



What's Inside

Garrison news
pages 2, 3

Speak Out: The Outlook asks Ederle retirees what they plan to do after retirement

Looking for a flexible job? Want to work from home? Consider FCC care

School, child care service locations adjust as Villaggio construction nears completion

Community Camera page 4

A snapshot of events making the news in and around the U.S. military community in Vicenza.

Highlights include Third Culture Kids, USO opening, 2010 Eggstravaganza

USARAF news page 5

Ederle civilian takes top prizes in Army's digital photography contest



Community events pages 6 & 7

OUT & ABOUT: A listing of local concerts, festivals and events

Movie Schedule

Sports page 8

USAG Vicenza HHC hosts Family PT

Youth Services seeking coaches for girls Bantam softball team

Summer Hire program taking applications through May 7

By ADRIANE FOSS
Outlook Editor

U.S. Army Europe family members ages 14-22 can once again apply for employment in this year's Summer Hire program.

Applications are being accepted online through May 7 for jobs in the clerical, labor and child development fields.

In addition to preparing for future education and career goals, youth will earn \$5.50 an hour, according to Gayle Richard, the employment services team lead with the Vicenza Civilian Personnel Advisory Center.

Richard said last year the installation was able to provide 73 summer hire jobs to local youth, and she's encouraging all community

youth to apply this year.

"We're hoping to once again be able to hire everyone who applies and is eligible," she said. "This is a great opportunity to gain valuable work experience."

Program requirements are as follows:

■ Applicants must be 14 by June 21, the official start date of the program, and cannot reach their 23rd birthday before July 30, the last day of the program.

■ Be an unmarried family member of an active military member or DoD civilian.

■ Only U.S. citizens may apply. Family member youth who hold dual citizenship (American and Italian) are not eligible.

■ For Child and Youth Services positions,

See **APPLY ONLINE** Page 3



A summer hire student works at the MWR office. More than 70 jobs were offered to Caserma Ederle youth in 2009. (File photo)



Photo by Barbara Romano, JMTC Photo Lab

Star recognition: USAREUR Commander Gen. Carter Ham presents commander's coins for excellence to Sgt. Raul Beltran, Headquarters Support Company, U.S. Army Africa; Maresciallo Capo Daniele Rizzo, USASETAF HQ, DCS Office, Italian Army; and USARAF Command Information Chief Ed Johnson during an April 1 visit to Caserma Ederle. Ham also presented Deputy Garrison Commander James Walls, accepting on behalf of the South of the Alps Dining Facility staff, with the USAREUR / IMCOM Phillip A. Connelly Award for Food Service Excellence during his visit.

Secure myPay info with new login ID, password

DFAS news release

Defense Finance and Accounting Service officials are urging myPay users to keep their information secure by establishing new login IDs and passwords, if they have not already done so.

The request is in response to a November enhancement that allows DFAS to counter identity theft attempts by some malware (e.g. key-logging programs that record entries made via keyboard and send that information to others).

The agency has posted step-by-step instructions in both text and video at the myPay site (<https://mypay.dfas.mil/mypay.aspx>)

and its public Web site (www.dfas.mil) to help customers set up their new information. Currently, 82 percent of myPay accounts have been updated with new login information.

"While some might view 82 percent as a positive, I'm concerned that some of our customers don't appreciate what myPay provides," said DFAS Principal Deputy Director Richard Gustafson. "We want to provide a tool for our customers that is both useful and gives them a feeling of confidence that their information is protected."

"We want to help our customers become educated customers, to partner with us to

make sure all aspects of their pay – from what they are due to how it is delivered – are as accurate as possible," he said.

A year after the Defense Finance and Accounting Service first launched the myPay Web-based pay account system in 2000, less than 500,000 military, military retirees, annuitants and federal civilian employees were listed as online users.

Today that number has increased to approximately 3.7 million users with access to pay account information, tax statements and the ability to update their bank, personal and allotment information instantly and, most importantly, securely.

Visit mypay.dfas.mil/mypay.aspx.

Family Child Care seeking providers FCC way to make money, work from comfort of home

By SAMANTHA SMITH
Contributing Writer

If you're seeking a flexible job, you like kids and want to work from the comfort of your own home, becoming a Family Child Care provider might be for you.

According to FCC Director Gail Penrod, providers work at their homes in Villaggio and maintain a small group environment for up to six children at a time.

"Many people don't know that FCC

providers have the same training, fees and hours as the Child Development Center," said Penrod.

In fact, nearly everything is identical, including the program and curriculum, she said. Currently there are three providers in Villaggio at full capacity and with upcoming PCS moves, Penrod said there is a need for more. Registration and required training is provided by the FCC.

"I love it," said Cassandra NightThunder, an FCC provider since October. "It keeps me busy and I get to help my kids learn."

Although earnings ebb and flow with the seasons and deployment, Penrod said there is the potential to make a good monthly salary. In addition to child care fees, providers can earn subsidies from the FCC office to increase their income.

Another perk for FCC providers is that the income is considered "foreign earned income" and therefore tax-free, said Penrod. To find out more about becoming a FCC provider, call Penrod at 634-7615. Parents seeking a FCC home provider can visit Parent Central Services at Davis Hall or call 634-7206.

To find out more about becoming a FCC provider, call Gail Penrod at 634-7615.

Parents seeking a FCC home provider can visit Parent Central Services at ACS' Davis Hall or call 634-7206.

School, child care services adjust as construction closes

Everywhere you look, construction projects are in various stages of completion, including the much anticipated Child Development Center/School Age Center in Villaggio.

Construction in the Villaggio Housing Area is part of a larger project that will ultimately include the new elementary, middle and high school as well as a new youth center.

This site was the only location able to accommodate such a large-scale project. The new facility, scheduled to open its doors Aug. 30, will accommodate a maximum of 198 children, ages 6 weeks to 5 years, and

150 school-age children, grades first through fifth in a state-of-the-art \$11 million facility. What does this mean to parents and children? Child care spaces.

The current School Age Center program, Bldg. 308, will move to the Villaggio facility, which is located adjacent to the new elementary school. The oldest CDC facility, Bldg. 395, on Caserma Ederle will close.

CDC Bldg. 398 (located across from the track on Caserma Ederle) will remain operational, providing hourly care, part-day programs, part-time programs, Strong Beginnings, and other specialty programs including

Parent Nights Out, Family Readiness Group care and Saturday openings.

These programs were designed to remain on Caserma Ederle due to the convenient location near the health clinic, fitness center, U.S. shopping facilities and other on-post activities frequented by parents.

CDC Villaggio will offer full-day programs, before and after kindergarten care and before and after Sure Start care.

For some, driving to Villaggio may seem like an inconvenience at first, but with a significant increase in population just around the corner, these new facilities will provide increased

access to child care. Operating hours will be adjusted to accommodate the increase in travel time.

It has been said that the only constant is change. This is certainly true as we continue to strive to improve the quality of life for families in the Vicenza military community.

If you have questions about where your child will receive services, check with your Child, Youth and School Services program.

TAMARA BROWNING
Program Operations Specialist
FMWR, CYS Services
USAG Vicenza

Speak Out

The Outlook salutes Ederle retirees, and asks...

What are your post-retirement plans?



Vittorio De Boni
14th Transportation
LSC-S

"Walking in the mountains, picking mushrooms, cooking, traveling and working in support of Alpini and other local groups."



Roberto Campanaro
Housing Office

"To name a few: helping others, photography, traveling, studying history, visiting relatives and friends, writing the family roots, hiking and reading. I guess I'll have to continue to get up early."



Gianni Consolaro
509th Signal Battalion

"Spend time in my house and on the garden, perform voluntary service in my country and travel around the world."



Carla Ferrari
CPAC

"My plans are to travel, read and volunteer."



Giorgio Lovato
Postal Service Center

"Dedicate myself to being a private property manager and volunteering on my family's farm, raising grapes for wine."



Dario Zanotto
Directorate of Logistics

"Volunteering for the Red Cross and enjoying hunting and fishing."

You're invited: The community is welcome to attend USAG Vicenza's quarterly retirement ceremony April 15 at 3 p.m. in the post theater. The event will honor the service and sacrifices made by Caserma Ederle's retiring personnel and their families.

Apply online for youth summer jobs

continued from Page 1

applicants must be at least 16.

To apply, submit an automated resume at <https://lnjobs.army.mil/sh/staffing/summerhire/>.

Richard also suggested applicants check out the Summer Hire Job Kit at https://lnjobs.army.mil/sh/staffing/summerhire/sh_job_kit.asp and <https://cpolrhp.belvoir.army.mil/eur/>

[employment/index.htm](#) for detailed instructions on how to apply.

In addition to applying online, applicants must also submit a hard-copy of their packet to the Vicenza CPAC Office, located at Viale Della Pace 262-off post and across the street from the chapel gate.

"In-processing packets have to be completed and turned in to the CPAC

Office within eight days after you submit your resume or no later than eight days after the closing of the vacancy announcement," said Richard. "Applications without in-processing packages at CPAC by the May 7 deadline will not be considered a valid application."

She said the only exception to the deadline is if an eligible family members

relocates with their sponsor to Europe after May 7, but prior to the June 21 start of the program.

"These resumes will be handled on a case-by-case basis," she noted.

For more information, call Richard at 634-7371 or Gaetano Valente at DSN 634-6589, or visit https://lnjobs.army.mil/sh/staffing/summerhire/sh_job_kit.asp.

Varying levels of Exchange support available to entire military community

AAFES news release

Bring a contractor, family member, Department of Defense civilian or other visitor onto Caserma Ederle and the first words out of their mouth typically are, "who can shop the exchange?"

While authorizations governing who can buy merchandise and services at the PX often apply to a chosen few, the doors to AAFES' fast food and convenience stores, including the Burger King, Foodcourt and the Shoppette's Snack Avenue, are open to virtually anyone looking for a quick bite to eat.

In fact, DoD policy allows all federal government employees, and even installation visitors, to dine at AAFES restaurants as long as their orders are consumed on the installation.

Furthermore, anyone can purchase single-serve consumables from a Shoppette, an option that is especially valuable late at night considering the Shoppette is open from 6 a.m. to midnight.

"The 'Snack Avenue' inside most AAFES Shoppettes offers a robust selection of single-serve consumables," said Shoppette manager Cindy Brown.

"Candy bars, soft drinks and even hot dogs can be picked up by just about anyone with business on the installation," said Brown.

Exchange service authorization begins with the House Armed Services Committee and ultimately ends with the Caserma Ederle commander.

The guidelines, as prescribed by Army Regulation 215-8/Air Force Instruction 34-211 (I) (http://www.army.mil/usapa/epubs/pdf/r215_8.pdf) and the Armed Services Exchange Regulations, Department of Defense Instruction 1330.21 (<http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/pdf/133021p.pdf>), require proper identification of authorized customers, including uniformed personnel and members of the Reserve Components and family members, applicable DoD civilians, exchange associates, retirees and their dependents who possess a basic exchange purchase privilege authorization card.

Anyone who believes they may qualify for exchange benefits, including access to the main PX, can contact Michelle Mackey or Julie Neil at 634-7796 for additional guidance as well as information regarding possible exceptions at Caserma Ederle.

Checks go high-tech at AAFES

AAFES news release

The check "float" at the BX/PX is going the way of rotary phones and dot matrix printers as AAFES converts to a paper check conversion system this year.

"PCC scans and instantly converts paper checks into electronic debits to the check writer's account," said Chief Financial Officer Harold Lavender.

"This technology has been operational in contingency locations for roughly ten years now and commercial industry for about five; it's an extremely efficient system," he said.

Rollout of the PCC program began in CONUS locations March 7 and will be implemented in all facilities by June 6.

Concurrent rollouts of Pacific and European exchanges began this month with complete implementation expected by June 6.

Volunteer Spotlight

Veteran giving back to military community as installation volunteer

By SASHA SIBILLA

Outlook contributor

Mary Anderson is not your average volunteer. She served as an active duty Soldier for 10 years and has lived in Vicenza for five and a half years. She currently volunteers 20-30 hours per week as a Girl Scouts cadet leader, PWOC Thrive instructor and ACS Army Family Team Building instructor.

She volunteers for many reasons: "I began volunteering after 10 years in the Army because I wanted to teach civilians about military life,"

said Anderson. "I fell in love with volunteering from that point on. I am involved in Girl Scouts because I can be a mentor to girls and hang out with my own daughter. I teach the Thrive group to help spouses through the deployment time since I have that experience" says Anderson.

Mary Anderson also encourages Soldiers to volunteer.

"Volunteer because it will help you adjust to the transition from military to civilian life," she said. "It can give you valuable work experience and can earn you a high level award."

To join Vicenza's Army Volunteer Corps or for information, call 634-7942 or visit www.myarmyonesource.com.



Mary Anderson shares her Army knowledge.

The Outlook

April 8, 2010 Vol. 43, Issue 14

U.S. Army Africa Commander
Maj. Gen. William B. Garrett III

USAG Vicenza Commander
and Publisher
Col. Erik Daiga

USAG Vicenza
Public Affairs Officer
Jon Fleshman

Editor
Adriane Foss

Photojournalist
Laura Kreider

The Outlook is an unofficial publication authorized and provided by AR 360-1.

All editorial content of The Outlook is prepared, edited, provided and approved by the U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza Public Affairs Office in building 3, room 101, on Caserma Ederle in Vicenza, Italy. Telephone DSN 634-6363, off post at 0444-71-7000 or e-mail: DL.USAG.Vicenza

Outlook Editor

The Outlook is published weekly by the USAG Vicenza PAO, Unit 31401, Box 10, APO AE 09630. It is printed by Centro Stampa Editoriale SRL, Grignano (VI) 0444-414-303.

Editorial publication is an authorized section for members of the U.S. Army overseas. Contents of The Outlook are not necessarily the official views of, or endorsed by, the U.S. government, Department of Defense, Department of the Army, Installation Management Command-Europe, U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza or the U.S. Army Southern European Task Force.

Submissions: Send all submissions for publication to editor@eur.army.mil. Submissions should be made via e-mail and must be received by Monday at noon for that week's publication.

The editor reserves the right to edit all submissions for style, brevity and clarity. Circulation is 3,000 per week.

At your service

DPTMS support



Lisa Foote is the management and program analyst for the Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization, and Security (DPTMS).

She serves as an analyst and advisor for the efficiency and effectiveness of DPTMS.

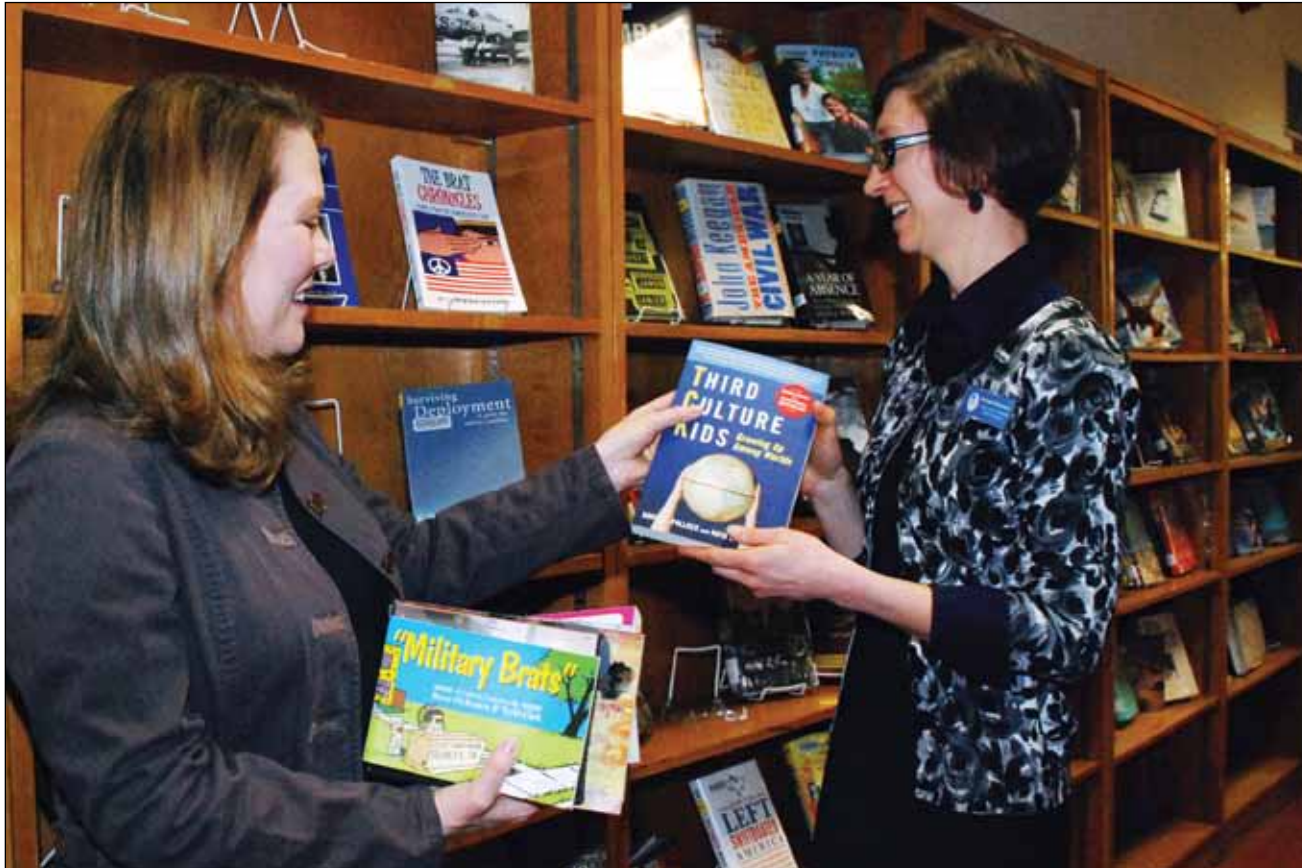
"I review all suspense actions, correspondence, personnel actions, budget work, and records," said Foote. "I'm proud to be part of a team that focuses so much on the well-being of our Soldiers and their families."

Foote is located in the garrison headquarters, Bldg. 109, on the second floor Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

She can be reached at 634-5166 or lisa.foote@eur.army.mil.

Community Camera

A snapshot of events making news in and around the U.S. military community in Vicenza...



Third Culture Kids:

Donna Musil, writer, director and producer of the documentary *Brats, Our Journey Home* (left) presents a collection of books and material on Third Culture Kids to Vicenza librarian Michelle Krewson at the post library March 24. Third Culture Kids refers to someone who, as a child, “spent a significant period of time in one or more culture(s) other than his or her own, integrating elements of those cultures and their own birth culture, into a third culture.” A two-day, garrison-wide cooperative training called “The Army Family Covenant with Third Culture Kids” included guest trainers Paulette M. Bethel, Ph. D., and Musil, both of whom met with directorate reps, parents and community members. The goal was to equip the community to incorporate Third Culture Kid thinking into future programs and initiatives. *Brats* is a seven-year work by Musil, an Army brat herself who moved 12 times in 16 years. Musil said she one day discovered her Taegu Korean high school Web site after a reunion in Washington, D.C. and realized for the first time that she “belonged” somewhere. The garrison training event sponsors included Family Advocacy Program, Vicenza Community Club and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8862. The *Brats* DVD and Third Culture-related books are available at the library.

Photo by Laura Kreider



Photo by Laura Kreider

Home again: USO Vicenza celebrated its reopening April 1 after closing its doors for renovations in February. During the closure, the center underwent a deep clean, inventory, had its furniture reupholstered and a popcorn machine and surround sound system installed. “The renovation and organization was necessary to ensure we are serving our troops and community to the best of our ability,” said Torie Gotaas, assistant center manager. “Our center exists to provide a home-away-from home and we needed to make sure we’re running a five-star facility. The USO hosts weekly food programs, provides free phone calls home, Internet and Wi-fi, courtesy of monthly TKS donations.” The center’s kitchen and barbecues are also available for use.



Photo by Laura Kreider

My perspective: Members of an Italian youth dance troupe, Free Harmony Dance of Bolzano Vicentino, perform a number from the Italian musical “Il Gobbo di Notre-Dame” during a presentation at Soldiers’ Theatre April 1. The performance was based on world history events from 1920 to the present and from an Italian perspective. American references included the landing of a man on the moon, musicals, pop king Michael Jackson, the bombing of Hiroshima and 9/11. The 30 youth, ages 10-18, performed folk, ballet, modern and hip-hop. The troupe’s director and choreographer were presented a commander’s coin and certificate by Deputy Garrison Commander James Walls after the performance.



Photos by Laura Kreider

Eggs-cellent craftwork: Children enjoy crafts activities before participating in Caserma Ederle’s annual Easter egg hunt during Eggstravaganza festivities Saturday. Hundreds of children and parents crowded the North 40 sports field to participate in the day’s activities, which included face painting and a Bunny bouncy house. Children took pictures with the Easter Bunny. (At right) Staff Sgt. Wilmer Aguilar poses with his 2-year-old daughter Hadasah.



Paint me pretty : Sarah Ray, 3, sits patiently as an artist gives her a bunny face during the installation’s 2010 Eggstravaganza Saturday. The children also enjoyed games, crafts, music and food.

Army civilian snaps up top prizes in Army digital photo contest

By RICK SCAVETTA
U.S. Army Africa

When it comes to taking photos, Ed Johnson is a shutterbug while on the clock and off duty.

Johnson's personal photos were recently judged the best among thousands of shots entered into the Army's 2009 digital photography contest, one of several annual competitions run by the Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Command.

Johnson, U.S. Army Africa's chief of command information, entered 17 photographs in all. Of that, five of Johnson's shots won awards, to include first place in two color photo categories – one a "Military Life" photo titled "Parade Rest" that featured uniformed Korean troops and an "MWR Fun," snap of a parasailing excursion titled "Come Fly With Me".

Johnson took second place in the object category for color photos for a photo called "Birds of a Feather," and plus two third place prizes for a color shot of a soccer match and a monochrome photo called "Pacific Pop Fly," featuring a boy catching a baseball by the seashore.

Johnson came to U.S. Army Africa in mid-2009, where he created the command's successful online media center, which includes U.S. Army Africa's official Web site and several social media sources.

Photography has been a hobby for Johnson for many years. Many of his shots are inspired by his family as they travel the globe to often exotic locations. Recently, Johnson has focused his lens on carnival masks in Venice.

"With his background in graphics and marketing, Ed's photo sense has greatly contributed to U.S. Army Africa's imagery online," said Lt. Col. David Konop, U.S. Army Africa's public affairs officer. "But, we're also very proud to see his personal photography recognized at the Army level."

Photo competitions are nothing new to Johnson, who has also won accolades in years past, said Linda Ezernieks, Arts and Auto Program Manager for the FMWR

Command.

Each year the contest showcases the photographic talents of Soldiers, Army civilians and family members.

In 2009 more than 2,600 entries were submitted from participants at Army installations across the globe and from Soldiers in deployed locations. An upcoming competition is geared toward arts and crafts.

One contest judge and professional photographer, Gary Lott, said "Overall, there were lots of great images submitted. It was obvious that many have a keen eye for the elements that go into making a great image."

To view Johnson's work and learn more about upcoming Army Arts and Crafts competitions, go to <https://artscrafts.fmwrc.army.mil>.



Ed Johnson took second place in the object category for color photos for "Birds of a Feather".



Five of Ed Johnson's shots won awards, including first place in two color photo categories – one an "MWR Fun" photo of a parasailing excursion titled "Come Fly With Me" and (below) a "Military Life" photo titled "Parade Rest" that featured uniformed Korean troops.



With his background in graphics and marketing, Ed's photo sense has greatly contributed to U.S. Army Africa's imagery online. But we're also very proud to see his personal photography recognized at the Army level.

Lt. Col. David Konop
USARAF PAO

Darby Dates

Bingo night

Come to Bingo at the DCC April 16. First game begins at 6:30 p.m. Call 633-7855 for details.

ITR trips

ITR's upcoming trips include:

Venice Tuesday
Cinque Terre Wednesday
Rome April 15
Wine Tasting April 16
Florence April 17

Call ITR for more information at 633-7589

Sponsorship training

Learn what it takes to ensure you provide a smooth transition to Camp Darby on Tuesday.

Call ACS for more information at 633-7084.

Investment Club

Learn what it takes to get the most out of your investing on Tuesday.

Call ACS for more information at 633-7084.

Smooth move

Learn what it takes to have a stress-free move from Camp Darby Wednesday.

Call ACS for more information at 633-7084

Debt liquidation

Getting out of debt is like losing weight—it takes time, discipline and encouragement from others. Come in April 15 and we will help you.

Call ACS for more information at 633-7084

Camp Darby religious activities

For details, call the chapel at 633-7267 (050-54-7267).

9:40 a.m.: Catholic Reconciliation

10 a.m.: Catholic Mass

11:15 a.m.: Protestant worship

10 a.m.: Protestant Sunday school

11:15 a.m.: Catholic CCD

Christian Men's Bible study is every Thursday at 5 p.m. in Mertz Hall at the Darby Chapel.

Protestant Women of the Chapel Bible study meets Tuesday from noon to 1 p.m. and Wednesdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Choir practice is at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday before Mass.

* The chapel is collecting cardboard, robes, children's plastic swimming pools and cardboard rolls from paper towels and toilet paper.



Courtesy photos

In a land far, far away:

Come and spend a day with Hansel and Gretel, Asterix and Obelix, Pinocchio, Snow White and more of your childhood favorites at the Castello di Bevilacqua in nearby Bevilacqua, Via Roma 50, 33 miles south of Vicenza. The Fairy Tales Castle opens Sunday at 10:30. Free admission. The Bevilacqua castle dates back to the 14th century. Its medieval structure has been meticulously maintained and restored and is open to visitors year-round. It is available for overnight stays, buffets, banquets and other special events. Visit http://www.icastelli.net/location-1022-1-castello_di_bevilacqua.html.

Local festivals & shows

Palladio Sound Touring: Visit the main works of Andrea Palladio by renting an MP3 at the Vicenza Tourist Information Office, Piazza Matteotti 12, next to the Olympic Theater. The cost is 3 euro per day. You'll have to leave a state driver's license there and return the MP3 by 6 p.m. Two routes are available: a blue route to visit Vicenza's historical center (Olympic Theater, Chiericati Palace, Casa Cogollo, Santa Corona Church, Garzadori Altar, Leoni Montanari Palace, Thiene Palace, Piazza dei Signori, Corso Palladio) and a yellow route to visit the Palladian villas and Bassano del Grappa (Villa Caldogno, Villa Godi Malinverni, Marostica, Alpini Bridge in Bassano del Grappa, La Rotonda, Villa Cordellina Lombardi).

Octave of Easter Festival: Sunday in Villa Godi Malinverni, Lugo, Villa Palladio 44, about 17 miles north of Vicenza. 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Show and sale of local products, and food.

Spring Festival: Sunday at the Recoaro Terme, historical center, about 34 miles northwest of Vicenza. Stores open all day long. Food booths and entertainment.

Flower Festival: Sunday in Noale, about 40 miles east of Vicenza. Flower exhibit and market, patio and garden furniture sale, live music and entertainment.

Hunting and Fish Festival: Sunday from 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Malo, Via Molinetto, about 20 miles northwest of Vicenza. Dog shows, bird-singing contest, falconers show, local products exhibitions. Admission is 3 euro and free for children under 13.

Bell'Italia-Italian food and wine exhibit and sale: Saturday 5-10 p.m. and Sunday 9 a.m.-8 p.m. in Bassano del Grappa, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza.

Jacopo Bassano and the Wonderful Optical Illusion Exhibition: ongoing through June 13, open daily 9 a.m.-7 p.m. in Bassano del Grappa, Museo Civico, Piazza Garibaldi 4, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza. The exhibition is a series of tributes to 16th Jacopo Bassano marking 500 years since his birth. Admission is 9 euro or 7.50 for children 10-18 and seniors over 60. To buy tickets online, visit <http://www.teleart.org/start/inizio.php?idSito=401>.

ECOS-Ecology, environment and alternative energy fair: Friday-Monday in Mussolente, Via Pavane 3, about 25 miles northeast of Vicenza. Friday and Monday 5-10 p.m.; Saturday 3-9 p.m.; Sunday 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Entry is 5 euro and free for children under 4.

Modern and Contemporary Art Fair: Saturday-Sunday in Pordenone, Viale Treviso 1, 92 miles northeast of Vicenza. Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Monday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Admission is 8 euro; 5 euro for children ages 11-14; free for children under 11. Exhibit includes paintings, sculptures, graphics, photography, metalwork, fabrics, ceramics, glass, jewelry, folk art, antiques, art supplies, decorations, Christmas ornaments, hand woven carpets and more.

Free guided visits in Vicenza, Sunday:

- The hidden 18th century treasures, at Palazzo Arnaldi della Torre, Contrà Santi Apostoli, 10 a.m.-noon

- The first factory-house: Palazzo Franceschini Folco, Contrà San Marco, 3-5 p.m.

Maximum 20 persons per group. Reserve your free guided visit by calling 0444-544122.

Spring colors and flavors: Saturday and Sunday, in Monselice, about 42 miles south of Vicenza. Bouncy houses and entertainment for children and adults.

Saturday:

- Wine and food itineraries, in Piazza Vittoria, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

- Food booths featuring typical local products, in Piazza Mazzini, 3-9 p.m.

Sunday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

- Wine and food itineraries, in Piazza Vittoria.

- Old trades workshops, Via Tortorini.

- Artistic Handcraft Exhibit, Via Cesare Battisti.

- Flavors market - typical local products exhibit and sale.

- Flower market and food booths, Piazza Mazzini.

- Free guided visits to San Paolo Museum, Sanctuary Road, and City Tower, departing at 3 p.m. from Piazza Mazzini

The Odeon Theater in Vicenza, Corso Palladio 176, features movies in English through the winter. *An Education* shows Monday at 5, 7 and 9 p.m. Tickets cost 6 euro. Visit www.mymovies.it/cinema/vicenza/6217/.

Antique market: Sunday, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., in Vicenza, Piazza dei Signori, Piazza Garibaldi, Piazza Duomo, and Piazza Castello.

Free local events

12th Ceramic Eggs exhibition: through Sunday in Nove, Museum of Ceramics, Piazza De Fabris 5, about 18 miles north of Vicenza. Open Saturday at 11:30 a.m.;

The museum is open Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m.-noon and 3-7 p.m.

Each year Nove celebrates Easter with an exhibition of Ceramic Eggs made by Italian pottery artists.

Dance show: Saturday from 5-8 p.m. in Vicenza, Piazza dei Signori.

Conservatory students in concert: Saturday, 5 p.m., in Vicenza's S. Chiara Chapel, Contrà Santa Chiara.

Spring Concert gospel and jazz live music: Saturday at 9 p.m., in Costabissara's Verdi Theatre, Via G. Mazzini, about seven miles northwest of Vicenza.

Sabora a caffè colombiano: una noche para compartir concerto con los chinguios: Saturday, 8:30 p.m. in Polegge's Equobar, Via Marosticana 350. Colombian coffee, music and videos, about four miles north of Vicenza.

Live 60's, 70's, 80's and 90's music with Onda Quadra: Saturday at 9 p.m. in the Sovizzo Auditorium, Via Alfieri, about seven miles west of Vicenza.

Red Tango: Sunday at 10 p.m. in Marostica at the Panic Jazz Club, Piazza degli Scacchi, about 18 miles north of Vicenza.

Explore the sky at the astronomical observatory in Arcugnano Tuesday at 8:30 p.m., Via S. Giustina 127, about five miles south of Vicenza. View the sky and the planets in great detail with the observatory telescope.

Concerts

Ian Paice & Tolo Marton: Thursday in Padova, Gran Teatro.

Foreigner: April 11 in Milan, Alcatraz Club.

Alicia Keys: May 2 in Verona

Whitney Houston: May 3 in Milan, Assago, Mediolanum Forum; May 4 in Rome.

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

ODR trips

Head to **Medieval Times** for dinner and show Saturday. Check out other trips in ODR's spring and summer schedule available at VicenzaMWR.com. To enroll for a trip or class, select "Vicenza" under "Recreation and Morale Activities" or, visit <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/Vicenzarectrac.html>.

Now Showing



Ederle Theater

Thursday	Legion (R)	6 p.m.
Friday	The Lovely Bones (PG-13)	6 p.m.
	Edge of Darkness (R)	9 p.m.
Saturday	The Tooth Fairy (PG)	3 p.m.
	Clash of the Titans ()	6 p.m.
Sunday	The Tooth Fairy (PG)	3 p.m.
	Clash of the Titans ()	6 p.m.
Wed.	The Lovely Bones (PG-13)	6 p.m.
April 15	Edge of Darkness (R)	6 p.m.

Camp Darby Theater

Friday	The Bounty Hunter (PG-13)	6 p.m.
Saturday	The Lovely Bones (PG-13)	6 p.m.
Sunday	The Tooth Fairy (PG)	1 p.m.
April 15	The Wolfman (R)	6 p.m.

Admission: Age 12 and up \$4, under 12, \$2.

The Ederle theater box office opens one hour prior to show.

View **MOVIE TRAILERS** and the schedule online at <http://www.aafes.com/ems/euro/vicenza.htm> or <http://www.aafes.com/ems/euro/livorno.htm>.

Looking to buy or sell items? Check out MWR's Marketplace at www.mwrmarketplace.com.

Tricare and health care reform: get educated

To learn more about the recently signed Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, signed March 23 by President Obama, and TRICARE benefits, beneficiaries can visit <http://www.tricare.mil>. Also, the Army Surgeon General's blog at www.armymedicine.army.mil has a March 26 post that discusses health care reform.

Spring clean-up

The garrison's annual spring clean-up takes place at 9 a.m. April 22 on the installation and in the housing areas and other military controlled areas in celebration of Earth Day.

Get the details, let us explain PFCC to you

The Vicenza Health Center's Patient and Family Centered Care kickoff took place March 23 at ACS. If you would like to know how to be part of this process or if you would like to have a clinic representative speak about Patient and Family Centered Care during an FRG meeting, call 634-7952.

At your USO

USO Vicenza, Bldg. 9A-Warrior Transition Unit, invites you to B.Y.O.S. Friday Night Grill-Outs every Friday night at 5:05 p.m., weather permitting. Bring your own steak or meat of choice. USO will provide sides and beverages. Donations are accepted. Call 634-7156 for information.

UMUC job opening

There is a job opening for UMUC as National Testing Center administrator in Vicenza. This is a part-time position that would require a minimum of 30 hours per week. The NTC administrator would proctor exams, maintain the computer lab system and monitor lab usage. For information or to apply, call 634-7055 or e-mail edhrjobs@ed.umuc.edu.

Days of Remembrance

Days of Remembrance, honoring the millions of people displaced and killed during the Holocaust, will be observed Sunday to April 18.

Tuesday: Moment of Silence at 9:30 a.m.

April 16: Self-paced walk-through Holocaust display from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the post theater. Static displays will also be posted around base throughout the week.

April 16: Special presentations on the personal responsibility of individuals who witness crimes against humanity from 10-11 a.m. and 2-3 p.m. at the post theater.

Send free Mother's Day message in Stripes

Stars and Stripes is hosting its annual free Mother's Day message posting service online.

Greetings uploaded by the April 19 deadline will be printed in the European, Pacific or Middle East editions of Stars and Stripes May 9, Mother's Day. Messages will also be available online at Stripes.com for viewing as they are uploaded.

Visit Stripes.com and click on the "Mother's Day" button on the top right.

At the Arena

Weekday bowling special offered for \$2 per game and \$1.75 for shoe rental through April 30.

Every Tuesday bowl for a "Penny a Pin." New to bowling? Shoes are \$1.75 and you will pay a penny per pin on your final score. So if your score is 110 a frame you will pay \$1.10 for that game. Come out Tuesdays in April, 5-10 p.m.

Ladies Movie Night at the Lion's Den Tuesday, 6-8 p.m. Enjoy the latest video release reel on the big screen. Contact CYSS for child care.

VCC flea market

The Vicenza Community Club is hosting a community flea market April 24, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Ederle Inn parking lot. Inclement weather site is the teen center gym.

Sign up through April 21 to set up and sell. Cost is \$15 per lined parking spot (or equivalent in the teen center). Contact Maureen Crone at mocrone@alice.it or 347-696-9243.

Fun events slated for Military Child Month

April is Month of the Military Child and Child Abuse Prevention Month. Many events are planned for the month and most are free. Visit the MWR.com community calendar for complete listing. The upcoming week's events include:

- Community Quilt event Saturday
- Teen Center Trip to Paris April 11-16
- Family Advocacy Program Ice Cream Contest April 14
- Family Art Day April 17

Visit the community calendar at VicenzaMWR.com for a complete listing.

For information call or visit CYSS Parent Central Services, Davis Hall, 634 7206.

April book club

The book club will discuss The Lovely Bones by best selling author Alice Sebold April 22 and 25.

The morning session begins at 10:30 a.m.; the afternoon session begins at 5:30 p.m. at the library.

Call 634-7500 or e-mail Caitlin.beauchamp@eur.army.mil for info.

Estate claims

Anyone having any claims on or obligations to the estate of Pvt. Nicholas S. Cook of B. Company, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry, should contact the summary courts martial officer, 2nd Lt. Steven J. Swanson at DSN 634-7065.

MOMS Club events

- Tuesday: 10 a.m. Toddler Playgroup
- April 15: Park Playdate 4 p.m.
- April 16: 10 a.m. Walk the Track, MOMS Night Out 7 p.m.
- April 19: Book Club 10:30 a.m.
- April 21: Pre-school Playgroup 4 p.m.
- April 23: Walk the Track 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Infant Playgroup
- April 26: Monthly Meeting 10 a.m.
- April 27: 10 a.m. Toddler Playgroup
- April 28: 9 a.m. Zoo Trip
- April 30: Out and About 9:30 a.m., 10 a.m. Walk the Track

Parents Night Out

Parents Night Out is April 16. Make reservations before Friday by calling 634-7219.

Lunch Bistro

Lunch Bistro at ACS Wednesday from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Join us for a free lunch as we explore a wide range of topics and build lasting bonds in our community.

Family ice cream making contest

A Family Ice Cream Making Contest is set Wednesday, 2-4 p.m. The FAP event encourages communication and team work. Prizes will be given. Call 634-7500.

Art center

Be a part of creating a community quilt that will be displayed for all to see.

Each child will decorate an individualized fabric square and later see it on a full size quilt that will be put together by local quilter Gail Penrod. The free event is Saturday from 1:30-5:30 p.m.

Teddy Bear project

Community members who would like to donate new or gently used teddy bears or other stuffed animals can drop them off through April at boxes located at various sites around post, including the Tax Relief Office, Davis Hall, library, hourly CDC, health center, dental clinic, post chapel, commissary, shoppette, gym and PX.

The Teddy Bear community service project, courtesy of Junior Girl Scout Troop 35, collects, cleans and gives the stuffed animals to the military police. The MPs then give the animals to children in emergencies to comfort them.

For more information, call Anna Sepanic at 327-573-8620.

Got issues?

SAC wants to know

The next VES SAC meeting is April 19 at 3:30 p.m. in the VES conference room. Submit any issues you want to discuss to sac.vicenzaelementary@yahoo.com.

Clinic closures

The USAG Vicenza Health Center will be closed Friday and Monday for the USAREUR training holidays. It will be open Saturday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Karaoke Saturdays

Be on the Arena's karaoke stage. Bring friends and amaze them with your singing talents Saturday nights at 8 p.m. Enjoy military drink specials all night.

AAFES job open, apply by Monday

AAFES is hiring an automotive worker for the Vicenza Car Care Center. Category: Intermittent; base hourly rate: \$10.94. Position closes Monday.

Scholarships available

Scholarship information is available at:

- www.campuschamps.com
- www.fastweb.com
- www.students.gov
- www.ncaa.org

Volunteers invited to May luncheons

The community and youth volunteer recognition luncheons and ceremonies are scheduled May 5 and 11.

Volunteers who are registered at and have logged hours on www.myarmyonesource.com will be invited to the ceremony.

Religious activities

Chaplain Crisis Line

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

Sunday service schedule

8 a.m.: Sacrament of Reconciliation, or by appointment

9 a.m.: Roman Catholic Mass (Daily Mass is held weekdays at noon)

9 a.m.: Protestant Sunday school and AWANAs (September-May at Vicenza High School)

10:45 a.m.: Catholic religious education (September-May at Vicenza High School)

11 a.m.: Protestant worship

1:30 p.m.: Full Gospel Pentecostal worship

5 p.m.: Contemporary Christian service

Mondays

Noon: LDS scripture study

Tuesdays

9:15 a.m.: Protestant Women of the Chapel

Wednesdays

3 p.m.: Praise dance practice

3:30 p.m.: Middle School Club Beyond meets in VHS cafeteria September-May

5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice

5:30 p.m.: PWOC evening Bible study (beginning Sept. 8. Child care offered for children ages 6 weeks to 4 years.)

5:30 p.m.: High School Club Beyond meets at the Teen Center September-May. Call 340-139-4073 for information.

5:30 p.m.: Catholic choir practice

6:45 p.m.: Gospel choir practice

Thursdays

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

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

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

Faith group contacts

Islamic: Spc. Kasimov, 329-034-3511.

Jewish: Sandy Schoenberg at 634-6202 or sandy.schoenberg@eur.army.mil.

Latter Day Saints: Scripture study held Mondays, noon-1 p.m. at chapel. Sunday services, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. downtown. Call Sean Peterson at 335-821-9492.

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

Community Calendar Highlights

Friday: No School for Students

Friday-Monday: Training Holiday

Monday-April 16: Spring Break

April 16: Days of Remembrance Service at Post Theater

May 5: Community Volunteer Recognition Luncheon

Going once, going twice:

A community member raises her paddle and bids on a furniture item during a fundraising auction hosted by the Vicenza High School booster club March 27 in the school gym. The auction sales totaled \$71,000 and the booster club received about \$10,000, which will fund local scholarships and sports equipment for the high school teams; 130 bidders were registered.

Photo by Laura Kreider



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

Sports Shorts



Courtesy photo

All in the family: USAG Vicenza Headquarters and Headquarters Company Soldiers and family members pose for a group shot during Family PT at the multi-purpose sports field March 26. Soldiers and families played soccer during the early morning gathering. HHC Commander Capt. Jose Mendez said the unit plans to holding Family PT days when children are out of school to increase participation and camaraderie.



Girls rock sports:

Four female members of the Infernos Bantam (10-12) basketball team celebrate the last game of the season.

Community members can help ensure Vicenza girls can excel in sports by volunteering to coach for the current and upcoming seasons.

Youth Services is still seeking coaches for the girls Bantam softball team, ages 10-12.

Call Alex Ruiz or Nicole Fulbright at 634-6151 for more information. Coaches training is provided.

Courtesy photo

High school seeking track meet volunteers

Volunteers are needed for the Vicenza Track team meet.

The home meet is set for April 24 at Schio from 8:30 a.m. to approximately 3:15 p.m. No experience necessary.

E-mail susan.vanderbeek@eu.dodea.edu or call 634-7584 to sign up.

Schio is 20-30 minutes from Caserma Ederle. A map will be provided or you can follow the team bus to the location.

USARAF seeking Ten Miler members

Are you ready for the challenge? U.S. Army Africa is looking for runners for the USARAF Army-Ten Miler Team as part of the AUSA Conference to be held in D.C. Oct. 24.

If you are interested in trying out for the team, contact team captain and coach Sgt. Maj. Osvaldo Del Hoyo at 634-7093.

Anyone who is interested can show up at the North 40 sports field in front of the Arena Tuesday at 6:30 a.m. The team will go on a short, slow-pace run at this time. Tryouts are open for all active duty Soldiers only.

Volunteer with Mako Sharks swim team

Are you interested in working as a volunteer with the Mako Sharks swim team?

The Mako Sharks are looking for interested adults in the community who would like to become involved with a summer conditioning program or the fall competitive season.

Swimmers are ages 6 through high school and compete in the European Forces Swim League (EFSL).

Call 0444-91-2612 or e-mail john.j.casey@us.army.mil for info, and visit <http://makosharks.homestead.com/>.

Self defense classes

Self defense classes will be offered April 22 and 29, 4:15- 5 p.m. at the fitness center.

Call 634- 7500 or e-mail Caitlin.beauchamp@eur.army.mil to sign up.

Free spouses swim lessons available

Every Wednesday at the post pool there will be free swim lessons for military spouses. Class size is limited to six per lesson. Sign up no later than the Monday prior to class at the fitness center.

Call 634-7009 for more information.

Walk 4 Freedom: a 3,800 journey of fitness



Photo by Laura Kreider

Emily Ward, Vicenza Army Wellness Center, (left) registers a participant in Operation Walk 4 Freedom during the ACS Bistro Lunch at Davis Hall March 17. Walk 4 Freedom is an ongoing Wellness program that allows participants to track the distance they walk (in miles) to the Mideast Theater. The journey from Vicenza to the Mideast is 3,800 miles.

The program contributes to participants' overall wellness, including the five pillars (physical, social, emotional, family, and spiritual) of fitness outlined in the Army's Comprehensive Soldier Fitness Initiative. For more information on Walk 4 Freedom, call 634-8186 or CIV 0444-71-8186, or visit the Army Wellness Center, Bldg 112. Hours of operations are Monday-Friday from 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; closed from noon to 1 p.m. for lunch.

DODGE BALL Soldier League Standings

Team	Win	Loss	Game Scores
46th MP Po Po's	7	1	March 24
Cup Cakes	1	6	Health Clinic 3 vs. Po Po's 6
Lame Ducks	6	2	Lame Ducks 6 vs. Two tons of Irony 6
AFN Vicenza	2	1	March 25
Two Tons of Irony	1	5	Lame Ducks 0 vs. Po Po's 6
Health Clinic	2	5	Cup Cakes 6 vs. Two Tons of Irony 4
			March 31
			Health Clinic 3 vs. Po Po's 6
			Cup Cakes 2 vs. Lame Ducks 6
			April 1
			Health Clinic 6 vs. Po Po's 2

Two Tons of Irony has dropped from the league due to personnel obligations.