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FOB Naray aid station brings healing hands

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KUNAR PROVINCE, Afghanistan—Surrounded by snow covered mountains, the medical personnel of Task Force Saber work side-by-side to provide a first-class, life saving aid station on Forward Operating Base Naray located in northeastern Afghanistan along the Pakistan Border.

The FOB Naray aid station team is composed of medical personnel from the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team and the 160th Forward Surgical Team. Their first responsibility is to the U.S. Soldiers, whether it is caring for them when they are sick or injured, or treating Soldiers wounded in action.



Spc. Melissa A. Hoffman, Charlie Co., 173rd Brigade Support Battalion prepares an Afghan mother to draw blood for testing.

"The Soldiers know that we are here for them, and that has given me a lot of good feelings about being out here. It's a huge privilege to be able to take care of U.S. Soldiers," said Maj. Warren Cusick, a certified registered nurse-anesthetist and the officer-in-charge of the 160th FST.

"The main thing is for troops to have confidence and know when they go to fight they're going to be cared for if anything bad happens to them. I used to be enlisted, and one thing that made me feel confident was knowing I would get medical care," said Cusick.

Even though the aid station is only a series of tents, the Task Force Saber medical team delivers extraordinary medical care day and night as close to the fight as logistically possible.

"Our biggest challenge is ensuring that the U.S. personnel are taken care of when they get wounded in battle, and that is what we're always training for," said Capt. Scott M. Harrington, a family medicine doctor assigned to Charlie Company, 173rd Brigade Support Battalion.



Maj. Warren Cusick takes a moment to play with an infant brought in for treatment at the FOB Naray Aid Station in northeastern Afghanistan.

"In a big battle, we could have 10 or 20 Soldiers come at one time, and that's happened before. We handled it, we got everybody out, and we saved their lives," he said.

"I am much more emotionally invested out here because you're among friends. It's very scary when we know the guys are in harm's way," Harrington said.

"Every time somebody goes out, one of our medics from the aid station goes. Whenever they go on convoys, one of the medics I work with daily goes out with them," he added.

The Naray Aid Station does much more than provide medical care for American Soldiers. It's also providing life changing and life saving medical treatment to many Afghans, and when the need arises, enemy combatants.

"We have the best relationship with the aid station, they help us all the time," said Afghan National Army Capt. Amanullah, a general doctor assigned to the 3rd Kandak, 3rd Brigade, 201st Corps.

"When our soldiers are sick, first we treat them. We try to cure them by ourselves. If we are unable to cure them, we take them to the aid station and the good doctors help us," he said.

"We have a very good relationship with the surgeons," Amanullah said.

"I was worried and nervous about being treated by U.S. doctors, not knowing what to expect, but after arriving at the aid station and seeing how nice and kind everyone there was, I was okay," said Sherin Beg, a medic assigned to 3rd Kandak, 3rd Brigade, 201st Corps.

"Within an hour after arriving,

I was asleep on the operating table having my appendix removed; the next thing I was awake and it was all over," he said.

The majority of people in need of medical care at the aid station have turned out to be Afghan. Mostly by word-of-mouth, the doctors and medics are gaining the trust of the local people, and are building a solid reputation.



Sgt. Cody J. Vernon, prepares an Afghan stone mason to be medically evacuated to the Craig Joint Hospital on Bagram Airfield for possible surgery. The mason broke his back when a wall he was working on fell on him.

"Since we've been deployed, from May of 2007, the (aid station) has seen 5,400 local nationals in our five clinics throughout the upper Kunar Province," said Harrington.

"We see many children, adults, and fewer women, but everyday we're seeing more of the local nationals and more of their women because they're feeling more comfortable with us," he said.

An Afghan named Ramdad from the nearby village of Juba is one of the 5,400 people served by the Soldiers at the Saber run

aid stations.

"The first time I came to Coalition forces hospital on FOB Naray was three months ago when I brought my daughter for treatment because she was burned. I was not sure the doctors were going to take her, but they treated my daughter and the doctors did a good job," said Ramdad.

"I was very happy, and

because of that I brought my 3-year-old son, who is sick with pneumonia in for help.

"We are happy with the American doctors are taking care of our people because we are poor people, we are not able to take our sick family members out of the country, and it's helpful for us," he said.

"Being out here providing the care that I've been trained to do is why I joined the Army," Harrington said.

"I get to wake up everyday and know that I am doing the right thing."

Garrison news



173rd STB spouses make it spicy

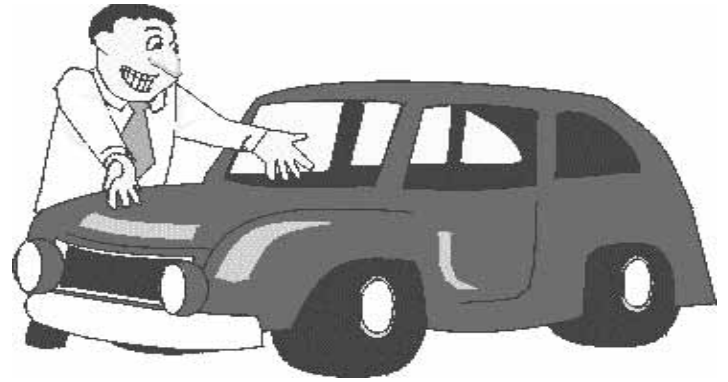
173rd Special Troops Battalion spouses, (L-R) Adelina Warriner, Brandy Morgan and Janelle Walden turn up the heat while dishing up dozens of tacos to Soldiers and civilians at Warner Barracks, Bamberg. The lunch time taco treats helped raise funds for the battalion's family readiness group. (Photo by James Fredrick)



In memory of King

Soldiers and civilians of the Vicenza Military Community march down Olson Ave. on Caserma Ederle in a symbolic recreation of Rev. Martin Luther King's march on Washington. A gathering held at the post theater preceded the march, where Marshall Fowler, manager of the South of the Alps Dining Facility, served as the guest speaker in honor of Rev. King. (Photo by Sgt. Justin Nieto, SETAF Public Affairs)

Want to buy a used car?



Check out U.S. government vehicle auction in Livorno

Interagency Fleet Management System (IFMS) Europe, will hold a Public Auction of used U.S. government vehicles Jan. 25 - Feb. 3 2008.

Bidding will be via live internet auction. Public inspection period will be Weds. Jan. 30, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.. Location - Leghorn Army Depot, IFMS Consolidated Vehicle Processing Center.

Beginning Jan. 25, vehicle photos, descriptions, and minimum bid starting prices can be found at:

<http://www.vebeg.de/web/en/auktionen/index.htm>

http://www.vebeg.de/web/en/auktionen/index.htm#t_parent

Prospective bidders must be registered with VEBEG in order to participate in the auction. For further information call Michela



Lagunari Regiment train on Ederle

Italian soldiers attempt to clear a building during their military-operations-in-urban-terrain training at Caserma Ederle. The soldiers from the Lagunari Regiment in Venice spent four days training on combat procedures used by the U.S. Army. Italian Command Sgt. Maj. "Hyena" Noviello, expressed the necessity of training the Italian soldiers on the techniques used by American Soldiers. "It is important to understand U.S. procedures, because we may need to work together with the American Soldiers," said Noviello. (Photo by Spc. Crystal Abbott, SETAF Public Affairs)

Speak Out

"What do you do to combat the winter blues?"

By Laura Kreider



Sgt. Dustin Hall

USAG Vicenza, HHC
I just like to think warm thoughts.



Kristy & Kimberly Heifetz

Family members
I try to get out and do something with friends at least once a week.



Sabrina Nausadis

Family member
I try to get out of the house as often as I can. I also dedicate some time to volunteering as well.



Tech Sgt. Jana Ross

704th MUNSS
I get out into the sunshine as often as I can with the entire family.



Liliana Georgi

USAG Vicenza
When the weather is really gloomy and depressing, I clear the air with different types of music and dance, until I have relieve the stress.

Garrison news

Persistence, flexibility key to finding work on post

Looking for jobs isn't easy, but there are ways to find help

Story and photos by Diana Bahr
USAG Vicenza Public Affairs

How hard it is to get a job on post?

"There are a limited number of jobs available on post," said Allie Vallery, Army Community Service Employment Readiness Program manager. "Unfortunately, the higher-level positions often require specialized or prior experience and many spouses don't qualify for these.

"But if you're persistent and flexible," continued Vallery, "this assignment could be a great way to start a new career or enhance one you already have."

Being flexible worked for Jil Hinds-Nicholson who took a position at Information, Tours and Registration.

"I was the director of operations for a market research company in California prior to moving here," said Hinds-Nicholson, whose husband, Spc. Anthony Nicholson, is currently in Afghanistan with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry (Airborne). "I actually flew over twice on my own dime to meet with Allie and check out the job situation. As I was making a six-figure income in California, I wasn't in a big hurry to move and take a pay cut."



Allie Vallery shows samples of resumes to Farrah Overman.

"I think the key to getting a job in a small community like this is being open-minded," she continued. "You're often able to do work here that you wouldn't be able to do in the states as many organizations pigeon-hole you into a specialty and you can't explore other options."

When Hinds-Nicholson made the move to Vicenza in July, she began volunteering at AFN. While she has prior experience in radio and television, it's not always necessary.

"Jil was a great volunteer who was motivated about helping the community," said Staff Sgt. Randall Jackson, AFN Vicenza station commander. "She had the skills that enabled her to immediately contribute to the AFN mission. We hope to work with volunteers like Jil in the future."

Sometimes spouses may take jobs that aren't on their wish list

while waiting for their dream job to come along. That's what Angela Zickrick did.

"I couldn't stand sitting around the house so I took a job at AAFES," she said.

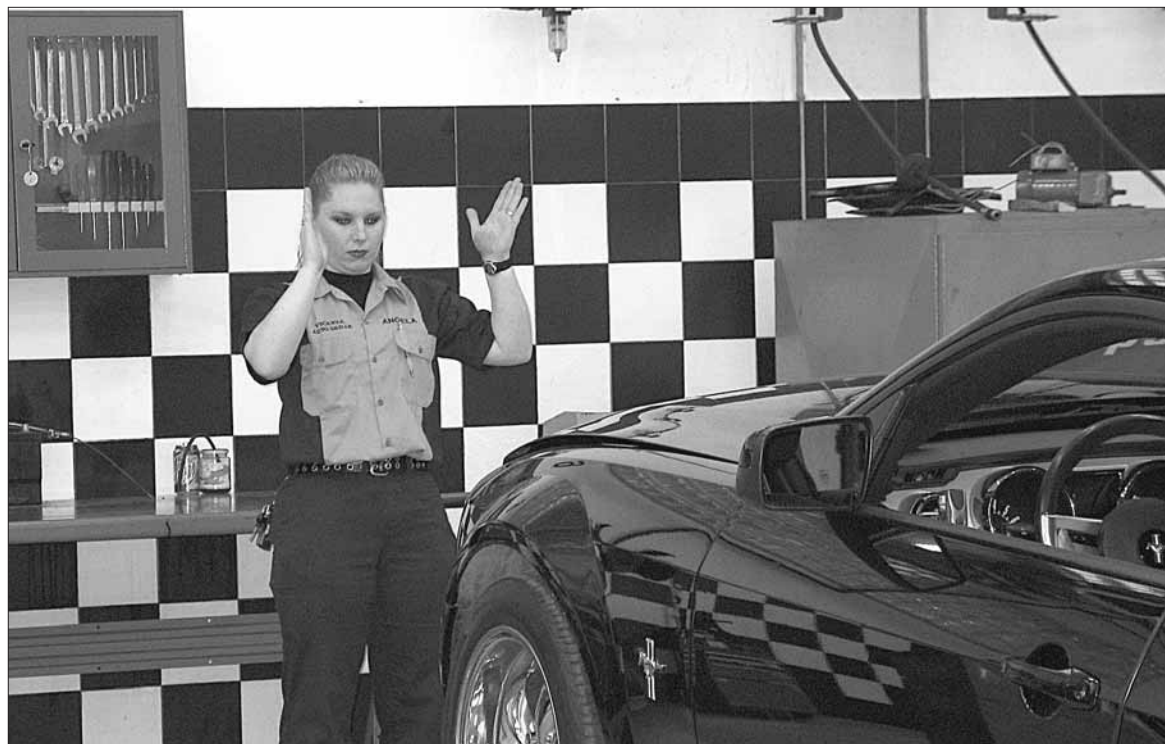
"But as it got closer for my husband's unit to deploy, I quit."

Zickrick's husband is a mechanic with Fusion Company, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry (Airborne) and that's her former profession.

"I spent 10 years in the military as a mechanic," she said with a grin. "I like working on vehicles and being 'one of the guys.'"

Being one of the guys comes in handy with Zickrick's new job as a technician at the Auto Skills Center. "I frequently have women come in here and say that they're glad to see a woman behind the desk," she said. "I think it makes them more comfortable talking to me about car problems."

While her husband is deployed, Zickrick is keeping busy with work and taking college classes and getting Automotive Service



Angela Zickrick, Vicenza Auto Skills Center worker, ground guides a client onto a ramp so he can work on his car. Zickrick, a former Army mechanic, has been working at the Auto Skills Center for four months.



Jil Hinds-Nicholson discusses the various ITR trips offered with Staff Sgt. Wilmer Aguilar, she has been working with ITR for about four months.

Excellence-certified, like the other Auto Skills workers. "I'm working on my bachelor's in business administration," she said. "I hope to finish my BA a year or so from now. Ideally, I'd like to run my own maintenance shop, but I'd be okay managing someone else's."

Since the deployment began Vallery has had nearly 900 requests for information and has worked one-on-one with more than 120 clients. College and volunteering are other options Vallery encourages clients to investigate.

"We are so lucky that we have many volunteer opportunities on

Employment Readiness Program facts

The Employment Readiness Program is designed to assist participants achieve their career goals. Specifically to:

- Enable spouses to relocate more readily with their military sponsors.
- Provide information on employment, education and volunteer opportunities.
- Assist participants in planning careers that are compatible with the mobile military lifestyle.
- Teach participants how to develop and use job search skills and strategies.
- Assist participants to find employment opportunities that meet their needs and interests.

Classes offered include Interviewing techniques, How the Resumix system works and

Transition back to the U.S.

Classes are offered on a reservation basis every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

The Employment Readiness Program also sponsors two jobs fairs each year – in May and October.

A community resource is the Employment Readiness Computer Lab. It is open to community members working on employment issues and has four workstations with Internet access and a printer. There is also a resource library with books and information on resume writing, career assessment and job transition information.

For details or to schedule an appointment, all Allie Vallery at 634-6884, 0444-71-6884 from off post.

this post," Vallery said

"People can volunteer at the dental and medical clinics, radio and television stations, the Outlook newspaper, mail room and more. The added advantage is that volunteering counts as experience on your resume. It's a great way to try something new and develop new skills," she said.

It all comes back to being

persistent and flexible, according to Vallery. Too often, she says, people apply for a couple of jobs, don't get an offer, so they stop looking. The key is to keep applying, keep interviewing and be flexible.

For more information on the Employment Readiness Program, call Vallery at 634-6884, or 0444-71-6884 from off post. You can also e-mail erp@vicenzamwr.com.

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Marinka Ritt

Community events

Head for Carnevale

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Whimsical costumes with elaborate masks create parades of color down the cobblestoned streets of Venice. People in their bright and fanciful costumes fill the streets during Carnevale.

Similar to the Mardi Gras celebrations, most famous in New Orleans and Rio de Janeiro, Carnevale is a time of merriment, feasting and voluntary madness, prior to the start of Lent.

The Carnevale masks and costumes originally broke down the social barriers between the upper and lower classes and allowed them to mingle freely.

Today, traditional style masks are available to purchase in many of the shops around Venice. Costume rentals are also available in some of the shops and through some of the hotels.

Today's Carnevale festival includes many elaborate balls, operas and parties that require the participants to be in costume. Many of these parties can be costly, with ticket prices ranging from 75 to 250 euros.

For those who want to enjoy the festival on a smaller budget, there are parades and public performances held in and around St. Marks Square, *Piazza San Marco*. It is also enjoyable to walk around viewing the varying flamboyance of the costumes and masks.

For those who enjoy photography, Carnevale is the perfect venue to get many colorful photos.

Some of the participants turn their costume into pieces of living art, as they pose and move in an artistic and fluid manner, flirting with the cameras that surround them.



However, Carnevale certainly isn't for everyone. The popularity of the festival brings in multitudes of people from all over the world. You will find

yourself stuck in large crowds with very little maneuvering room. All forms of transportation will have very long lines and likely standing room only.

It is possible to walk from the train or bus station to the square, but even the walkways are crowded, so be sure to safeguard your personal items. You may also want to consider

(Top to bottom) It's not just the past, but the future as well, as these Star Wars characters even made an appearance during last year's Carnevale. Flowing capes and fluffy feathers adorn most of the more elegant creations. All a glitter in gold and with a towering headress even a pharaoh could envy, this reveler walks through St. Mark's Square, *Piazza San Marco*.



(Center) Some of the more elaborate costumes are true renditions of Renaissance fashion and flamboyance.

(Right) Mixing the old with the new, wearing a Renaissance costume doesn't stop you from using the latest of digital cameras to capture photos of your fellow revelers. (Far right) Elegance and laughter mix together during the Carnevale activities.



Community events

Camp Darby dining options

Places to eat on Darby

Story and photo by
Joyce Costello

USAG Livorno Public Affairs

In the early morning hours, the crowd at Il Circolo Darby, also referred to as the Carabinieri coffee bar, has recently quadrupled in size. Airmen in mechanic's jumpsuits line up at the bar alongside their Italian counterparts. Ever since the Camp Darby Lion's Den Dining Facility served its final meals in December, community members have had to find new places to eat.

Some airmen like Senior Airman Jason Dotson, a 31st Munitions Squadron mechanic, chose to eat at Il Circolo because they like the fresh selection.

"This place is an awesome way to start my day," said Dotson. "It has a quiet atmosphere and that helps me get my mind set before I go into work. The breakfast they serve is not your typical American breakfast, but it is fresh and fast and I don't have to worry about parking because it is centrally located by all of our workshops."

"I like that there is no grease here," added Staff Sgt. Glen Daker. "In fact, I like to bring



Senior Airman Jason Dotson picks up cappuccini from Il Circolo Darby proprietors (L-R) Giovanna Corradini and Anna Masia. The coffee bar is open 5:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mon-Fri and 5:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturdays. They serve a selection of fresh sandwiches and pastries alongside juice and coffee.

my 6-year old daughter here for breakfast before I take her to school."

An initiative amongst the senior leaders is to make sure those living in the barracks have adequate cooking facilities.

"Currently our dorm only has one stove," said Poole. "We are working with Department of Public Works to make sure the troops have the necessary food preparation tools and area."

According to Aior Force

Master Sgt. Garret Watkins, once a month, the senior noncommissioned officers and officers get together to make lunch or breakfast for the airmen as an alternative to hot pockets and microwave food.

U.S. Army Garrison Livorno Commander, Lt. Col. Steven Cade added "The dining facility had enjoyed a long and prosperous relationship with the community.

We are sorry to see it close,

but leaders have done an excellent job in coming up with creative solutions to feed the force."

Eatery options on Camp Darby include the Bowling Alley Snack bar with new adjusted hours, the Italian mensa, Casa di Ghajia and the Shoppette, now open one hour earlier to accommodate the breakfast crowd. Additionally, Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation is scheduled to open Gazebo Grill in the upcoming weeks.



New USO opens doors

Story by Kyndra Rinard
USO Vicenza
Special to the Outlook

The USO has moved to new digs in Bldg. 9A across from the dining facility and colocated in the Warrior Transition Unit barracks and the new B.O.S.S., as well.

The new USO is not fully up and running, but it does not stop the home-sweet-home atmosphere according to Linda Lorenzana, USO director.

There is a comfortable sitting area with leather recliners to watch movies on a 50-inch flat-screen TV and a fully equipped kitchen to prepare a homecooked meal.

Don't forget the X-Box room, not yet live, but you can still come practice your Halo 3 before taking on the world. There will also be a new computer system with internet connections soon.

The USO is also offering a new class in Mediterranean cooking. The class size is limited and cost is \$296 for the eight sessions. It runs Feb. 1-May 16. Level I Introduction to Italian is underway now. Call 634-7156 for more information.



(Above) The new TV lounge at the USO features a 50-inch flat screen TV and a selection of DVDs or bring your own. The computers will soon be connected and the X-box room as well. (Right) The kitchen allows for home-cooked meals and the new Mediterranean cooking classes too. Thanksgiving dinner can be prepared here as well. (Photos by Gary L. Kieffer, Outlook editor)

Darby dates

Livorno in-service

The all day Livorno Unit School inservice originally scheduled for Jan. 18 is rescheduled to Feb. 1.

City sightseeing tickets

Discover the wealth of history of Italian cities on board the "Hop On - Hop Off" buses. Get on and off as often as you want for the entire day. Discover the lovely cities of Pisa, Florence and Rome at discounted prices.

For more info or to make a reservation, call ITR at DSN 633-7589/8231 or CIV 050 54 7589/8231.

Home of Pinocchio

Take a delightful trip to the picturesque town of Collodi-home of Pinocchio. Kids can work off extra energy at the Pinocchio Park, enjoy walks through the botanical gardens in Villa Garzoni or be captivated by the new Collodi Butterfly house.

ITR is providing transportation Jan 26, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., \$20 for adults and \$15 for children ages 3-10.

Convenience, low costs at Sea Pines Lodge

The Sea Pines Recreational Facilities located on Camp Darby offers a total of 39 renovated rooms.

During the winter, prices for standard rooms begin at \$50 and deluxe room start at \$60.

The Sea Pines is located on Camp Darby in Livorno Italy, about an hour outside of Florence and 20 minutes from Galileo Galilei Airport.

For information about the Sea Pines or reservations call DSN 633-7225 or civilian 00 39 050 54 7225 or e-mail lodging@eur.army.mil.

How to get there:

By Air- Check out low cost airlines that fly into Pisa (PSA)

www.pisa-airport.com

By Rail- Why waste a day of travel when you can catch an overnight train.

www.trentitalia.com

By Car- Located off the A11/A12 Autostrade, exit Pisa Centro.

www.autostrade.it

Out & About

By Dorothy Spagnuolo

Carnival time

Carnival time in Venice this year is Jan. 25 through Feb. 5, the title this year is 'Sensation.' Plenty of sensations between *calli* and *campielli*, the typical venetian streets and small squares.

In five neighborhoods, the *sestieri*, all of your senses will be stimulated: in Castello-hearing, San Polo-sight, Cannaregio-taste, Dorso Duro-touch, Santa Croce-smell and added is a sixth sense San Marco 'the hub.'

Official opening of events takes place at noon on Jan. 27 in Piazza San Marco with the *Volo della*

Colombina.

Vicenza different events in the town center Feb. 1 through 5 to include a brass band the 'Original Kocani Orchestra' playing in Piazza Castello at 4 p.m.

Malo carnival parade with floats, Jan. 27, Feb. 3 and Feb. 5 all days starting at 2 p.m. Following the parade on Jan. 27 will be Hawaiian dancing, on Feb. 3 oriental dancing.

In the Bevilacqua castle, province of Verona, a last day of the carnival dinner will take place at 8:30 p.m. on Feb. 5, cost is 40 euro all inclusive plus entertainment.

One of the largest carnival

parades in Italy is in the town of Cento. It will take place Jan. 27 and Feb. 10, 17 and 24. Parade starts at 2 p.m. each day, there is an entrance fee into the carnival area, last year the cost was 15 euro. The website in Italian only www.carnevalecento.com.

Exhibitions

Padova - The Auto Expo 2008 exhibition takes place Jan. 26 - 27 in the city's exhibition grounds. Last year 22,000 visitors browsed the 170 cars on show and the 70 companies present with accessories for the car and the driver, even more are expected this year.

Outside the exhibition hall there will be go-kart races and stunt car exhibitions. Open Saturday 9 a.m.-11 p.m.; Sunday 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Entrance fee 12 euro.

Verona - *Viva la Casa* an exhibition of furnishings, home accessories and wedding articles; including sections of contemporary furniture and design takes place at the exhibition grounds Jan. 25, 26 and 27.

Last year this exhibition was visited by more than 40,000 individuals. Open Jan. 25: 4-10 p.m., entrance fee 4 euro; Jan. 26-27: 10 a.m.-7 p.m. entrance fee 7 euro, children under 12 years of age: free. The exhibition grounds are located near the Verona south autostrada exit.

Other events

The ice rink in Jesolo is open until Feb. 10. Opening hours: weekdays including Saturday: 3-10 p.m.; Sunday: 10 a.m.-noon and 3-11 p.m., cost 10 euro for an hour;

Still time to see the mechanical nativity scene in the town of Villaverla, it will be open Jan. 26-27 from 9 a.m.-8 p.m.;

Winter hours for visiting the tourist sites in Vicenza are: the Teatro Olimpico 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Museo Risorgimento e Resistenza, found just past the church of Mount Berico 9 a.m.-1 p.m.-2:15-5 p.m., both are open Tuesdays through Sunday;

International hot-air balloon rally Feb. 13-17 in Aosta.

Turin marathon

The 18th Torino Marathon this year takes place on April 13. The course starts from Via Po and finishes outside the near the

medieval castle of the city.

The marathon, for 18 years of age and over, will take you through some of Torino's surrounding towns, it's green parks and the most beautiful streets of the city center. Fee includes use of changing rooms, left-runners' bags depot, hot showers, candy and pasta party after the race, massage therapists, water, tea, candy, first aid. Time limit is 6 hours.

The earlier you can register the more discount is available — full information in English from www.turinmarathon.it

Genghis Khan is back

In the Casa dei Carraresi, in Treviso, the exhibition 'Gengis Khan e il Tesoro dei Mongoli,' **Genghis Khan and the Treasure of the Mongoli** is taking place.

The Casa hosts the world premiere exhibition of over 300 precious and extremely rare finds, on loan from Chinese museums and taken from recent archaeological excavations in the northern regions beyond the Great Wall, where China's history was determined by protagonists of the Wu Dai, Xi Xia, Liao, Jin, Song and Yuan Dynasties.

The exhibition is divided into five sections: Gold of the steppes; Genghis Khan and the conquests of the Mongol Empire; the voyage of Marco Polo and the triumph of the Silk Road; the mysteries of the dynasties beyond the Great Wall and the last section, the most beautiful porcelain of all time. Open until May 4 on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9 a.m.-7 p.m.; Friday, Saturday, Sunday 9 a.m.-8 p.m., closed Monday. Entrance fee 9 euro.



Children throw confetti from one of the floats during a past parade held in Malo. The float is the one starting the parade with Ciacci, the clown, which is the symbol of the Carnival of the town since 1974. The first official parade took place in 1924 with a contest of the participating floats. This year, Malo will hold three parades: the first on Sunday, the second the following Sunday Feb. 3 and the last one will take place on Mardi Gras, Feb. 5. All of them will start at 2 p.m. (Photo by Laura Kreider, Outlook Staff)

Now Showing

Caserna Ederle Theater

Jan. 23	Mr. Magorium's Wonder Emporium (G)	6 p.m.
Jan. 24	Lions for Lambs (R)	6 p.m.
Jan. 25	Cloverfield (PG-13) (1st run)	6 p.m.
	Beowulf (PG-13)	9 p.m.
Jan. 26	Enchanted (PG)	3 p.m.
	Beowulf (PG-13)	6 p.m.
Jan. 27	Cloverfield (PG-13) (1st run)	6 p.m.
	Enchanted (PG)	6 p.m.

Camp Darby Theater

Jan. 24	Lions for Lambs (R)	6 p.m.
Jan. 25	The Bucket List (PG-13) (1st Run)	6 p.m.
Jan. 26	Beowulf (PG-13)	6 p.m.
Jan. 27	Enchanted (PG)	2 p.m.

Admission: Age 12 and over \$4, under age 12, \$2.
The Ederle Theatre box office opens one hour prior to show time.

Movie Synopsis

ENCHANTED - Amy Adams, James Marsden-The tale follows the beautiful princess Giselle as she is banished by an evil queen from her magical, musical animated land and finds herself in the gritty reality of the streets of modern-day Manhattan. Shocked by this strange new environment, Giselle is now adrift in a chaotic world badly in need of enchantment. But when Giselle begins to fall in love with a charmingly flawed divorce lawyer who has come to her aid — even though she is already promised to a perfect fairy tale prince back home — she has to wonder:
Rated PG (scary images, mild innuendo) 110 min

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new look • new categories • new login required



Community notes

Vicenza food court closures

Anthony's Pizza will be closed from Jan. 21-27.

Taco Bell will be closed from Jan. 28-30.

The closures are due to regular maintenance and repairs.

It's Girl Scout cookie time

Girl Scout cookies are coming to Vicenza and include all of your favorites—Samoas, Thin Mints, and Tagalongs, plus several new varieties. They will be sold on weekends in February at the post exchange and commissary, or order them from your favorite Scout.

Sales won't last long and supplies are limited. Call Nancy at 349-520-9980 if you have questions.

Voice lessons

SKIES Unlimited is offering an all-new class: voice lessons for youth, ages 6-18, at Villaggio FCC room Mondays and Fridays by appointment. Call CYS for details at 634-8051.

Imagine your stress away

ACS and Family Advocacy teaches you the ancient techniques of guided imagery in order to help reduce unwanted stress in your life. Can it work for you? Find out on Jan. 28 from noon-1 p.m. Reservations are required so call 634-7314 today.

Acoustic guitar jam

Soldiers' Theatre is delighted to feature the talented Roberto Dalla Vecchia Jan. 25 and 26 as he performs folk-bluegrass acoustic guitar tunes with his signature flatpick style.

Showtime is 7:30 p.m. and tickets are on sale now for \$8. Call 634-7281.

MOMS Club events

Everyone is invited.

Exercise class (bring kids) at the fitness center gym, 2nd floor Jan. 25, 1:30 p.m.

MOMS Club monthly meeting

Jan. 28, 10 a.m. at the chapel

For more information regarding MOMS Club and our activities please email momsclubofvicenza@yahoo or contact Deanna at 0444945105 or Amber at 3347008443.

Give your home some TLC

Nothing adds more appeal to a room than a new piece of stylish

furniture.

Jan. 23, ITR gives you the inside track to one of the best wood furniture makers outside Verona.

Browse the pieces online www.sommacal.com and then see them for yourself firsthand.

Call ITR at 634-7094.

Upcoming strikes

The following is from the Italian Ministry of Transportation and is accurate as of Jan. 14.

Jan. 28: Postponed by the Transportation Ministry under the article cool down rule.

Feb. 8: Alitalia pilots only, does impact on other airlines such as Air One or foreign carriers.

VCC Scholarships

Are you a Vicenza Community Club member or family member and interested in furthering your education?

This year's scholarship application packets are now available for pick-up at the post Thrift Shop, Library or Davis Soldier and Family Readiness Center.

High School seniors do not need to be VCC members and can pick up application packets from their high school guidance counselor.

All scholarship applications must be completed and postmarked by Feb. 29.

For details call Danielle Bentz at 320-378-1586 or ezds4fam@yahoo.com.

Need help paying for College?

Global Credit Union is offering two \$4,000 scholarships. Applicants must be primary members of Global Credit Union. For more details and to apply, stop by the Credit Union Monday through Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Application deadline is April 1.

WTU trout fishing tournament

The Warrior Transition Unit, Vicenza, is invited to a fishing tourney Jan. 23, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be given.

The tourney takes place at the Laghi Verdi fishing lake in Valprodi Quinto Vicentino, about 10km east of Caserma Ederle.

In addition to four 50-minute rounds of fishing there will be a typical Italian lunch of pasta and grilled meats in the Lake Lodge from noon-1:15 p.m.

This event is made possible by a combined efforts of the Vicenza

Outdoor Recreation, Vicenza Chapter of the VFW, Global Credit Union, General Services Administration and Bank of America, Vicenza.

After the fishing join us for a fish barbecue/grill Jan. 25.

Vicenza health clinic info

***Flu Program.** The Health Center has walk-in hours, Monday-Wednesday-Friday, from 1-3:30 p.m. for adults who want to receive the flu vaccination. Children may receive the vaccination on a walk-in basis during duty days from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. except for Thursdays, 1-3:30 p.m.

*** Infant Car Seat program.** The Vicenza Health Center received 21 Infant car seats as part of a community grant from the VMSCC. The intent is to give the car seats to families in need. POC is Ray Hernandez, Preventive Medicine Service, 634-8010.

*** Dermatologist arrival.** The Vicenza Health Center is proud to announce the arrival of Lt. Col. (Dr.) Joseph Wilde to our community. Wilde will begin providing Dermatology services mid to late February.

AFTB celebration

Army Family Team Building launch their new Level III classes "Make a Difference Through Leadership."

Stop by ACS Jan. 30, 1:30 p.m. in Davis Soldier and Family Readiness Center, bldg 108, for refreshments and a look at what this new series has to offer.

Classes will begin in February. Call 634-7500 for information.

CYS pre-school space available

Parents of children aged 3-5 who are not already enrolled in part-day or part-time preschool at CYS are encouraged to enroll now. Plenty of space is available in the 2-day program offered from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and the 3-day program offered from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Mon, Wed and Fridays.

Limited space is available in the 5-day program offered from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Enroll at the CYS Central Registration Office located in the Davis Soldier and Family Readiness Center.

Parents are encouraged to inform the Central Registration Office if they intend to enroll a child who will be turning three years old in the next two months. This is not a waiting list, but it will them plan for future space requirements.

Call the office (634-7219 or 7206), give the name and birthdate of the child, and the program in which they intend to enroll.

Security specialist needed

The DoDDS Mediterranean District Superintendent's Office is seeking applicants for a Physical Security Specialist, GS-0080-11.

This is a full-time position, open to candidates currently residing in the Vicenza community.

The closing date of the announcement is Feb. 4, 2008. Stop by the DoDDS Mediterranean District Human Resources Office for a copy of the vacancy

announcement, Bldg. 307, Second Floor, or visit <http://www.med-dso.eu.dodea.edu/vacancies.htm>.

Theater volunteers needed

Participate in all aspects of Music and Theatre production. Volunteers needed to build sets, paint, construct costumes, run lights, serve refreshments and a host of other important duties which serve our arts community. Call Ross or Bonnie at 634-7281 or 0444-71-7281.

Rubber stamping class

Learn the latest techniques in rubber stamping and scrap book art. Class is for all levels Jan. 31, 12:30 p.m. Class includes tips on cleaning, storing, home decor and shopping tips, along with the ideas for creating your own artwork, gifts, invitations and memory pages. Sign up at the Art Center located inside ODR or call 634-7074.

Use credit wisely

Not all credit is bad. ACS Financial Readiness teaches you the advantages and the pitfalls of using credit. Learn how to manage your credit, don't let it run your life. Call 634-7500 to register for this informative class on Jan 30 3-4 p.m. Reservations are required.

Interested in joining a book club

An adult Book Club can be a great way to stay on top of the latest bestsellers and make new friends. Discussing the books read often brings new insight and appreciation to a favorite past time.

If you are interested in having a book club please see Steven Brown the librarian to express your interest and leave contact information. Teens why not have your own Book Club with books that interest you. Call Brown @ 634-8419 or email Steven.Brown@eur.army.mil.

ITR President's weekend trip

There is no place like Rome. Spend President's Day Weekend there, Feb. 16-18. ITR makes it easy by booking your hotel, transportation, tours and trip assistance. Call 634-7094 for details and reservations.

Office manager job in Rome

Ref. No. ABMC 08-01. The American Battle Monuments Commission, a U.S. Government organization located in Rome, Italy, has a permanent position opening for an office manager-executive assistant available March 2008. Work schedule is 40 hours per week.

The following job requirements are essential and only qualified candidates will be considered: university degree or equivalent work experience; 5-7 years work experience in a

Religious Activities

Ederle Chapel

For details call the chapel at: 634-7519 (0444-71-7519).

Weekday Mass

Mass is now held at noon Wednesday-Monday.

Saturday services

4-4:30 p.m.: Sacrament of Reconciliation, or by appointment
5 p.m.: Roman Catholic Mass

Sunday services

9 a.m.: Catholic Mass
10:45 a.m.-noon: Catholic Religious Education
11 a.m.: Protestant worship
1:30 p.m.: Full Gospel Pentecostal worship and Children's church
4 p.m.: Lutheran Services
6 p.m.: Contemporary worship

Muslim services

The khutba and prayer will take place in the post chapel conference room Fridays, just after noon.

Jewish services

For details regarding traditional Jewish meals and services, contact Dr. Steven or Nancy November at november6@msn.com.

Club Beyond

For details about Club Beyond youth activities, contact the chapel or Jocelyn Cary at 340-385-3476.

Darby Chapel

For details call the chapel at: 633-7267 (50-54-7267).
8:30 a.m.: Catholic Reconciliation
9:30 a.m.: Catholic Mass
11:15 a.m.: Protestant worship

high level administrative role such as finance and accounting, human resources, procurement or business management; mother tongue proficiency in both spoken and written English and Italian; proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite.

Supervisory experience is highly desirable. Non-EU applicants must have a valid residency/work permit at time of application, a copy of which must be attached to the application.

Submit complete applications in English to include a cover letter and a current detailed C.V. to: American Battle Monuments Commission, Human Resources Division, c/o U.S. Embassy, Via V. Veneto 119/a, 00187, Rome, Italy, or Fax: 06-4871624 or e-mail: simpsonc@abmc.gov and locastroi@abmc.gov.

Closing date is Feb. 3, 2008.

Ask Tax Man

Mark Christensen, chief, Client Services, OSJA, will answer your tax questions live Jan. 29 on AFN 106FM. Call 634-7583 or CIV 0444-71-7583 in the 9 a.m. hour, or you can call in your questions between 6-9 a.m. and deejay Spc. James Kever will tape your questions.

The Vicenza Tax Center opens Jan. 28, hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on a walk-in basis. If you have a complicated return, drop it off and they'll get back to you. Call 634-7041 for details.



Mark 'The Tax Man' Christensen

Estate claims

Anyone having any claims on, or obligations to the estate of Pfc. Brian Lee Gorham of D-Co., 1-503rd Inf., 173rd ABCT, should call the SMCO, Maj. Charles O. McKeithen, DSN 634-4814 or Charles.O.Mckeithen@us.army.mil.

Cougars split victories 2 and 2

More wins for the girls, more losses for the boys

Story and photos by
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Already halfway through the basketball season and the Vicenza High School basketball girl's team is still undefeated.

This past weekend, they competed against the Ansbach Cougars and won two more.

Both games were held at the Vicenza post gym. The girls won handily Friday, 38-15 and continued on Saturday with a 45-26 win.

Vicenza, No.23, Chakeira Gilbert was the high scorer with 19 and 20 points respectively and gave a big boost to the team's offense.

"We played good as a team," Gilbert said after their victories.

"Our defense played well today as well as yesterday. There are not too many things we need to work on. Overall, we played well in both games. I am really proud of my team and excited to see how far the team will go," she added.

This coming Saturday, the Vicenza Cougars will meet Naples, which is also undefeated, and Gilbert thinks it will certainly be an exciting game.

Although the VHS boys were victorious last week - defeating Milan, this week they lost both games.

"This is a good game to prepare for the upcoming games against Naples and then Aviano," commented the Vicenza coach Pat Hooper after Saturday's game.

According to Hooper, Vicenza needs to improve their passes and making better decisions.

Some of the Vicenza players referred to Saturday's game explaining that it was a hard game.

"It was a good game, but we made some mistakes we shouldn't have made," said Junior Vimoto.

Focusing on which mistakes, Mike Weston, who is playing his first year with the Vicenza Cougars, analyzed both games.

"Ansbach has a team that consists of players who are faster and bigger than us. In the first game we were able to stick with them in the first half, but they quickly took over the game after the break. The biggest problem we had was our turnovers," Weston said.

The second game was probably more difficult from the start and the Ansbach Cougars were determined to maintain possession of the ball throughout all four periods.

Final results for the boy's games, Friday; Ansbach vs. Vicenza, 45-30, Saturday 77-36.

The Cougars will meet Naples Jan. 25-26, and the following week Feb 1-2, they will compete against MMI.

On Feb. 8-9, they will go to Aviano before the Europeans tourney that will take place at Manheim, Germany on Feb. 20-

(Right) Vicenza Cougars No. 22, Ariel Vimoto releases a short jump shot against Ansbach's player No. 32, Staci Thomas. (Below) Cougars' Chakeira Gilbert, No. 23, goes for another layup against the Ansbach's defense.



(Above) Vicenza's player No. 33, Adriona Cleveland, holds her defensive position stopping her opponent Ansbach's Chantelle Ponder during Saturday's winning game.



(Above, Left) VHS Cougars' No. 23., Xavier Taylor adds two points in another layup against the strong Ansbach's defense. (Left) Cougar No. 32, Drew Owens, makes his move towards the basket passing Ansbach's player No. 44, Jacob Burnside, during the second game Saturday morning. (Above, Right) Vicenza player No. 11, Mike Weston, fights for control in the Ansbach's defensive zone. (Right) Surrounded by Ansbach players, Cougars' Diego Pulido, No. 33, passes to Xavier Taylor who is open.



Sports shorts

Bowling Center closing

The Ederle Lanes Bowling Center will close on Jan. 29. All game cards should be cashed out prior to Jan. 21.

A totally new bowling center will open in the New Entertainment Center this fall. In the mean time MWR will begin renovation and expansion of the Fitness Center into this area. For information call 634-7013.

CYS baseball season

Registration for CYS Baseball ages 3-14 will be Feb. 1-27. There are limited slots available so register early. Children will be playing in an Italian Baseball League April 12 -June 7. Practice begins March 31.

You must register and should bring a health assessment that is valid thru the season and payment of \$46 with you to register at CYS Central Registration. Call 634-7219 for information.

Officials clinic

Little League Officials Clinic will be held Feb.11 - 15, at the Villaggio CYS Training.

If you are 18 years and older and interested in earning extra money as a baseball official for the CYS Sports and Fitness program, you can earn \$25.00 - \$35.00 per game. Games are on Sat. during the months of April - June. This is a certification you can use in the States also. Call Georgia at 634-6151 to sign up or email her at georgia.salyer@eur.army.mil.

Soccer tournament

Get together for some soccer fun. The Sports Office is hosting a 5 vs. 5 soccer tournament on Feb. 15-16. Mandatory coaches meeting is Feb. 14, 3 p.m. at the Fitness Center. Call 634-7009 for information.

February 5k Fun Run

Need Chocolate for motivation? Join Sports and Fitness in the Feb. 9 Fun Run/Walk and indulge in a piece of chocolate at the finish line. Race time is 11 a.m. with pre-brief at 10:45. This race is fun for everyone. Call 634-7009 to register.

Women of Vicenza: Stand strong

Develop self-defense skills Jan. 26, at 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Offered by Deployment Special Events and Family Advocacy participants can learn safety, self-awareness, protection, strength, confidence, and ability.

Reservations are required, call 634-7500.