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Community members should plan accordingly as they may find many restaurants, shops and businesses closed throughout the month.

August is typically a month in which a large number of individuals and families in Italy close their businesses and take vacation.

Emergency call number changes

By ANNETTE FOURNIER

USAG Vicenza Public Affairs

Beginning Sunday, English-speakers in the province of Vicenza should call 118 from their cell or house phone, or 99-118 from on post, to contact the city's ambulance service, rather than calling the military police desk.

Within the Vicenza province, when a person calls 118 for emergency assistance, the operator will transfer the caller to an English speaker. Outside the Vicenza area,

People who live outside the province or who are traveling outside the area should call the 118 first, and if they don't receive an English speaker, they should call the military police at 800-064-077.

"Calling 118 would be the same option that foreign travelers would have in Italy, and it has proven to be successful," said Lt. Col. Randel Cassels, deputy commander for Nursing at the Vicenza Health Clinic.

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there may be no English speaker available. WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Three guestions patients need to answer when calling emergency services are:

- 1. The phone number (in case the line drops they can be re-contacted)
- 2. The address where the ambulance is required
- 3. The patient's name (will help in preparing and retrieving medical information from the SUEM database).

Secretary of Army visits Vicenza families

McHugh dines with spouses of deployed troops, tours new construction, USARAF, 173rd Rear D



Photo by Barbara Romano, 7th JMTC

U.S. Secretary of the Army John McHugh speaks with USARAF Commander Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg during McHugh's recent visit to Caserma Ederle.

By RICK SCAVETTA U.S. Army Africa

Visits with family members of deployed Soldiers and tours of new Army facilities were top priorities for the Secretary of the Army during his recent stop at Caserma Ederle.

The Honorable John McHugh spent two days last week visiting the garrison, headquarters for U.S. Army Africa, the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team and 14th Transportation Battalion.

Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg, commander of U.S. Army Africa, met McHugh upon his arrival. During a command briefing, Hogg explained U.S. Army Africa's ongoing mission to strengthen partnerships with land forces of countries within Africa, to foster security, stability and peace on the African continent.

"It's a work in progress," McHugh said. "This is the Army's newest command, working with our African partners."

In May, McHugh spoke to senior military leaders from Africa during the African Land Forces Summit in Virginia. There, he spoke

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Community asked to eye energy use, save dollars

By ADRIANE FOSS

Outlook Editor

Garrison officials are urging community members to think greener after a weeklong energy assessment and survey turned up a few areas for improvement.

"The goal of the survey was to determine what no-cost and low-cost things could be done to save energy," said Greg Vallery.

USAG Vicenza's \$8 million annual utility bill is the garrison's largest budget item, after payroll

chief of the garrison's Engineering Division. "The results were interesting in that many of our lights and manual systems are not being switched off when they are not needed."

Vallery said the surveyors found exterior lights that were left on during the day and air conditioning units that were left running at night.

Aside from payroll, utility costs are the garrison's single largest budget item with an annual price tag over \$8 million.

Vallery said for this reason, he hopes employees will waste no time becoming more energy conscious.

"All the small things we can do to save on energy will make a difference," said Vallery, "because the more money we save on our utility bill, the more we can put toward other things that benefit

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Installing bars on your windows is a great idea but thieves can gain entry by cutting the bars if there is enough space between the bar and outside of the home.

Courtesy photo

Precautions help prevent amateur home break-ins

USAG Vicenza Antiterrorism Office

Do you think your home is secure from break-ins?

That's a question every family should ask, according to USAG Vicenza's Antiterrorism Officer Carl Turner.

And although it's difficult to protect your home from professional thieves, Turner said most home burglaries in the Vicenza area are carried out by amateurs.

"Amateur thieves are more easily thwarted if you employ simple security precautions," he said.

Some precautions are as follows:

- An alarm system that is turned on
- Locking your home, even if you go out only for a short time.

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Community outreach: keeping the promise together

The nation during the past nine years of conflict.

The Army Community Covenant was launched in April and Family services.

AOS includes in

Their Families have been just as constant in their own dedicated service, providing the strength and support that enables Soldiers to do their jobs. Our Soldiers and Families persevere in their service to the nation in the face of repeated deployments and

even greater challenges.

It is heartening to know that we are not in this alone—our fellow citizens want to understand what we are experiencing and share a deep desire to support us where they can. Sometimes they simply do not know where to begin or how to $\overline{\text{Lt. Gen.}}$ make the connection to channel their Rick Lynch appreciation and support into action.



That is why reaching out to the communities around us is so vitally important.

Long-standing support

The Army has a long history of supportive relationships with surrounding communities. San Antonio, Texas, claims the title of Military City, USA, but many more communities could lay equal claim, their ties with the installations in their areas being as long-standing and deep-rooted.

Over the years the Army has also developed strong relationships with local, state and national organizations that provide a wide range of support for Soldiers and Families, including programs focused on health care, education, child development, employment, financial aid, and morale and recreation.

Now those relationships are more critical than ever. The Army cannot always offer the most comprehensive assistance for the number and kinds of challenges that our Soldiers and Families face.

This is especially true for National Guard, active Reserve and Active Component Soldiers and Families who live far from installations. The great need for support and the great demand on our resources require us to reach out to those who can help us keep our promise to Soldiers and Families.

A volunteer, a local service provider or a state or national organization may be able to offer expertise, material assistance, support services, or even just human contact that fills a critical need, especially for the Soldier or Family member who is not near an installation.

The support that communities and organizations give to Soldiers and Families has become so important that

To date, communities in 49 states, three territories and the District of Columbia have conducted more than 500 covenant signing ceremonies, pledging to find ways to enhance the quality of life for Soldiers and Families.

These ceremonies publicly recognize and celebrate the communities' commitments, but they are not an end in themselves. They are an important step in taking action to link support to specific Soldier and Family needs. The crucial first step is building relationships.

Effective community outreach is broader than a covenant. It begins with building strong, real relationships. Americans are inspired to offer their support when they learn more about military life and gain a deeper understanding of the personal challenges that Soldiers and Families experience.

It is crucial that Army leaders make every effort to get to know local leaders, to attend town halls, Chamber of Commerce meetings and other events, and to invite

local leaders and community members to attend events on post. Army leaders must be prepared to answer when local leaders ask, "How can we help?" Americans are generous and compassionate—if you let them know how they can help, they will.

I know from firsthand experience what the power of community support can do for Soldiers and their Families. One recent example is when I was the III Corps and Fort Hood commander and worked

to establish a Resiliency Campus, which gathers in one area a number of programs to support Soldiers' and Families' mental, spiritual and physical well-being.

As senior commander I was able to dedicate the space on post and ensure that infrastructure improvements were made, but it was the embrace of the community outside the gate, their contributions of materials, services and expertise, that made the campus a reality.

We have several valuable resources to help Soldiers and Families locate and access programs and services available to them. Army One Source, at www.myarmyonesource.com, is a single portal for information on a wide range of services, including housing, healthcare, employment, education, childcare

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AOS includes information on how to contact the nearest Army community support coordinator. Community support coordinators work to make connections between local resources and Soldiers and Families, especially for those who live far from an installation.

The Army Community Covenant website, at www. army.mil/community, has information on more than 600 national, state and local programs that offer education, employment, family, financial, survivor, wounded warrior and other kinds of support.

The website regularly adds information on new programs as we continue to build relationships with local, state and national organizations.

The site also has ideas and resources for Army leaders to reach out to the communities around them, and for community members and organizations who want to offer support.

All of these resources—the Army Community

Covenant resources, the community support coordinators, the advice and ideas of fellow leaders posted on www.garrisoncommand. com, and the expertise of professionals on installations help Army leaders build and strengthen relationships with communities and find innovative ways to take care of Soldiers and Families.

We have become more effective at our community outreach efforts in recent years, but our efforts meet with such

success because our communities are eager to meet us halfway. They readily and generously express their gratitude and support for our Soldiers and Families.

Our challenge is to meet them all the way, to clearly communicate our needs and facilitate their support for

The support and contributions from our communities will enable us to keep our promise to provide Soldiers and Families a quality of life commensurate with their

> **RICK LYNCH** Lieutenant General, USA Commander, IMCOM

Speak What is your favorite summer food or drink?



Ivette Puerto Family member

"My favorite dish is rice salad because it has fresh ingredients."

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Cynthia Davis Family member

"Favorite dish is watermelon and favorite drink is lemonade."



Janise (& daughter Jordan) Hunt Vicenza Dental Clinic

"A good salad and berry martini, a fruit drink."



Valerie Stanley College student

"All kinds of fruit and ice water."



Jo-Ann & children Emmaliz and Emmanuel) Campos **USAG Vicenza**

"My favorite drink this summer would have to be Kalimotxo, a local drink from Pamplona, Spain."

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Army secretary meets with Vicenza FRGs

spoke of facing issues together, such as combating terrorism and drug trafficking.

"We stand with them and will work to become a productive partner and meet the challenges we collectively face," McHugh said.

After meeting U.S. Army Africa leaders, McHugh had lunch with Soldiers at the South of the Alps Dining Facility.

While in Vicenza, McHugh spoke with the rear detachment elements of the 173rd ABCT, currently deployed to Afghanistan, and the 14th Transportation Battalion, deployed to Iraq.

McHugh also held a roundtable discussion with leaders of the family readiness groups that support those units and had lunch with the spouses of deployed Soldiers.

Prior to his departure, McHugh toured the new health clinic and the recentlyconstructed middle and elementary schools at the nearby Villaggio housing

A congressman from New York. McHugh became the 21st Secretary of the Army on Sept. 21, 2009. While in Congress, McHugh served on the House Armed Services Committee.

Prior to his arrival at Caserma Ederle, McHugh met with senior leaders at U.S. Africa Command in Stuttgart, Germany.

Afterward, McHugh was scheduled to visit U.S. Army Soldiers serving with Combined Joint Task Force Horn of Africa.



Valek will attend CU-Boulder in the fall.

Local student wins DECA scholarship

By ADRIANE FOSS

Outlook Editor

Vicenza High School graduate and 2010 valedictorian Robert Valek is a recipient of a \$1,500 college scholarship awarded annually by the Scholarships for Military Children Program.

Over 6.000 students applied for the scholarships at commissaries worldwide. This year, 645 scholarships were awarded; Valek was the sole recipient at Vicenza.

Valek is the son of Robert and Rovena Valek. He will start college in the fall at University of Colorado at Boulder, where he will major in mechanical engineering, focusing on biomedical engineering.

"I got into a couple of schools," said Valek, "but I chose CU-Boulder for its really strong engineering program."

It's too early to say what exactly he'll do upon graduation, but Valek said he plans to pursue a masters in the same field and eventually join a research or engineer team that is developing medical engineering technologies.

"I've always really loved building things. When I was little, my mom could never get me off my Legos," he said.

Medical engineering is quite a step up from the plastic building bricks of his youth, but the field expertly combines his love of building and his strong desire to make a difference in the lives of people.

Current medical engineering, for example, is being used to develop a microscopic device that can be introduced into the bloodstream to dissolve blood clots.

"I want to do something that will help the rest of the world," said Valek. "And from what I can see, this is the route."

|8 transition expected to provide faster service

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"However, in Vicenza we have the San Bortolo patient liaison team members available, so to make the call more direct, it will be connected to the same liaisons who are available when you contact San Bortolo."

"But if someone is in Rome and calls 118, they may or may not get an English speaker," explained Cassels. "People who need to contact the emergency operator outside the province of Vicenza may still call 118 first, but the military police number remains an option."

The change is intended to provide faster access to emergency service, according to Paul Marcucci, the Patient Liaison Service supervisor at San Bortolo Hospital.

"We are switching to this 118 number

to make it easier and more efficient to dispatch ambulance service to where it is needed the most," Marcucci said. "We're always striving to find better ways to efficiently serve our community."

Ambulance service in Vicenza is managed by the city's Urgent and Emergency Medical Service, or Servizio di Urgenza ed Emergenza Medica.

When responding to ambulance calls, the SUEM needs certain information to know what level of trauma care should be sent, according to Dr. Federico Politi, the chief of the SUEM.

The seriousness of an injury determines which ambulance team responds, and precious time can be lost in an emergency situation when translation is a problem, he said.

"(The 118 service is) a direct line

for your emergency health care needs," Politi said.

"We are so excited that our Italian partners are offering this new service for our community," said the U.S. Army Health Clinic Commander Col. Kimberly Armstrong. "It was definitely a joint effort between the Health Center, our Patient Liaison Service, San Bortolo and SUEM to bring about faster and more efficient emergency services to those

"Requesting emergency assistance is a frightening experience no matter what country you are in and now it is a little less scary for those who don't speak Italian," said Armstrong. "Now the caller will receive immediate translation services to ensure that the right level of medical expertise responds to the call."

Timers, motion-sensor lighting helps keep burglars out

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time. Many burglars enter through unlocked doors or windows.

- Dogs are excellent deterrents. Even a small, noisy breed can be effective. Burglars do not like to have attention drawn to their presence. Be aware, however, that a determined burglar may temporarily subdue animals.
- Your house should appear occupied at all times. Use timers to switch lights and radios on and off when you're not at home. Timers can be purchased at local

hardware stores or the PX.

- Installing bars on your windows is a great idea, but they are vulnerable when there is enough space between the wall and bar frame to allow intruders to use power tools or hacksaws.
- If you lose your keys, change the locks immediately.
- Instead of putting a spare key in a mailbox or under the doormat, leave a key with a trusted neighbor or family member.
 - If the entrance to your home is

dark, consider installing motion-sensor lighting, or use time sensors. Most thieves don't want to be observed trying to get in a door or window.

- Talk to neighbors about suspicious people or strange cars you notice in the neighborhood.
- Be aware: burglars frequently use trees and drain pipes near windows and balconies to gain access.

For a home security inspection or to find out what you can do to better secure vour home, call 634-8984/8069.

DoD-REPORTED HOME BREAK-INS IN THE VICENZA PROVINCE														
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC	Total	Monthly
														Average
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CY08	3	1	3	1	1	3	1	2	4^	3	2	1	25	2.0
CY09	0	1	4	0	0	5^	0	1	2	3	0	0	16	1.3
CY 10	2	7	2	0	1	3								2.5*
* Current average. ^ Highest Month														

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Civilian Personnel Advisory At your service



Pete Marchesani is the director of the Vicenza Civilian Personnel Advisory Center.

"As the CPAC director I provide civilian personnel advisory service to managers, supervisors and employees throughout the Vicenza footprint, to include Camp Darby, on all aspects of civilian employment for U.S. citizens and local nationals," said Marchesani.

He can be reached at his off-post office, 262 Viale Della Pace, across the street from the chapel gate, as

- Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 9 a.m.-noon by appointment and 1-4 p.m. on a walk-in basis.
- Tuesday and Thursday: 8 a.m.-noon closed for internal business and open 1-4 p.m. on a walk-in basis.

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Community Camera

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



We've come a long, long way...





V-BCTC photos

AS We grow: Community members are invited see the latest in Army simulation and battle command systems Aug. 12 when Vicenza's Battle Command Training Center (above) celebrates its 20th anniversary. Visitors can negotiate the shoot house as a first-person shooter in Virtual Battle Space 2, or learn a new language in the Tactical Language and Cultural Trainer. The opening ceremony for the anniversary kicks off at 10 a.m., followed by a cake cutting and open house tours until 2 p.m. The V-BCTC is located in Bldg. 350 near the Child Development Center and Luna Bubble. The installation's V-BCTC is a digital training range using live, virtual, and constructive

simulations as well as providing training on latest Army Battle Command Systems. "We hope the community will come out and experience the latest in Army gaming technology," said Paul Toombs, simulation specialist at the V-BCTC. "The training that the troops receive at the V-BCTC is being used daily during deployments." Simulation training saves the U.S. Army millions of dollars annually in fuel, manpower, equipment and maintenance costs. To schedule training or for more information about the V-BCTC, call Derick Cowart at 634-8179 or Paul Toombs at 634-8076.

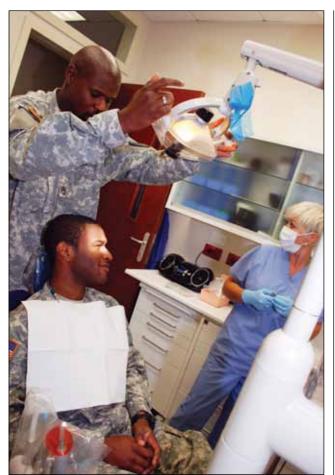


Photo by Laura Kreider

New home: Senior dental NCO Sgt. 1st Class Early Wheeler and dental assistant Ramona Smith prepare the operatory for patient Spc. Robert Poulard at the Vicenza Dental Clinic. The clinic has relocated from Bldg. 2 (across from the MP station) to the newly constructed U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza. The dental clinic is located on the second floor in the west wing and is operational at its new location, Bldg. 2310, across from the current health center. "We're excited about our new home inside the Vicenza Health Center," said the clinic's officer in charge, Col. Thomas Sympson. The clinic will add to its past capabilities an oral surgeon and offers the latest equipment, including 37 dental chairs and eight X-ray stations. For more information or to make an appointment, call the reception desk at 634-7272 / 7271.

Small green measures amount to large energy, money savings

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the community."

But Vallery and the DPW team are doing more than hoping. Energy-saving initiatives under way at Caserma Ederle include:

■ The use of a 3.0 MW cogeneration power plant (diesel engine with heat recovery) and new high efficiency boilers that are expected to save \$1 million annually. The power plant and boilers were funded through the Energy Savings Performance Contract.

"Although it does not directly save energy locally, it uses the lower cost fuels in place of higher cost electricity and saves energy globally," explained Vallery.

■ A Photovoltaic Panel Project funded by the Energy Conservation Investment Program that funded \$3.6 million for the garrison's Photovoltaic panel installation.

The solar panels will turn sunlight into electrical power. Vallery said current estimates are that the funding will be sufficient for the installation of 1 MW of PV Panels.

"This size system will provide an estimated energy cost savings of \$150,000 a year and provide renewable energy incentives of \$350,000 per year," he said. "The incentives are funds that are being returned from tariffs on the electricity sold in Italy, specifically to promote renewable energy projects."

■ Many of the older air conditioning systems, including those at the PX and Ederle Inn, have recently been upgraded with high-efficiency units to help lower electrical energy consumption.

"People, by and large, want to do the right thing.

They want to help conserve energy," said Vallery, "but we all need reminders until [conservation] becomes a way of life."

Simple things that community members can do to help save the garrison hundreds of thousands of dollars include:

Lights

Turn off lights when you leave the office, barracks room, common area or other facility for extended periods of time during the duty day and at the end of every duty day.

Hallway lights should also be turned off at the end of every duty day.

Air Conditioning

From 8 a.m.-5 p.m. on duty days, operator-controlled air conditioners should be set no lower than 78 degrees Fahrenheit (25 degrees Celsius) and must be turned off after duty hours.

Vallery said a system lowering the set temperature just a few degrees will waste a tremendous amount of energy.

DPW personnel will adjust the thermostat on central air conditioners when units are brought on line.

Computers

At the end of each duty day, turn off all peripheral computer equipment–printers, monitors, copier machines, digital senders and scanners, but do not turn off your computer.

The computer is left on and connected to the network so that computer network managers can send operating and security patches, monitor for viruses, and repair software applications while you are not using your computer.

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Photo by Vincenzo Leto

Honoring the fallen: USAG Livorno Commander Lt. Col. Kevin Bigelman receives a note of appreciation from Marino Lucchesi, a Bronze-star decorated survivor of the Battle of Sommocolonia, during the commemoration ceremony in Cutigliano July 25. The ceremony honored the World War II fallen U.S. Fifth Army and Italian Liberation Force troops. Also in attendance were Lt. Col. Robert Cooke with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, U.S. Embassy in Rome, and (center) Cutigliano Mayor Carluccio Ceccarelli.

Community members joined the Army Community Service staff July 23 to make the organization's 45th birthday. To find out what services are available at ACS, call 633-7084.



Community wishes ACS happy birthday

Story and photo by VINCENZO LETO

USAG Livorno Public Affairs

Last month marked a special occasion for the U.S. Army.

Forty-five years ago, in July of 1965, Gen. Harold K. Johnson, Army Chief of Staff, announced the approval and the establishment of the Army Community Service program at the Army-wide level.

On July 23, the Camp Darby community participated in ACS' birthday celebration with events sponsored by the local ACS office.

"This was a great opportunity for service members, civilians and their families to get together and celebrate the birthday of one of the most important assets of the U.S. Army" said Lt. Col. Kevin Bigelman, USAG Livorno garrison commander.

"The initial ACS program was aimed to provide child care, to assist dependents with difficulties and to establish a volunteer program to provide better personnel support," said Darby's ACS Director Evelyn Watkins. "It was 1965, the time of the Vietnam War, and the U.S. Army was already in the process of reshaping itself.

"Since then, ACS has offered an incredible multitude of programs that have grown in complexity and have

adapted continuously to meet the ever changing needs of its Army and family base" said Watkins. "Today the U.S. Army is setting very high standards for Soldier and family support. It's a very comprehensive program that enables ACS to help on a large variety of issues."

The celebration that took place at Camp Darby included food and fun, educational games for children. Events included a fire truck tour emphasizing summer safety, face painting, balloon art, street art and water balloons.

ACS offers programs for service members, civilians, retirees and families. To find out what programs are offered, call the referral desk at 633-7084.

Darby ates

Visit www.usag.livorno.army.mil

Win free dog wash

Get your pooch squeaky clean with a free dog wash token. Listen to the Camp Darby AFN Morning Show on 106.0 every Monday morning in August from 6-10 a.m. and be the first caller when prompted.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School takes place Aug. 23-27 daily from 9 a.m.- noon.

DOD employees, contractors, Darby's host nation employees, families and anyone who works on the installation are welcome to attend. Italian language assistance is available. Register at the Darby Chapel or call DSN 633-7267.

Bowling center closed

The Camp Darby bowling center will be closed until mid-September due to installation of new lanes and machinery. The bowling snack bar will remain unaffected by the installation project and will provide service as follows: Sundays from 5-9 p.m., Mondays from 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Tuesdays closed, Wednesday through Saturday from 11 a.m.-9 p.m.

ITR Trips

- Spend the day in **Florence** at your leisure Aug. 14, 21 and 28.
- Built on 117 small islands, **Venice** has over 150 canals and more than 400 bridges. Visit Venice with ITR Monday and Aug. 16, 23 and 30.
- Cinque Terre is a remote part of the Italian Riviera consisting of five villages connected by trails that hug the coastline. Visit Tuesday and Aug. 17, 24 and 31.
- At your own pace, visit some of **Rome's** most important sites Aug. 12, 19, 26.
- Visit the beautiful island of Elba Aug. 13, 20 and 27.
- The Acqua Village in Cecina Mare features three water slides, a wave pool, children's pool, soaped soccer, play room and more. Visit Aug. 15 and 29.
 Call ITR at 633-7589.

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

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11:15 a.m.: Catholic CCD

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Visiting villas: Paolo Almerico, a papal prelate,

commissioned Villa Rotonda in 1566 upon his return to Vicenza after a long residence in Rome. The central dome, one of Palladio's most famous and imitated motifs, was inspired by the Pantheon of ancient Rome. Palladio's protégé Vincenzo Scamozzi oversaw completion of the structure following Palladio's death in 1580. The villa was acquired and restored in the 20th century by the Valmarana family of Venice. For more information in English, visit http://www. cisapalladio.org/veneto/scheda. php?sezione=4&architettura=67 &lingua=e. To visit Villa Rotonda, also known as Villa Capra, at Via Rotonda 29, call 0444-321793. It is open through Nov. 2. Hours and admission are Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-noon and 3-6 p.m. for €10 (villa + garden). The villa's garden is open Tuesday-Sunday 10 a.m.noon and 2:30-5 p.m. for €5.

Courtesy photo



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Local events

Aug. 15 – Italian national holiday: Ferragosto or Assumption Day is one of the most important Catholic holidays because it is the day that Our Lady was "Assunta" in "cielo," in other words transported directly to heaven.

As is the case with many other Christian holidays, Ferragosto has Pagan origins dating back to 18 BC when Roman Emperor Augustus declared that all of August would be dedicated to the Feriae Augusti, a series of festivals and celebrations.

Still today Italians take almost the entire month of August as holiday and leisure time. Many Italians head to the beach, so there's likely to be lots of traffic along the coast and there will be many local fests and celebrations.

Sopressa Festival: Friday to Aug. 15 in Valli del Pasubio, 22 miles north east of Vicenza. The sopressa is a Vicentine sausage used in many local recipes.

Its history goes back two centuries. In 2003 it obtained the Protected Denomination of Origin.

Food booths feature sopressa and other local products. Old trade show, bonsai exhibition, local handicrafts sale, bingo and fireworks.

Beer Festival: Friday to Sunday in Recoaro Terme, about 34 miles northwest of Vicenza.

Food booths feature local dishes and free beer sampling. Entertainment for children, live music and shows.

Cyclamen Fest: Aug. 12-15 in Fontanelle di Conco, 29 miles north of Vicenza. Food booths, entertainment and live music.

Water Festival: Aug. 15 in Recoaro Terme, about 34 miles northwest of Vicenza.

The festival is a chance to dive into the past and experience the splendor of spa centers at the end of 1800.

The squares, inns and streets are full of the period's atmosphere, thanks to lively scene settings and entertainment.

Trout Festival: Aug. 15, in Arsiero, Sports Center, about 28 miles north of Vicenza.

Gnocchi Festival: Aug. 14-16 in Lusiana, about 24 miles north of Vicenza. 6 p.m. food booths featuring gnocchi in a variety of sauces and other local specialties. Live music and entertainment starting at 9 p.m.

88th Arena Festival in Verona are scheduled as follows:

- Aida by G. Verdi, Sunday, Tuesday, Aug. 15, 17, 22, 26 and 29.
- Carmen by Georges Bizet, Aug. 12, 18, 21, 24, and 27.
- II Trovatore, G. Verdi, Saturday, Wednesday and Aug. 11, 14, 19, 25 and 28.

For more information and special offers, visit http://booking. veronatuttintorno.it/offertespeciali. cfm?NL=Eng.

Wine, Art & Tasting Tours: in Verona. Two guided tours to discover the secrets of the great wines and cuisine of Verona, meet the food and wine producers and learn about the historic and artistic

riches of Verona.

- The Land of Valpolicella and Amarone red wines Friday and Aug. 13, 20, and 27. ½ day, €20. 9 a.m.: appointment in Verona and departure; 9:45 a.m.: Visit the Romanesque Parish church of S. Floriano; 11 a.m.: Visit the Valpolicella Doc and Amarone Doc Wine Company like Villa Novare Bertani or Tenuta Serego Alighieri and wine tasting; 1.30 p.m return to Verona.
- Medieval villages and castles between Verona and Padua Saturday and Aug. 14, 21 and 28, full day, €25. 9 a.m.: Meet in Verona and depart at 9:45 a.m.: visit the first historical village; 11:30 a.m.: visit to the Soave Doc Wine

Company and wine tasting; 12:30 p.m. transfer to a second village; free lunch; 3 p.m.: visit to the second historical village; 5 p.m.: return to Verona.

Cost includes bus tour, English speaking guides, lunch, a visit to the vineyards, wine tasting (3 DOC wines with appetizers) and historic and artistic site visits.

Antique and collectors' items market: Aug. 15, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., in Asiago, Piazza Carli, about 37 miles north of Vicenza.

Natural adventure parks in Veneto

Cappeller Animal Park and Zoo: in Cartigliano, Via Kimle, about 28 miles north of Vicenza. Open through September, 9 a.m.–7 p.m.; on Sunday 9 a.m.–8:30 p.m.

Attractions include botanical gardens, picnic areas, fast-food outlet and playground.

General admission is €10; €7 rate for people over 60 and under 12. Visit http://www.parcocappeller.

Park Jungle Adventure: in San Zeno di Montagna, Pineta Sperane, Lago di Garda, about 42 miles northwest of Vicenza.

The park is open through Sept. 19, 10 a.m.–7 p.m.

Tickets vary according to difficulty level of obstacle course: Green course "Discover" (children must be older than 8): \in 12; Blue Route "Adventure" (must be older than 11): \in 18; Red route "Sensation" (must be older than 14): \in 20.

Discounts are offered for combined courses. Credit cards are not accepted.

Safari Park and Zoo: in Bussolengo, Località Figara 40, 42 miles west of Vicenza. Open through Oct. 3, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. General admission: €19; €16 for children 3-12. Call 045-7170113 to rent a 9-passenger safari vehicle for €18/day. Visit http://www.parconaturaviva.it/index-en.php.

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

Concerts

U-2: Aug. 6 in Torino, Stadio Olimpico; Oct. 8 in Rome, Stadio Olimpico.

Placebo: Sept. 3 in Passariano di Codroipo (UD), Villa Manin.

Guns N' Roses: Sept. 4 in Rome, Palalottomatica; Sept. 5 in Milan, Mediolanum Forum.

Elton John & Ray Cooper: Sept. 17 & 18 in Milan, Arcimboldi Theatre; Sept. 19 & 20 in Rome, Auditorium Parco della Musica.

Ozzy Osbourne (ex Black Sabbath): Sept. 22 in Milan, Pa laSharp.

Peter Gabriel: Sept. 26 in Verona, Arena.

Sting: Oct. 25 in Firenze; Nov. 3 in Torino, Palaolimpico.

Tickets can also be purchased online at http://www.greenticket.it/index.html?imposta_lingua=ing or http://www.ticketone.it/EN/.

Sporting events

MotoGP Misano: Sept. 3-5 in Misano Adriatico, Rimini

Formula 1 Italian Grand Prix: Sept. 10-12 in Monza

Wrestling Raw World Tour: Nov. 13 in Assago (Milan), Mediolanum Forum.

Red Bull X-Fighters World International motocross freestyle tour: Oct. 1 in Rome, Stadio dei Marmi.

For info in English and tickets, visit http://www.ticketone.it/EN/.

ODR trips

Hit the **Jesolo beach** Aug. 12 or head to **Lake Garda** for beach and wakeboarding Aug. 13.

Join the local mountain bike ride Aug. 14 or make a splash into Caneva Waterpark. Sea kayaking is Aug. 15. There is a Nordic hike Aug 17.

Check out more summer trips online at *VicenzaMWR.com*. To enroll for a trip or activity, visit *https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/Vicenzarectrac.html*.

Now Showing

Ederle Theater

ThursdaySex and the City 2 (R)6 p.m.FridayPrince of Persia: Sands of Time (PG-13) 6 p.m.Get Him to the Geek (R)9 p.m.

Sat. Cats & Dogs: Revenge of Kitty Galore (PG) 3 p.m.

Marmaduke (PG) 6 p.m.

Sun. Cats & Dogs: Revenge of Kitty Galore (PG) 3 p.m.

Marmaduke (PG) 6 p.m.

Wed. Get Him to the Geek (R) 6 p.m.

Aug. 12 Letters to Juliet (PG) 11 a.m. Prince of Persia: Sands of Time (PG-13) 6 p.m.

Camp Darby Theater

FridayPredators (R)6 p.m.SaturdayLetters to Juliet (PG)6 p.m.SundayThe Sorcerer's Apprentice (PG)1 p.m.Aug. 12Inception (PG-13)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 schedule online at http://www.aafes.com/ems/euro/vicenza.htm or http://www.aafes.com/ems/euro/livorno.htm.

Free Movie Night

Join the Antiterrorism Office Tuesdays in August at 6 p.m. for a free viewing of popular movies at the post theater. **Aug. 10** - "The Kingdom" - A team of U.S. government agents is sent to investigate the bombing of an American facility in the Middle East.

Aug. 17 - "Buon Giorno, Notte" (in Italian with English subtitles) - The 1978 kidnapping and murder of Aldo Moro, president of the most important political party in Italy at the time, Democrazia Cristiana.

Aug. 24 - "Rendition" - A CIA analyst questions his assignment after witnessing an unorthodox interrogation at a secret detention facility outside the US.

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Community briefs

EMT certification

Enrollment has begun for Emergency Medical Technology at Central Texas College.

Eligible military spouses can obtain free certification using MyCAA. Soldiers may use tuition assistance offered through GoArmyEd.

Tuition costs \$199 per credit, \$995 total for 5 credit hours listed. Classes are set Oct. 4 and Nov.

Weeks 1, 3, 5, 7 Monday through Friday from 5:30- 9 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

Weeks 2, 4, 6 Monday through Thursday 5:30-8:30 p.m.

U of P offering face-toface MBA classes

Have you been putting off earning your graduate degree? The University of Phoenix is offering MBA face-to-face classes starting in September.

U of P offers small, one-night-a -week classes, which are only six weeks long to fit busy schedules.

For more information, call Sarah Foley at 634-8928 or Sarah. Foley@phoenix.edu.

Super Sign-up Fair

Agencies wanting to display their information at the Super Signup Fair Sept. 8 have until Friday to sign up. Call 634-5087 for more information.

Family Movie Night

Saturday is Family Movie Night at the Arena, from 6-8 p.m. Enjoy an evening of bowling, a cheese pizza, pitcher of soda and a movie for \$24.95.

Rat Wives audition

Community members are invited to audition for the Soldiers' Theatre production of Rat Wives. This play will be Vicenza's entry in the annual IMCOM-Europe One Act Play Competition in October. It contains adult language and situations. There are wonderful roles for four women. No experience is necessary, just a desire to learn, perform and have fun.

Auditions are set Aug. 23 and 24 at 6:30 pm and consist of readings from the script, which are available in advance. Call 634-7281 to find out more.

Arts and crafts

The Arts and Crafts Center is more than just a frame shop. It offers paint-your-own pottery with food safe glazes.

You can choose from plates, mugs, plant pots and more. No registration required. The sales store offers fabric by the yard, woodworking kits, sewing supplies and handmade items by local artisans. Stop by and start creating.

Use the multi-crafts room for \$2.50 per hour. It includes scrapbooking supplies, sewing machines and a place for meetings or parties. Call 634-7074 or stop by.

Donut Dash

Get ready for the Donut Dash and see how many donuts you can eat in five minutes, then have one minute knocked off your final race time for each donut (up to five).

Registration begins Monday and continues through Sept. 10. For race details, visit VicenzaMWR.com or inquire at the fitness center. Free T-shirt to the first 150 registrants. Go green and bring your own water bottle. Race day is Sept 18.

Flag football meeting

The flag football coaches meeting is Aug. 18 in the fitness center conference room. Call 634-7009 for information.

Summer camp

Join the fun with the School Age Center summer camps. Hourly care is available and off-post field trips take place every Tuesday and Thursday. The next trip is to Movie Land, followed by Aug. 16 and Aug. 20 trips to Parco Natura Viva. Call 634-8253 for information.

More part-time preschool

Starting Sept. 27, CDC 398 will kick off a part-time preschool program that will run from 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Monday to Friday.

For more information, call the CDC at 634-5008 or Central Registration at 634-7206.

Family art for deployed families set Aug. 14

Family Art Day for deployed families will take place Aug. 14, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the arts and crafts center.

Saturday care

Saturday Care is Saturday from 8 a.m.-4 pm. Make reservations up to two weeks in advance online at Webtrac or at CDC 395. Call 634-7559 for information.

Parents' Night Out

Parents' Night Out is Aug. 20, 7 p.m. to midnight. Reservations are open online at Webtrac and at the Parent Central Services office through Aug. 13.

August Lunch Bistro

ACS' Lunch Bistro Series takes place Wednesdayfrom 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Our next topic will cover fun sporting events in the fall.

Anti-Terrorism awareness training

Awareness training will be offered in English at the post theater, 3-4 p.m. Aug. 24 and 31 and in Italian Aug. 17.

Vicenza's Antiterrorism Office is also hosting several free movies at the post theater throughout the month. See the Page 6 movie listing for details.

MOMS Club events

- Thursday: Pool play date,
- Monday: Lunch play date, 11:15 a.m.
- Aug. 12: Park play date, 4 p.m.
- Aug. 17: Pool play date, 10:30 a.m.
- Aug. 18: Pre-school play group, 10 a.m.
- Aug. 20: MOMS Night Out, 7 p.m.
- Aug. 23: Lunch play date, 11:15 a.m.

E-mail momsclubofvicenza@ vahoo.com for more information.

School physicals

School health assessments will be offered at the Vicenza Health Center in the Pediatrics department Tuesday and Aug. 17 and 24.

Exam forms should be filled out in advance. Visit https:// webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/ vicenzacyms.html or call CIV 0444-71-7656 for forms and info.

Tar Beach Party

Community members are invited to the Tar Beach Party at the post chapel Aug. 20 from 7-8:30 p.m.

There will be music, games, wading pools, boardwalk snacks and more. The events is free and open to everyone. Call 634-7519 or CIV 0444-71-7519 to register.

iWATCH essay contest

Tell us in an essay why you think

the iWatch program is important and how we can keep Vicenza safe and secure. Prizes are AAFES gift certificates and garrison commander's coin. Essays must be submitted by Aug. 26 at 5 p.m. For details, e-mail carl.turner@eur. army.mil, keith.horne@eur.army. mil or peter.huller@eur.army.mil.

No Outlook Aug. 12

The Outlook will not publish an Aug. 12 issue. The next issue will be published Aug. 19. Submissions should be sent to editor@eur.army. mil by noon Monday, prior to the publication date. Call 634-6363 for information.

Health center hours

The Vicenza Army Health Center's holiday hours are as follows:

Aug. 13 (training holiday)

Aug. 14 (open 9 a.m.-1 p.m.) Augs. 15 closed

For medical emergencies when the clinic is closed, go directly to the San Bortolo Hospital Emergency Room. Patients may call the patient liaison at CIV 0444-75-3300 or 0444-928-166.

Pregnant patients can always call the Benincaso Pavilion at 634-6667 or CIV 0444-71-6667.

For more information, call 634-7952 / CIV 0444-71-952, or e-mail VZHCPatRep@amedd.army.mil.

Community **Calendar Highlights**

Aug. 13-16: USAREUR **Training Holiday**

Aug. 15: Ferragosto Italian National Holiday

Aug. 25: School Town Hall Meeting in Villaggio, 6 p.m. Aug. 26: Women's Equality Sept. 2: First Day of School Sept. 10: First Day for

Sept. 3-6: USAREUR **Training Holiday**

Kindergarten

Religious activities

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

Sunday services

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.

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Photo by Laura Kreider

Summer hire staff recognized ...

Greg Vallery, USAG Vicenza Directorate of Public Works Chief Engineering Division addresses summer hire students during the group's recognition ceremony at the DPW Conference Room July 30. Eighteen local students were employed at DPW for the installation's annual Summer Hire program. "Waking up early to get to work on time, taking people's orders, answering phone calls for others has taught me to be more responsible and productive with my work and time," said sophomore Earl Denmon, a DPW summer hire.

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

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Courtesy photo

Extreme cycling: (Second from front) Capt. Clayton Cole, plans officer with the Caserma Ederle's Directorate of Plans, Training and Mobilization and Security, rides in the 130-kilometer La Pinarello Cycling Marathon July 18 in Treviso. Cole is a member of Free Team, an amateur Italian racing team based in Torri di Quartesolo. Free Team finished the 130-kilometer La Pinarello marathon in just less than four hours. Membership is open to anyone who is interested in competitive cycling, regardless of experience. Free Team members also include Caserma Ederle's Navy Lt. Michael Dobling, ROICC Northern Italy; Domenic Barbeiro, DPTMS; David Golden; DPW and Maj. L. Trice Burkes, USARAF HSC. To join an Italian amateur cycling team or for more information, stop by any local bike shop or e-mail Cole at *clayton.cole@eur.army.mil.*



Photo by Laura Kreider

Learning Hoops: Kila Lampert (left) prepares to pass the ball as Morgan Cahill holds her defensive position during the 3-on-3 mini-basketball tournament at the fitness center Friday. The competition included the 7 to 8 and 9 to 14-year-old categories and concluded the 2010 CYS basketball clinic. About 30 community youth participated in this year's event. During the five-day camp, the students learned fundamental skills, including ball handling, passing, shooting technique, defense footwork and conditioning. "The kids did a great job this year and in just five days improvement was seen by all participants," said Krista Cahill, clinic coach.

Post soccer team loses 7-3 to Pollice, preps for October championship

By TOM HLAVACEK

Special to the Outlook

The Pollice Verde soccer club beat the post soccer team 7-3 on the Caserma Ederle multi-purpose field July 22.

Ederle's Shagoon Awe scored two goals, beating out three Italian defenders to score his first goal 30 minutes into the game. Awe scored the second goal at the 37th minute to notch up the score to 3-2 in Pollice's favor before the half.

All-Army soccer team candidate Staff Sgt. Wilmer Aguilar scored the third goal on a direct free kick after striker Sgt. Charity Smith was fouled 20 meters in front of the goal in the 50th minute. Aguilar powered the ball over the Italian defense and into the upper left side of the goal.

Pollice scored with a hat trick by Mattia Redi, and there were two goals by Francesco Federico and one by Benny Paulol and Singm Kabamiit.

Thirty-five minutes into the game the match was delayed 10 minutes when all four game balls were kicked over the street and came to rest between the neighboring prison fences.

"I was very pleased with the performances of Awe, Aguilar, Charity Smith and Elizabeth Hanks," said Coach Carl Kerr.

Hanks played defensive left back.

"Our goal is for Vicenza to be ready when we compete in the U.S. Forces Europe Championship at Aviano Air Base Oct. 22-24," said Ricky Jackson, sports programmer at the post fitness center.

Army, Air Force and Navy installation teams are invited to compete in the fall championship. In preparation for the competition, Caserma Ederle will host an international minitournament Saturday. Competing teams will include Aviano, Pollice Verde, a local Peruvian club and the post team."

SOLDIERS & CIVILIANS COMMUNITY UNIT/REC OPEN PLAY SPORTS

 Team
 Win
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 Sticks & Skulls
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Recreational Softball Season Results:

July 26 704 MUNSS (8) vs. Sticks & Skulls (11) 704 MUNSS (5) vs. USAG-V (15) 704 USARAF (10) vs. USAG-V (16) July 28

AFN/DODDS (12) vs. Sticks & Skulls (4) AFN/DODDS (15) vs. 704 MUNSS (14) 704 USARAF (15) vs. MUNSS (3) Basketball Open Play

11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays at the fitness center, approximately 10 or more participants

Volleyball Open Play 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the fitness center, approximately 7 or more participants

Sports horts

Interested in the post swim team?

The Vicenza Mako Sharks will be hosting parent information meetings Friday and Aug. 23 at 5 p.m. in the post library conference room. Call John Casey at CIV 0444-91-2612.

Up for a challenge?

Ready for a little competition? Students can still register for teams to participate in THE RACE 2010, a five-week physical competition for students in grades 6-12.

THE RACE kicked off last week and will continue through August. The event is hosted by Club Beyond, the installation's youth ministry. Club Beyond keeps score and participants get bragging rights all year long.

Pick up registration packets at the post chapel. Cost is \$10. Participants get a team shirt.

For information, contact Laura Livingston at 340-139-4073. Watchthevideoofprevious RACEs at facebook.com/video/video.php?v=135642563758&ref=mf.

Flag football

Flag football runs Aug. 25-Oct. 18. Call 634-7009 for info.

Sports clinics slated in August

CYSS Sports and Fitness summer sport clinics that take place in August include:

Triathlon: Aug. 9-13
Clinics are held 9:30-11:30
a.m. and cost \$20. Call 634-6151.

Last Call for USARAF Army 10-Miler

This is the last chance to join the U.S. Army Africa team as a competitive runner for the Army 10-Miler Team. Last qualification run will be Aug. 18. If interested, contact Sgt. Maj. Osvaldo Del Hoyo at DSN 634-7093 or e-mail Osvaldo.delhoyo@eur.army.mil.

Community soccer team schedule

The men's community soccer team practices 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays at the multi-purpose turf field.

The women's team practices 5:30-7 p.m. Mondays, 5:30-7 p.m. Thursdays, at the multipurpose turf field approximately 10 or more participants.

Men's softball community team

The men's community softball team practices 7:30-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Villaggio softball field.

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