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DO WORK takes top honors in post basketball tournament



Photo by Paolo Bovo, 7th JMTC

'Feet and knees together': Soldiers from the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team practice their Airborne skills during a jump over Drop Zone Juliet in Aviano Feb. 15. The 173rd ABCT kept their Soldiers rigged up and ready to go throughout the week, although cloudy, rainy weather limited the number of Soldiers who were able to jump.

## Commander gives VMS students lessons on Africa

Story and photo by Mindy Anderson  
U.S. Army Africa Public Affairs

Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg, commander, U.S. Army Africa, treated 21 World Geography students from Vicenza Middle School to an in-depth geography lesson Tuesday.

Hogg brought a unique insight about Africa's cultures and shared several souvenirs from his own collection to include various masks, money, jewelry, and a voodoo bottle. Hogg said it was a great opportunity to interact with the middle school and talk about Africa.

"When you're a dependent you travel the world, sometimes you can get focused on just one area like Germany and Italy," Hogg said. "Understanding the bigger picture gives you more appreciation



Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg, commanding general of U.S. Army Africa, gives a lesson to Vicenza Middle School students about the geography and cultures of African nations Tuesday at the school.

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these days and the more you know about other nations and other places the better off you'll be in the future," he said.

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## 173rd ABCT Soldier dies in Florence

173rd ABCT PAO staff report

Pvt. Michael Jacob Cumpston, 19, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, died Saturday around 2 a.m. from injuries after falling from a building in Florence under unknown circumstances. The incident is under investigation in cooperation with the Italian police.

"First and foremost, our thoughts and prayers are with Pvt. Cumpston's family," said Col. Kyle Lear, commander of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team. "Our brigade is here for them 24-7.

"The brigade is treating this seriously, and we have met with leaders across the garrison this week to discuss the incident in detail. The garrison leadership's actions and those of the local Italian authorities have been exemplary. Our intent is to better understand what occurred and to ensure we are doing absolutely everything possible to prevent the tragic loss of one of our Sky Soldiers again."

## USARAF welcomes new command sergeant major

By David Ruderman  
U.S. Army Africa Public Affairs

Command Sgt. Maj. Hu Rhodes joined U.S. Army Africa as its senior NCO in an assumption of responsibility ceremony Feb. 17.

"As everybody understands, the noncommissioned officer corps is the backbone of our Army, and the U.S. Army has the best noncommissioned officer corps in the world," said USARAF Commander Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg. "The thing about a command sergeant major is, he embodies everything the noncommissioned officer corps is about. He's got the experience, he's got the credibility, and he understands Soldiers, and what it means to be a member of our Army... Command Sgt. Maj. Rhodes was not assigned to this command - he was selected."

"Sir, thanks very much," said Rhodes.



Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Kyle Davis

Command Sgt. Maj. Hu Rhodes, left, becomes the U.S. Army Africa command sergeant major at an assumption of responsibility ceremony Feb. 17. At right is Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg, USARAF commanding general.

Hogg thanked Command Sgt. Maj. Anthony Miller, USARAF G6 for doing "a fabulous job" while performing the duties of acting USARAF command sergeant major, as well as representatives from the U.S and Italian communities for attending.

# Opinion & Editorial

## Net Zero is 100 percent benefit for Army resource management

The Army has a bold vision for managing natural resources on its installations: they will become net zero.

That is, as we go about the complex business of living, working and training on installations, our use and production of resources will balance out, so that in the end, we do not over-consume or waste. The most exciting part of the Army Net Zero vision is this: we all have a part to play in achieving it.

When the concept of net zero was first applied to installations, it was for energy. A task force that grew out of a 2008 joint initiative of the Departments of Defense and Energy studied the possibility of net zero energy installations, or installations that produce as much energy on site as they use over the course of a year. Army Net Zero goes beyond energy to include water and waste.



Army Net Zero's holistic approach increases our ability to achieve the larger goal of sustainable installations. With an eye to all three, energy, water and waste, we are more likely to move beyond isolated projects, which carry the risk of succeeding in one area at the expense of another, to an integrated plan that balances benefits and costs across our operations.

Installations reach net zero through five interrelated steps: reduction, repurposing, recycling and composting, energy recovery and disposal. To achieve net zero energy, garrisons start with aggressive conservation efforts, to reduce the amount of energy being used. Then they repurpose energy, or find secondary uses for building exhausts, boiler stack exhausts and other thermal energy streams, and recover heat from the electricity generation process. Once they have reduced through conservation and efficiency measures, they can meet remaining requirements through renewable or alternative energy projects.

A net zero water installation limits the consumption of fresh water and returns water back to the same watershed, so as not to deplete the ground and surface water resources of the region in quantity or quality. Installations aiming for net zero water begin with rigorous conservation. Then they repurpose the water used in showers, sinks, washing machines and cooling towers, capture rainwater for on-site use, and treat wastewater for recharging into aquifers. They achieve net zero water by capturing, repurposing, and recharging an amount equal to what they consume.

A net zero installation reduces, reuses and recovers waste streams, converting them to resource values with zero landfill. In other words, a net zero waste installation aims to make disposal an unnecessary step. Garrisons start by reducing the initial amount of waste, and then find ways to repurpose waste with minimal processing. For example, they might crush construction rubble to use on trails. When

they cannot reuse waste, they recycle or compost as much as they can or convert it to energy. They achieve net zero waste when they have nothing left to send to the landfill.

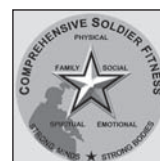
During my site visits over the past year, I have seen how our garrisons have taken steps—great strides in some cases—to manage our resources more efficiently. Look at the water projects at Forts Huachuca, Bliss and Belvoir; the waste management projects at Forts Bragg and Jackson and Joint Base Lewis-McChord; and the energy projects at Forts Drum, Wainwright, Carson and Campbell, to name just a few. So I know there will be tremendous interest in an opportunity the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations, Energy and Environment is launching this month. The ASA (IE&E) is asking garrisons to nominate themselves to become Net Zero Energy, Net Zero Water or Net Zero Waste installations, or all three, by 2020. Five will be selected in each category, with one to become all three. They will receive long-term, in-depth training and support and become showcases for the strategies, technologies and best practices of sustainable resource management.

I encourage every garrison to take on this challenge. It will require commitment and a lot of hard work. Not only do we have to learn about energy, water and waste management best practices and technologies, but we also have to learn the business practices that support them. We have to build partnerships with those in the private sector and in non-government organizations who will join us in investing in the net zero vision. This is a prime opportunity to learn lessons we will be required to know in the future.

Everyone, every Soldier, Civilian and Family member, has a role to play. Maybe it seems like a smaller role—turning out the lights, adjusting the thermostat, or separating recyclables at home. Maybe it is a more direct role, such as running an installation waste management program or writing enhanced use leases or energy savings performance contracts. Regardless, every effort adds up, and what it adds up to is important—our future.

Energy efficiency and security is a critical issue for the Army. The Army depends on a reliable, safe, cost-effective supply of energy to accomplish its mission, as well as provide a good quality of life for Soldiers, Civilians and Families on installations worldwide. To the extent that the supply and distribution of energy lay outside the Army's control, the ability to accomplish our mission is open to risk. The same can be said of water, or practically any of our resources. If the Army is to accomplish its mission in the future, if we want to be good neighbors to those outside our gates and to leave a healthy world for our children and grandchildren, then we have to start operating sustainably today. It is the right thing to do.

- Lt. Gen. Rick Lynch  
Commanding General,  
Army Installation Management Command



## Comprehensive Soldier Fitness: Find social fitness in community events

Aaron Goodman  
Vicenza Family and MWR

We all need social contact. The need to connect with others is a fundamental human desire, and satisfying the need affects confidence and self-esteem.



Goodman  
Social fitness  
'pillar champion'

Some people find it easy to relax around others. They can talk, listen, and socialize without hesitation. Others experience a range of uncomfortable feelings when faced with communicating with a group of people and are more comfortable with just a few close friends.

Social interactions help us to be healthy, balanced individuals because other people can help with stress relief, support, understanding and more. Participating in community activities, volunteering, and getting active in on- and off-post events are exciting ways to work on your social skills. Meet someone new and feel the enjoyment of spending time with people you like.

We are fortunate in the Vicenza community to have a wide variety of activities on post as well as rich and lively entertainment options off post. Check the MWR Community Calendar for updates on all programs and activities.

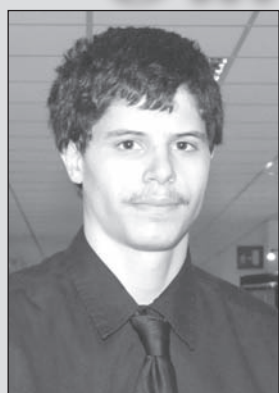
From high adventure outings in the mountains to relaxing at the Music Café at Soldiers' Theatre, we have something for everyone. Also, there are many opportunities to volunteer with various organizations in the community. This is a great way to meet new friends and give back to your community. The Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program is another exceptional outlet for social interaction, meeting new people, or just relaxing with old friends. Check out the BOSS Lounge for more information.

Be sure to look at the different links on the Comprehensive Soldier and Community Fitness website at [www.csf.vicenza.army.mil](http://www.csf.vicenza.army.mil).

Don't forget to maintain that balance and have some fun.

## Speak Out

## Which person would you like to thank and why?



Matthew Martini-Calabrese  
Family member

"My mom, because she gave birth to me and has helped me through most everything. I love her very much."



Lucia Rigo  
Sports and Fitness

"My father, because he taught me the importance of being dedicated to whatever you do, especially at work."



Monica Dalle Fusine  
AAFES

"It's not only one person but all the AAFES staff because they gave me the opportunity to improve myself."



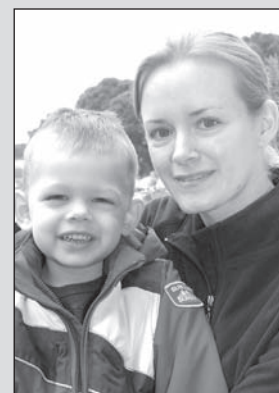
Sue Vanderbeek  
DoDDS

"My mother, Geraldine, who gave me an extraordinary insight into family's love, life's journey and, active citizenship."



Spc. Ricardo Troconis  
HHC, 173rd BSB

"USO (and assistant manger Lisa), because they do an excellent job for Soldiers. You feel like family when you are there."



Dana and Jericho Leathers  
Family members

"My husband, for constantly reminding me of how strong I can be."

By Laura Kreider

## Weapons team assists 173rd ABCT reset

Story and photo by Laura Kreider  
Outlook staff

To maintain operational efficiency and ensure equipment goes back to optimal condition, a group of about 70 people, including technicians, supply specialists and leaders, arrived from Rock Island, Ill., as part of the Small Arms Readiness Evaluation Team, to inspect and make necessary repairs on every type of small weapon.

The team started evaluating, repairing and servicing the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team's weapons Feb. 7, according to George Schmidt, USAG Vicenza, Installation Materiel Maintenance Activity, Maintenance Division chief.

Schmidt said the Directorate of Logistics hosted the teams, ensuring they had buildings, electricity, material handling equipment and the basics an organization of their size requires.

"Our Plans and Operations Division coordinated with the 173rd ABCT the many movements from the individual companies' arms rooms to the RESET building here in our Maintenance Activity 266," Schmidt said. "It is truly a symphony of movements as the brigade, battalions and (U.S. Army Africa) come through for their maintenance."

Dave Villar, the lead SARET



Weapons specialists visited from Rocky Island Arsenal, Ill., to assist in the 173rd ABCT's weapon maintenance, the first of several teams scheduled to assist with the brigade's reset.

inspector, commended the brigade for the weapons being in good condition.

"The maintenance performed by the 173rd while deployed reflects positively on the condition of the weapons being inducted into the reset being conducted by the SARET," he said.

Chief Warrant Officer Thomas A. Waltman, 173rd ABCT senior logistics warrant officer, was also pleased with the weapons maintenance.

"The professionalism and final product at the end of the day from

the SARET team greatly enhances the readiness of the 173rd ABCT," he said.

This is the first of many teams arriving to "RESET" the 173rd ABCT's equipment. After the COMSEC RESET, which began Feb. 14, it will be the turn of the Radio and Navigation, then Chemical, Radiological, and Biological, and finally Medical. All the operations should be completed by May. IMMA will also be receiving fifty items of wheeled equipment to RESET for the brigade.

## USARAF: Hogg relays first hand Africa experiences

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Hogg said it is a pleasure to be able to actually contribute to the children's education. Not only is it important for leaders, it is a responsibility for leaders to get involved in the education of our children.

"Just like parents have a responsibility for their kids, I think leaders have a responsibility to reinforce some of those things that the parents provide and that our schools provide," Hogg said. "When you throw something different out there, the kids perk-up and ask some really interesting questions - plus, it's fun, enjoyable and worthwhile," he said.

The commander is not the only one who enjoyed his time. Seventh grade student James Jones thought it was a pleasant surprise to have the commanding general take his teacher's place for a class.

"It was good for us to learn a little bit more about Africa," Jones said. "It gives us more insight into someone who has been to Africa because it makes it more real than simply studying it from a map and textbook," he said.

The commander's souvenirs were a big hit.

"Since the general brought in some masks, coins and different things from the countries he has visited, I think that now I will start collecting more souvenirs from countries my parents take me to visit so I can show my friends," Jones said.

George Hanby, World Geography teacher at VMS, said his students have moved frequently and most have lived in different states, countries and continents. For them to know more about the geography of the area where they're living gives them a better appreciation of what is available.

"My students learned a lot about what the general is doing - the connection he is making," Hanby said. "One important item he said was 'building relationships,' and I think that's where you get right down to it. You can have different political views, different languages, different ethnic backgrounds, different environments, but if you build relationships with people and they know who you are then that's really how we make a connection in the world," he said.

## Italian Army's Ariete Brigade goes virtual at Ederle

Story and photo by Laura Kreider  
Outlook staff

About 60 soldiers from the Italian Army's 11th Bersaglieri Regiment, Ariete Brigade, from Pordenone, completed a two-week training on the Virtual Battle Space 2 at Caserma Ederle's Battle Command Training Center Feb. 18.

After training Italian soldiers of the Folgore Brigade at the Pisa Airborne School in late 2010, the Vicenza BCTC staff were asked to provide similar training to their sister unit, the Ariete Brigade.

"The first training started in November training two platoons per day for two weeks," said Larry Vaught, one of trainers at the BCTC. "The training

went so well that the 11th (Bersaglieri) Regiment from the (Ariete) Brigade requested training to assist with their deployment."

According to Vaught, the soldiers have been training on mission-essential tasks preparing for a deployment to International Security Assistance Force in Afghanistan in the near future.

The VSB2 is a first-person shooter simulation that replicates the realities of combat zones and offers instant feedback so soldiers can hone their decision-making skills.

"It provides a variety of training that replicates real-world situations that allow soldiers to experience realistic scenarios without endangering either life or equipment," Vaught explained.



Chris Hill, a Battle Command Training Center instructor, shows Italian soldiers from the 11th Regiment, Pordenone Brigade, a training point on the Virtual Battle Space 2 screen.

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## At your service



## SOS & SFAC/WTU

Hollan "Hal" Batts is the Survivors Outreach Services coordinator and acting coordinator for the Soldier Family Assistance Center /Wounded Transition Unit.

For SOS, she provides outreach services such as providing support groups, referrals, briefings and keeping survivors informed. Batts serves as an advocate and assesses survivors' needs. She provides non-clinical counseling and works with Casualty Assistance, Retirement Services, Army Community Service, Military Family Life Consultants and others.

For the SFAC/WTU program, Batts gives guidance, assistance, information and referrals to WTU personnel and their families to facilitate their rapid recovery so they may return to service or successfully adapt to civilian life. She can be contacted at ACS, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. or at 634-6173 / 7591.

# Community Camera



Photos by Laura Kreider

**BOSS & USO host BBQ:** The USO and Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers hosted a barbecue for the USO's 70th Birthday and as a welcome back for the redeployed Soldiers and their families. The community members attending enjoyed food, games and a performance by an Italian band, Onyx Side. Above, USO Manager Glenn Gibbs checks out his face paint in a mirror. Left, Soldiers play football.



Photo by Laura Kreider

**Celebrating heritage:** Lt. Col. (Ret.) Terrence Garrick speaks to a packed house at Soldiers' Theatre Feb. 17 at the African American Heritage Month event. Garrick, a motivational speaker and author, talked about the legacy of African Americans in the Civil War, this year's theme. He also encouraged his audience to continuously strive to be better, while speaking about his own journey from humble beginnings. "I came from a broken home. The refrigerator was 'broke', the air conditioner was 'broke' and my family was broke," he joked. "But that's why your front windshield is bigger than your rear view mirror - where you're going is more important than where you've been." The crowd, which included a high school class, was too large for the theater and the overflow audience watched the speech on televisions set up in the lobby.



Courtesy photo

**Junior Leaders shine:** Ashley Edwards, right, and three other Vicenza Middle School eighth-graders, Benjamin Bonney, Filippo Lippi, and Marshall Perfetti, spent Feb. 5-11 at the Junior Leadership Seminar in Oberwesel, Germany, learning about being a leader and teamwork. The Vicenza Community Club provided scholarships for the students. Perfetti was selected as the top eighth grade leader for all of DoDDS-Europe. As their first service project, the Vicenza JLS graduates will be planning and conducting a mini JLS conference for the school.



Courtesy photo

**SOTA donates to Scouts:** Warrant Officer Christopher Wood, a member of the South of the Alps Warrant Officer Chapter, presents a \$300 check to the Vicenza Cub Scout Pack 295. The donation will be used to defer the cost of the scouts spring camporee at Normandy, France in April. SOTA holds occasional fund raisers such as bagging groceries and bake sales to raise money for local organizations, both on and off post.



Photo by Viki Frey

**Go Cougars!** Navy Cmdr. Andrew Hascall, Naval Facilities Engineering Command Europe Africa Southwest Asia, presents a championship banner to Adam Ridgley, athletic director of the Vicenza High School, to the football team on behalf of NAVFAC and the employees of Dal Molin in the VHS gymnasium in January. "We (the employees of Dal Molin) saw a need to celebrate the amazing achievement of the 2009 Vicenza High School football team that won the Division II Championships," Hascall said. "As everyone knows, the Navy takes football very seriously and wanted to be sure all the hard work and dedication of the Vicenza High School football team was put on display for all to see."

## Exercise aims to heighten security awareness

Story and photo by Chiara Mattiolo  
USAG Livorno Public Affairs

The sound of gunfire in an empty building were loud enough to set off the fire alarm, adding to the realism of the active shooter training at Camp Darby Jan. 27.

Camp Darby's 511th Military Police Company conducted active shooting training in the old barracks to learn how to be more efficient in reacting to a real situation.

"The Soldiers are practicing simulating different scenarios to cover most of the unexpected threats that can possibly rise," said Staff Sgt. Robert Everly, 511th MPs operations sergeant.

Prior to this training, the MPs were briefed on the proper response techniques and on the scenario they were facing. Everly added that this training is very important to enforce the prompt reaction of the military police to better protect the community.

"It is important for the community to have better prepared Soldiers in case of a real threat," said Sgt. Raymond Collazo, one of the military police involved with the exercise.

The training is held in addition to the federal law enforcement training MPs receive at the Military Police academy, and keeps them up to date on emerging threats, Everly said. This type of training is ongoing at many military installations and other governmental agencies.

"We learn a lot and get the feeling on how we should react in a real life situation, reacting better and reducing the casualties" said Spc. Charles Allen.

The training was also extended to the Camp Darby civilian population to promote security and awareness.

"It is essential that the entire workforce is trained on active shooter," said Everly. "They will be trained on what the MPs are looking for and on what information is important that they provide if ever



Sgt. Raymond Collazo charges into a building preparing to disarm an active shooter as part of a training exercise at Camp Darby Jan. 27, while Staff Sgt. Robert Everly, 511th Military Police operations sergeant, right, evaluates Collazo's progress. The Soldiers on the floor were acting as victims in the scenario.

caught in that situation."

Allen said, "If the civilians are aware of how we respond it will make our job easier and help them too."

Teachers and staff at Livorno Unit Elementary and Middle School were among the many who have received the training.

"This instruction offered us an opportunity to take the time to reflect on what should be done to get the children

safe in the shortest time," said School Principal Daniel Serfass. "History shows how important it is to keep our children safe both emotionally and physically."

Teacher Stephanie Boyanowski added, "The more knowledge we have the better service we can provide."

Active shooter training is being offered to all units in Camp Darby. For more information contact the military police.

## Darby Dates

Visit the community calendar for upcoming events and details at [www.usag.livorno.army.mil](http://www.usag.livorno.army.mil)

### PTSO Spring Bingo

Join us March 11 at 6 p.m. at the school cafeteria for Bingo.

### VA rep visits

Speak with a Veterans Affairs representative Wednesday or March 3. Call 633-7084 to make an appointment.

### Navigating your life

Dr. Nathaniel Williams, author and motivational speaker, speaks at the Darby Community Club March 4, 6 p.m.

### Army Emergency Relief

The 2011 Army Emergency Relief annual campaign is Tuesday-March 15. Learn more at ACS.

### Army Community Service

- ◆ Couples communication, March 4
  - ◆ Finance Club, March 8
  - ◆ Deployed Spouses Support Group, March 8
- Call 633-7084 to learn about these programs and more.

### Fitness Center

Spin class, Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. Call 633-7440.

### Dental visit

Call 633-7440 to schedule a dental appointment March 28-April 1.

### Youth Services

- ◆ Kick back night, March 18, 26
  - ◆ Parents' Night Out, March 26
  - ◆ Register for youth baseball by March 4.
- Call 633-7629.

### Outdoor Recreation

Join ODR for a one-day ski and snowboarding trip to Abetone and Monte Cimone every Saturday until March 12.

Now offering a shuttle service to the airport. Reservation and payments must be made 72 hours in advance. Call 633-7555.

### ITR trips

ITR is offering the following upcoming trips. Call 633-7589.

- ◆ Venice Carnival, March 5
- ◆ Rome, March 12
- ◆ Ducati & Lamborghini, March 19

### Darby Community Club

- ◆ Karaoke, every Thursday at 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ Texas Hold 'em, Friday
- ◆ African American History food tasting, 6 p.m.
- ◆ BOSS Taco Tuesday, Tuesday

### Religious activities

9:40 a.m. Catholic reconciliation  
10 a.m. Catholic Mass  
11:15 a.m. Protestant worship  
11:15 a.m. Catholic CCD  
Call 633-7267 to find out more information.

## Arezzo antique market, sightseeing locations offer treasures

Story and photo by Barbara Ranieri  
USAG Livorno Community Affairs

For those interested in shopping for antiques in Tuscany, Arezzo's antique market has been running the first weekend of each month for the past 42 years.

Arezzo has been featured in movies and books. More than 500 vendors show their products within the old town walls. The Piazza Grande where the market is located is circled by historic buildings.

Arezzo is built on a hill, and wearing comfortable shoes can be a benefit. Climbing the hill from the parking areas to the walled city, you can stop to admire the San Domenico Church and the restored Cimabue Cross.

From there, it is possible to reach San Francesco church where the Piero della Francesca frescos have just been restored to their original splendor with just a short walk. You can also visit the cathedral on top of the hill, if you don't mind more uphill climbing.

The shops and restaurants also offer a variety of local delicacies and products.



The Arezzo antique market takes place the first weekend of every month and features more than 500 vendors. The historic, Tuscany town is about a 90-minute drive from Camp Darby.

**How to get there:** From Camp Darby, drive towards Florence on the Fi-Pi-LI and take the A1 to the Arezzo exit. The trip takes approximately 90 minutes. The Pietri parking area in Arezzo offers free parking.

## Carnevale pastries:

In Italy, each region has its own typical Carnevale pastries: *crostoli*, *chiacchiere*, *frittelle*, *struffoli* and *galani*. All of them have one thing in common - they are all fried, seasonal treats and they come from the Roman *frictilia*, deep-fried pastries prepared during ancient spring festivals. In Vicenza and all over Veneto *crostoli*, *frittelle* and *galani* are served in pastry-shops, bakeries and cafés. The treats will be available at many of the area's Carnevale fests. See below for more information.

Courtesy photo



### Antique market:

Sunday, Piazzola sul Brenta, Villa Contarini about 16 miles east of Vicenza. More than 700 vendors and food booths.

### Movie festival:

The Odeon Theater, in Vicenza, Corso Palladio 176, features movies in English in the winter. Monday: "Made in Dagenham", 4 p.m., 6:15 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Tickets: €6; reduced €4.50 for students.

### FREE concerts, exhibits & events

#### Memorabilia exhibit:

Ongoing through March 13 in Vicenza, Casa Cogollo, Corso Palladio 165. Tuesday-Sunday 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-7 p.m.

#### Live Music:

**Sabotage Bar:** In Vicenza, Via dell'Industria 12T; Thursday, 9:30 p.m., Acoustic Night with the Mud Sand Band; Friday, 9:30 p.m., garage punk and power pop music.

**Conservatory students in concert:** Saturday, 5 p.m., in Vicenza, Conservatory, Contrà San Domenico 33.

**Steel Nylon & Wood:** International pop rock & blues Saturday, 9:30 p.m. in Vicenza, Equobar, Via Marosticana, 350.

**Explore the sky:** Astronomical Observatory of Arcugnano, Tuesday, 8:30 p.m., Via S. Giustina, 127, about five miles south of Vicenza.

### ODR trips

ODR has limited skiing and snowboarding equipment available for check out until March 31 due to the Warrior Adventure Quest.

**Ski/snowboard Obereggen** March 5, 5:45 a.m.-7:30 p.m.

**Shop Verona** March 5, 8:15 a.m.-9 p.m.

**Visit the Venice Carnevale** March 8 by train, 8:45 a.m.-7 p.m.

**Ski/snowboard Castrozza** March 12, 5:45 a.m.-7:30 p.m.

**Visit Budapest, Hungary,** March 17-20

See the complete ODR schedule online at [www.VicenzaMWR.com](http://www.VicenzaMWR.com).

## Carnevale

### Vicenza:

♦ **Saturday:** Children's party with music, a parade and majorettes; 2:30 p.m., parade departs from Via Istria and arrives in Galleria Parco Città shopping center. 3 p.m., children's costume parade (2-14 years) and entertainment for children at Saint Mark Church Recreation Center, Contrà San Francesco, 76.

♦ **Sunday:** Carnevale in San Pio X district, 2:30 p.m. parade departs from Saint Pio X Church accompanied by the G. Rossini Musical Band from Sovizzo. Food booths, entertainment and election of the Re del Gnocco (Gnocco King).

♦ **March 5:** 2:30 p.m., Piazza Matteotti, parade with majorettes and band; 2:30 p.m., children's costume parade with band and majorettes departs from Santa Bertilla, Via Ozanam 2 followed by children's entertainment & games; 3 p.m., children's costume party at Bertolina Church, Via S. Cristoforo Veneto.

♦ **March 6:** 2:30 p.m., carnival costume parade with live music and majorettes, Via P. da Palestrina 82. 3 p.m., costume party for children at Bertolina Church, Via S. Cristoforo Veneto. 2-4 p.m. in Piazza dei Signori, live entertainment and make-up workshops; 3 p.m., children's costume parade departs from Piazza Castello; 4 p.m. in Piazza dei Signori "Air Bubble" show. Free *crostoli* for everyone.

### Albettono:

Sunday, Piazza Ortigara, about 17 miles south of Vicenza. 2 p.m., float parade, games and entertainment for children, food booths featuring *fritole*, hot chocolate, and hot spiced wine.

### Bassano del Grappa:

In Piazza Libertà, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza.

♦ **Sunday:** 3 p.m., costume party, live music and dancing with I Mirage Orchestra; make-up workshops with makeup artists.

♦ **March 5:** 3 p.m., children's carnevale party featuring puppet shows, balloons and face painting workshops; food booths featuring crepes, cotton candy, and pop corn. 9 p.m., float parade, Viale Parolini and Viale Delle Fosse.

♦ **March 6:** 2:30 p.m., float

parade departs from Via Velo and goes through downtown; majorettes' exhibition and dance presentation by Full Time Dance.

♦ **March 8:** 2:30 p.m. in Piazza Libertà, children's costume contest and dance shows; 4:45 p.m. in Piazza Garibaldi, magic and jugglers' shows. Bounce-houses and rides in a mini train. 9 p.m., Carnevale closing costume party live music and dancing.

### Cornedo Vicentino:

Sunday, Piazza Aldo Moro, about 21 miles northwest of Vicenza, 2-6 p.m., float and costume parade.

### Malo:

In Piazza Zanini, about 20 miles northwest of Vicenza. Entrance fee: €3. Food booths featuring *frittelle*, hot spiced wine and hot chocolate. Before and after each parade, free rides on a mini train for children and adults.

♦ Sunday, 2 p.m., float parade; 6 p.m., entertainment with the "Universal Fire" group.

♦ **March 6:** 2 p.m., entertainment with the Jugglers Group; 6 p.m., float parade; entertainment with the Universal Fire group.

♦ **March 8:** 2 p.m., town hall band exhibition; float parade and entertainment with the Universal Fire Group. Prizes awarded for the best costumes, masks and floats.

### Ponte di Barbarano:

Sunday in Piazza Chiesa, about 13 miles south of Vicenza. 2:30 p.m., carnevale party, live music and costume parade. In case of inclement weather, the event will be postponed to March 6.

### Rettorgole:

Sunday, about 5 miles north of Vicenza. 2:30 p.m., children's costume parade; 4:30 p.m., live entertainment with music, games and prizes for all participants.

### Roana:

March 5, 3 p.m., at the Sports Center, Via Maggiore, about 37 miles north of Vicenza. Carnevale party for children. Bounce houses, music, dancing, free cotton candy and entertainment with clowns.

### Sovizzo:

Sunday, Via Roma, about 7 miles west of Vicenza. 2 p.m., float parade in Via Roma with arrival in Piazza Manzoni.

### Thiene:

March 5-6 and 8, about 12 miles north of Vicenza.

♦ **March 5:** Carnevale party at the Exhibition Hall, Via Vanzetti; live music, dancing and entertainment with I Musicanova. Admission: €5.

♦ **March 6:** Float and mask parade departing from Via Divisione Acqui at 2:30 p.m. In case of inclement weather, the parade will be postponed to March 13.

♦ **March 8:** Carnevale costume party for children. Games and entertainment in Piazza Chilisotti and free *crostoli*. In case of inclement weather, the event will be cancelled.

### Venice:

Saturday & Sunday - March 8 in Venice. The Carnevale di Venezia is an annual festival of costumes, entertainment, music, food, dance and parades held before Lent. For a detailed program in English, visit [www.carnevale.venezia.it/](http://www.carnevale.venezia.it/).

♦ **Saturday:** 2 p.m., "Festa delle Marie", 12 girls leave San Pietro di Castello., parade along the Riva degli Schiavoni, and reach Piazza San Marco where they will be introduced to the crowd. On March 8 at 5 p.m., the most charming "Maria" will be selected and crowned by the Doge.

♦ **March 3-5:** costume contests at noon, 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. in Piazza San Marco.

♦ **March 3-8:** 3 p.m., Children's Carnival in Campo San Polo, including entertainment & ice rink for children.

### Verona:

The Verona Carnevale dates from 1531 when grain prices rose due to a food shortage. Poor people, especially in the Saint Zeno's area, were facing starvation. A wealthy nobleman, Tommaso Da Vico, donated a large sum for poor people to buy flour and make *gnocchi*. Da Vico ordered in his will for *gnocchi* and wine to be given to the people of Saint Zeno's every year on the last Friday before Lent, now called "Venerdì *gnocolar*" (*gnocchi's* Friday). Today there is a parade through downtown Verona to Saint Zeno's Church led by Papà de' *gnocco* (*Gnocchi's* Dad). A costumed man represents an old king holding a large fork topped by a big *gnocco*, instead of a scepter. The man who wears this costume is elected in Saint Zeno's square a month before the event. Candidates try to buy people's vote by offering *gnocchi* and wine.

## Local events

### A world of flavors:

Local as well as regional and national biological food and wine fair Saturday 10 a.m.-9 p.m. and Sunday 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m., in Mussolente, Via Pavane 3, about 25 miles northeast of Vicenza.

### Wheels - motorcycle and car fair:

Friday-Sunday, 9 a.m.-7 p.m. in Bolzano, Piazza Fiera 1, about 110 miles north of Vicenza. Exhibition and sale of cross and trial motorcycles, scooters, new and used bikes, customized bikes, show cars, clothing and accessories. Live music. Admission: €12; reduced €6 (children 11-13) and free for children younger than 11. For more details in English, visit [www.wheels.bz.it/eng/index.html](http://www.wheels.bz.it/eng/index.html).

## Now Showing



### Ederle Theater

Friday	Yogi Bear (PG)	6 p.m.
	Little Fockers (PG 13)	9 p.m.
Saturday	Yogi Bear (PG)	3 p.m.
	Big Momma's: Father Like Son (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Sunday	Little Fockers (PG 13)	3 p.m.
	Big Momma's: Father Like Son (PG 13)	6 p.m.
March 4	Yogi Bear (PG)	6 p.m.
	How Do You Know (PG 13)	9 p.m.

The Caserma Ederle Post Movie Theater will be closed Monday-Thursday for renovations until further notice.

### Camp Darby Theater

Friday	Little Fockers (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Saturday	The Roommate (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Sunday	Yogi Bear (PG)	1 p.m.
March 4	How Do You Know (PG 13)	6 p.m.

Admission: Age 12 and older, \$4, younger than 12, \$2. The Ederle theater box office opens one hour prior to show.

View MOVIE TRAILERS and more online at [www.shopmyexchange.com/ems/euro/vicenza.htm](http://www.shopmyexchange.com/ems/euro/vicenza.htm) or [www.aafes.com/ems/euro/livorno.htm](http://www.aafes.com/ems/euro/livorno.htm).

## Soldiers' Theatre

Stephen Schwartz's "Godspell" opens March 4 at Soldiers' Theatre. The contemporary, family-friendly musical celebrates community through music and dance. This will be USAG Vicenza's entry in IMCOM-E's Tournament of Plays Festival. Performances are Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for youth. Reserve at the box office or call 634-7281.

## NASCAR Contest

Nominate a female service member for the Driven 2 Honor - A Salute to Women in the Military promotion and you could win a VIP NASCAR experience at an upcoming race. Deadline is March 21. Find out more at [www.MWRPromotions.com](http://www.MWRPromotions.com).

## Family Mathmania

Family math night at the elementary school is Tuesday, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Families can explore how math can be fun through games, prizes, homework passes and more. E-mail Kathy Weycker at [ptsavicenza@hotmail.com](mailto:ptsavicenza@hotmail.com).

## Scholarships

- The Vicenza Community Club's scholarship application deadline is Tuesday. Applications are available through the VHS guidance counselor, Thrift Shop, ACS and the library. For info, contact Mari Mackenzie at [scholarships@vccitaly.org](mailto:scholarships@vccitaly.org).
- The deadline is April 1 for the Maj. Gen. James Ursano Scholarship Program for dependent children of active-duty, retired and deceased Soldiers pursuing a full-time undergrad degree. Visit [www.aerhq.org/education.asp](http://www.aerhq.org/education.asp).

## Children's Musical

The Chapel Children's Choir is seeking children in kindergarten-eighth grade to be in the Easter Musical. Rehearsals are Sundays at 1 p.m. in the Spiritual Fitness center (the old CDC behind the theater). Children do not have to attend chapel services to be a choir member. For more information contact [dana.brue@eur.army.mil](mailto:dana.brue@eur.army.mil).

## Arts and Crafts

- Ceramics Lab is an opportunity to work directly with an instructor to improve your skills. All are welcome Fridays from 4-5:30 p.m. to work in a small group.
- Junior spinning on the wheel is Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. Youth ages 7-11 will learn the basics of wheel throwing. Cost is \$60 for three Wednesday sessions. Supplies included. Register by Monday.

## Library

The Book Club will discuss "The Year of Wonders" by Geraldine Brooks March 3 at 7 p.m. at the library. Bring a snack to share and a friend to join in the discussion. Limited copies of the book are available for checkout.

## Homeschool group

- Italian Enrichment, Friday, March 4 & 11, 9:30 a.m.- 4 p.m.
  - Connection Co-op, Tuesday & March 8, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
- For more info, e-mail [vicenzahome](mailto:vicenzahome)

[schoolconnection@yahoo.com](mailto:schoolconnection@yahoo.com) or visit [vicenzahomeschoolconnection.com](http://vicenzahomeschoolconnection.com).

## Homeschool Terra Nova

VHS will administer the Terra Nova Achievement tests March 14-18. Command-sponsored homeschooled students grades 9-11 can take the tests. Contact John Zaborek at 634-7656 by March 8.

## Arena

- Enjoy local wine tasting Friday, 4-7 p.m. Cost is \$10 and includes finger foods and a bottle of wine.
- Watch men compete for the title of "Miss Lioness" in the Lion Den's Powder Puff contest Friday, starting at 8 p.m. Call 634-8257.
- Bowl on Dr. Seuss Day at the Arena Wednesday, 5:30-7:30 p.m. and get two hours of bowling, shoe rental, a large pizza, a pitcher of soda and watch a Dr. Seuss movie while you bowl for \$34.95.

## Tax Center open

The Tax Center is open to help military I.D. cardholders to file taxes. Taxpayers should bring all pertinent documents, such as prior year tax returns, W-2s and mortgage statements. The Tax Center is in the Bldg. 241 on 6th Street across from the AAFES Car Care Center. Hours are Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. for walk-in or drop-off, and Tuesday and Thursday for scheduled appointments only. Call 634-7316 or 0444-71-7316.

## Free legal help

Navigating the MEB-PEB process is complicated, but free legal help is available. Visit the USAG Vicenza homepage at [www.usag.vicenza.army.mil](http://www.usag.vicenza.army.mil) and click on "Hot Topics" to review the full news article.

## CYSS parent education

Visit CYSS Parent Central Services online at [www.vicenzamwr.com](http://www.vicenzamwr.com) for a parent resource guide.

## CYS Services

- The School Age Center will visit the zoo March 5. Sign up by Friday at the Villaggio SAC office.
- The CYSS track and field season is April 11-May 27. Practices are

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m. for youth ages 6-15 at the North 40 Track. Enroll March 7-31 at CYSS Parents Central Services. Call 634-6151 for more info.

- EDGE! track and field for high school teens is Monday-Friday, 3:30-5:30 p.m. Call 634-7502 for info on EDGE! programs.

## Seventh grade lock-in

The Youth Center in Villaggio will host a lock-in for all seventh graders Friday-Saturday, 8 p.m.-8 a.m. There will be fun, food and games all night. Call 634-7659.

## EFMP events

- Exceptional Family Member Program will host a fun run for EFMP families before the Shamrock Run March 12. Register at 8:45 a.m. at the track.
- Free swimming lessons for EFMP families on Wednesdays, Wednesday-May 25, with beginners 3:30-4:15 p.m. and intermediate, 4:15-5 p.m. The lessons are exclusively for children in the EFMP program. Call 634-8582.

## AER Campaign

The 2011 Army Emergency Relief Campaign is Tuesday-May 15. AER provides emergency financial assistance to Soldiers and their families and scholarships for dependents. To donate, contact a unit representative or call 634-8524. The community is invited to the kick off ceremony Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. at ACS.

## Deployment benefits

Deployment benefits for CYSS AFC programs are good for 90 calendar days after a Soldier redeploy. Deployment or re-D orders are needed to use the benefits, including: free, reduced or discounted childcare, free SKIES classes and free sports. For more info, call 634-7219 or visit CYSS Parent Central Services in ACS.

## PTSA needs volunteers

The Vicenza Parent Teacher Student Association is seeking volunteers for several elected and non-elected positions, including board members, web master, project managers and more. E-mail

[ptsavicenza@hotmail.com](mailto:ptsavicenza@hotmail.com).

## Booster Club Auction

The High School Booster Club's furniture auction is March 19 at the VHS gym. Doors open at 8 a.m. and auction begins at 10 a.m. There will be furniture, collectables and North Carolina-style barbecue. All proceeds support local student athletes with scholarships, equipment and awards.

## Improve GT score

Improve your GT score. The next FAST class begins March 7. Call 634-8933 to sign-up.

## Readers needed

The PTSA is seeking readers for "Read Across America" at the schools Tuesday-March 4. Contact Janet Geisler at 0444-71-5033, Denise Martin at 0444-71-7780 or Teresa Taylor at 0444-71-5702.

## Ciao Conference

The 2011 CIAO Conference is March 4 at Dai Gelosi Restaurant. Registration is €20. For info and a registration form, contact Kym Price at [ciao@vccitaly.org](mailto:ciao@vccitaly.org).

## Job opportunities

- FMWR has an exemption to the Dual Compensation Act for custodial worker, waiter/waitress, food service, bartender, cook, operations asst, recreation aide. Current NAF employees in regular or flexible full time positions and AF employees in permanent or temporary full time positions may be selected for dual appointments to these positions at USAG Vicenza for flexible or intermittent on-call positions. Call 634-7349 or 7290.
- AAFES is seeking a store associate for the shoppette. Apply by Wednesday.
- The Arts & Crafts Center is seeking a professional picture framer and professional woodworker to work as a contractor. Send resumes to [Paola.Liberatore@eur.army.mil](mailto:Paola.Liberatore@eur.army.mil).

## USARAF FRG

USARAF's FRG meeting is March 8, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at ACS, with free lunch and door prizes. RSVP to [tashunda.s.vaughn@eur.army.mil](mailto:tashunda.s.vaughn@eur.army.mil) by March 4.

## 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 "Spiritual Fitness Center", Bldg. 395 behind the Arena)
- 10:45 a.m.:** Catholic religious education (September-May at "Spiritual Fitness Center". Bldg. 395 behind the Arena)
- 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
- 3:15 p.m.:** Middle School Club Beyond meets in Villaggio Youth Center September-May
- 5 p.m.:** Contemporary Praise band practice
- 5:30 p.m.:** PWOC Bible study. Dinner provided. No child care
- 5:30 p.m.:** High School Club Beyond meets at the Teen Center for dinner; meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. 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:** Call 634-7519 (0444-71-7519) for info
  - Jewish:** Call Paul Levine at 345-907-2108
  - Latter Day Saints:** Call Chance Wilson at 327-869-8107. Sunday services, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. downtown. Scripture study held Mondays, noon-1 p.m. at the chapel
- Call the Caserma Ederle chapel at 634-7519 (0444-71-7519) for more information on religious activities.



Photo by Viki Frey

**Bravi!** The Vicenza High School Wrestling team took home awards at the Southern Regional Championships Feb. 12 in Aviano, taking on teams from the American Overseas School of Rome, Naples, Aviano, Sigonella, Rota and Black Forest Academy. Austin Pond took first place and finished the season undefeated with a record of 23-0; Aaron Hogg took first with a record of 20-1, and Will Pagan placed first with a record of 13-3. Other winners in their respective weight classes included: Mikhail Schroeder and Tim Lemaitre, second place; Kyle Leanhart, Jeremy Huller and Jacob Lieb, third place; Peter Perry and Reece Williamson, fourth place. Pond, Hogg, Pagan, Schroeder and Lemaitre traveled to Wiesbaden, Germany, for the European championships Friday and Saturday.

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

## Teams face off in basketball finals

By Annette Fournier  
Outlook editor

Players sweated it out on the Fitness Center basketball court through a series of fast-paced games Friday and Saturday, during the U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza Unit/Recreational Basketball League championship tournament.

The final scores were DO WORK in first place, ALL IN taking second and USARAF placed third. As the first place unit-level team, USARAF has been selected to attend the Army Europe Unit Level basketball Championship in Bamberg, Germany, March 11-13.

“Team work, motivation and esprit-de Corp were very noticeable with teams having fun,” said Ricky Jackson, sports programmer with Sports and Fitness. “The league was competitive as well as fun.”

On Friday, USARAF beat 464TH MP PLT 50 to 40, and ALL IN won against 14TH TRANS by forfeit. On Saturday, DO WORK slipped past ALL IN for a 49 to 43 victory, then 14TH TRANS beat 464TH MP PLT 48 to 39. USARAF fell behind when DO WORK won 56 to 31. ALL IN moved up when they bested 14TH TRANS for a 60 to 43 win.

In the second to last game, ALL IN scraped a win in a tight match against USARAF, 36 to 34. In the final match, DO WORK came out on top by defeating ALL IN 66 to 42.

The next basketball league will be the summer league in June or the regular league in November, Jackson said. Game scores provided by Jackson.



Photos by Laura Kreider

The top teams from the U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza Unit/Recreational Basketball League played in the finals Friday and Saturday. DO WORK placed first, ALL IN took second and USARAF placed third.

Above, Russell Steward adds two points to 14TH TRANS' score during a Saturday game against ALL IN. Below, ALL IN player Oliver Clifford (right) dribbles while Patrick Casseus of DO WORK defends during the championship game Saturday.



DO WORK's Geonte Haynes grabs the rebound during the final match vs. ALL IN Saturday. DO WORK defeated ALL IN 66-42.



# Sports Shorts

### Women's rugby

The Penn State University Women's Rugby Team will play their annual inter-squad scrimmage game at Caserma Ederle's North 40 Field March 6 at 2 p.m. This year, the team is trying for their third consecutive title. Those interested in playing rugby should call the Fitness Center at 634-7009.

### Shamrock 5K Run

The Shamrock 5K Run is March 12 at 10 a.m. at the track. The event is free and open to all ID card holders and dependents. Register at the Fitness Center or find the form on the sports page at [www.VicenzaMWR.com](http://www.VicenzaMWR.com) and e-mail it to [sports@vicenzamwr.com](mailto:sports@vicenzamwr.com). To be timed and eligible for awards, register by March 8. The first 200 registered participants will receive a T-shirt when the race is completed. Awards will be presented to the top male and female finishers in six age groups, the first runner to finish pushing a stroller, top overall male and female finishers and the best costume. Contact [jackson.holahan@eur.army.mil](mailto:jackson.holahan@eur.army.mil) or call 634-6530 for more info.

### Coaches needed

USAG Vicenza CYSS is seeking volunteer coaches for baseball and softball teams for ages 3-15. The programs cannot be offered without coaches. Potential coaches must pass a background check and complete training (provided and funded by CYSS, including NYSCA Coaches Training and Certification). Contact CYSS Sports & Fitness to volunteer. Contact Krista Cahill or Nicole Fulbright at 634-6151 or e-mail [nicole.fulbright@eur.army.mil](mailto:nicole.fulbright@eur.army.mil) or [krista.cahill@eur.army.mil](mailto:krista.cahill@eur.army.mil).

### Tae Kwon Do

Tae Kwon Do classes are Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. or Mondays and Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. at the Fitness Center. Cost is \$10 per session. Call 634-7876 for info.

### CYSS softball & baseball

Enrollment is ongoing to March 4 for girls softball (ages 10-15) and co-ed baseball (ages 3-15). The season is April 16-June 4 and practices begin in March. Cost is \$45 for ages 6-15 and \$20 for ages 3-5. Space is limited. Register at Parent Central Services. Call 634-6151.

### Seeking group instructors

The Fitness Center is seeking certified group fitness instructors. Stop by the Fitness Center to learn how to get certified. Call 634-7887.

### Unit & rec play

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

Basketball: 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday for 6 or more, fitness center.

Volleyball: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday for 8 or more players, fitness center.

Men's Soccer: 7-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday for 10 or more players at the turf field behind the Ederle Inn. E-mail [shaun.nurse@amedd.army.mil](mailto:shaun.nurse@amedd.army.mil) or call 636-9648/9120.

Women's Soccer: 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday for 8 or more players at the turf field behind the Ederle Inn. E-mail [carl.kerr@amedd.army.mil](mailto:carl.kerr@amedd.army.mil) or call 636-9632.



## Youth team plays Caldogno:

“Hornets” Guard Ashley Frank dribbles the ball down the court during a Youth Services Bantam team's game against the Caldogno 11 and younger basketball team in a friendly match Feb. 17 in Caldogno.

Photo by Sasha Sibilla

### COMMUNITY UNIT/REC OPEN PLAY DODGE BALL

Team	Win	Loss	C 106TH FMCO	0	0	The 2011 USAG-Vicenza Unit/Recreational Dodge Ball League began Feb. 15. Matches are Tuesday and Thursday at 6 and 7 p.m. Call the Fitness Center for specifics at 634-7009.
DESTINED CO	1	0	464TH MP PLT	0	0	
HHC 173RD SCOUTS	1	1	HHC MEDICS 2/503RD	0	1	