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Jan. 29
8:05 a.m. live
on AFN 106



The monthly Up Front will be hosted by USAG Vicenza Commander Col. Erik Daiga Jan. 29. Topics include deployment support.

In the studio with Daiga will be deployment specialists from ACS to talk about programs available to families of deployed Soldiers. Can't get 106 FM on your radio? It will be broadcast on Channel 142 on your AFN decoder.

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No Driving Day

Because of high concentration of traffic pollutants, Sunday is a "no-driving" day in Vicenza from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. in all posted ZTL (no traffic zone) restricted areas. The ordinance applies to all vehicles including those with AFI registration.

Sky Soldier killed in Afghanistan

Staff report

A Soldier with the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, currently deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, was killed Jan. 13.

Sgt. Lucas T. Beachnaw, 23, of Lowell, Mich., was killed by enemy small-arms fire as he led his squad to prevent an enemy element from engaging the company-decisive position in Kunar Province, Afghanistan. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment (Airborne), 173rd ABCT. Beachnaw served in the Army for almost four years. He was on his second deployment to Afghanistan, both with the 173rd ABCT.

He is survived by his wife, Kimberly, his mother, Jeanne Beachnaw of Lowell, Mich., and his father

Kevin Beachnaw of Charlotte, Mich.

He has been recommended for posthumous awards of the Bronze Star Medal and the Purple Heart Medal.

"Sergeant Beachnaw enlisted in an Army at war. He volunteered for service in the Airborne Infantry. He completed a 15-month tour with the 173rd ABCT in Afghanistan in 2008 and returned in 2009, because he knew that the mission was not yet completed. He risked his life, side by side with the Sky Soldiers he led, so that the people of Kunar Province, Afghanistan, could live free of tyranny" said Col. Jim Johnson, 173rd ABCT commander. "His service was exemplary and will be remembered."

A memorial service is set Feb. 4 at the post chapel.



Beachnaw
Age: 23
Of Lowell, Mich.



Photo by Laura Kreider

SUPPORTING OUR FAMILIES: Rita Bonamego, the ACS Mobilization & Deployment program manager, conducts a raffle with prizes from the local area during the quarterly Family Readiness Group Leaders, and Senior Spouse Forum and luncheon Tuesday. The meeting and luncheon combined food, information and lively conversation for participants. Bonamego hosts the event to gather key personnel together as guest speakers and provide the latest information on family support programs and services available in Vicenza. Among Tuesday's speakers was Vicenza Health Center Commander Col. Kim Armstrong, who discussed the future of the health center and the plans to enhance services. For more information on Family Readiness, call 634-8523.

American Red Cross accepting donations for Haiti relief

By ADRIANE FOSS
Outlook Editor

A 7.0 magnitude earthquake struck Haiti Jan. 12 near the capital of Port-au-Prince, one of the largest cities in the Caribbean. Haitian officials fear an estimated 200,000 people to be dead.

"The community's support is especially important as we have personnel stationed at Vicenza who have family members in Haiti and who are affected by this crisis," said Barry Hall, Vicenza's Red Cross station manager.

"What we need most are financial contributions," explained Hall. According to an American Red Cross news release, items such as clothes are not helpful right now because there is nowhere to store them, shipping donated goods is costly and particularly difficult in the aftermath of a disaster. The release notes that the few remaining routes can be clogged easily with shipments of non-priority items.

Hall said anyone who wants to help those affected by the earthquake can make a donation by check, online or by phone to the American Red Cross International Response Fund at Redcross.org or by calling 1-800-RED-CROSS.

How to give

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CROSS

DCGs welcomed to USARAF staff

Story by Sgt. Maj.
KIMBERLY WILLIAMS
U.S. Army Africa

U.S. Army Africa welcomed two new deputy commanding generals to the team during a ceremony today at 10:30 a.m. on Hoekstra Field.

The process to add the new positions of deputy commanding generals was a top priority for the command, culminating in the selections of Brig. Gen. David S. Elmo, U.S. Army

Reserve, and Brig. Gen. Isaac G. Osborne Jr., U.S. Army National Guard, said Col. Marcus De Oliveira, U.S. Army Africa chief of staff.

"Consequently, we thought it was important to bring them here for this ceremony to formally welcome them to our community," he said.

Both general officers will report to U.S. Army Africa for an average of 40-70 active duty days a year, most of which will be served on missions in Africa or the United States.

"This provides us formal relationship back to the Army Reserve and National Guard and expands our reach in Africa," De

Oliveira said.

"Because U.S. Army Africa is relatively small in numbers, we are very much dependent on Reserve and National Guard support of individuals and units to perform missions in Africa," he said.

In his civilian career, Elmo is a United States diplomat, recently assigned as the management officer of the United States Consulate in Milan, Italy. Osborne works for



Osborne



Elmo

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Got questions? Pharmacy team able to assist

USAG Vicenza Health Center

Soldiers and families with questions about their medications don't have to worry about where to get information.

The Vicenza Pharmacy team stands ready to address these and many other issues our service members and families have navigating the changing world of medicines, health care and self care.

The Vicenza Pharmacy staff can provide community members with answers to questions about online health information, and how food, medicines or dietary supplements affect how medicines work.

Some interactions can be dangerous. When picking up a new medicine, ask if it will work safely with other prescription

and nonprescription medicines you may be taking. Remember to tell the pharmacy staff about any herbal products that you may be using.

"When a patient keeps the pharmacist up-to-date on all prescription and nonprescription medications being taken and asks important questions, the pharmacist can monitor the patient's treatment and help guarantee a healthy result," said Mr. Steve Morse, RPh.

"Patients can help manage their own care by reading the label, knowing the active ingredient in their medications, and if they have questions, asking one of our pharmacists," said Capt. Brandi Schuyler, OIC Pharmacy Services.

"We also can help them understand



A patient shows her ID card to Julen Crittenden, pharmacy technician, before picking up her medications at the Vicenza Health Center.

Photo by Jo Penhallegon

how to best store medications at home or during deployments and what medications they as a consumer should have on hand," said Schuyler. "We will

be glad to advise on restrictions on use after a medication reaches its expiration date and we are offer to dispose of expired or unwanted medications."

Security experts offer tips to protect against break-ins

USAG Vicenza AT Office

Home robberies and theft are a fact of life around the world and our community is no different.

Since 2007, 44 members of the U.S. military community at Camp Ederle have had a home robbery.

The USAG Vicenza Antiterrorism Office tracks and analyzes burglary incidents and conducts surveys of homes to identify trends. Some trends they've found over the past year are:

- Robberies do not always occur at night or when a home is empty.

- Burglars are not normally interested in larger items (electronics, etc). They look for high-value items that can be easily carried, especially jewelry.

- Burglars search for valuables in areas they consider likely hiding places (e.g., master bedrooms, bathrooms).

- Burglars take advantage of opportunities to gain entry, such as open or unlocked shutters.

- There has not been a single burglary in a home with an operational, armed



Courtesy graphic

A USAG-Vicenza Antiterrorism Office specialist points out damage showing where a window was forced open in the past, in this security-awareness graphic. The AT office can conduct surveys on homes to help residents find ways to improve security. For more information, call 634-8069, 634-8984 or 634-2014.

alarm system in the past three years.

According to trends of robberies in and around Vicenza, burglars enter homes by these means:

- 34 percent through the front door,
- 23 percent through first floor windows,
- 22 percent through the back door,
- 9 percent through the garage,
- 6 percent through unlocked storage rooms and storage areas,
- 4 percent through the basement and
- 2 percent through second floor windows.

Security experts recommend taking a few measures to help protect your home and valuables from burglary.

- Consider purchasing a home alarm system. Local merchants can install a system for around 1,000 euros and up.

- Close and lock your shutters and windows at night and when you're gone.

- Hide valuables in areas where burglars are unlikely to search. Never leave them in plain view.

- Place an object in the track of sliding doors to prevent someone opening it.

- Report suspicious incidents such as people watching your home.

To help people who want to improve the security of their home, the USAG-Vicenza Antiterrorism Office conducts home security surveys. Call 634-8069, 634-8984 or 634-2014 for assistance.

Speak Out

What are the top three things you like about living in Italy?



Staff Sgt.
Rosemary Hernandez
HSC USARAF - SJA

"I love the fresh food, active family lifestyle and the athletic community here."



Cari McElmurry
Family member

"Travel opportunities, food and wine and markets and shopping."



Marcus & Amy Nielsen
Fire Department

"The food, the fact that it is centrally located in Europe (so travel is easy) and the relaxed lifestyle."



Sgt. Heonan Bilbao
Santiago
HHC, 2-503rd

"People here are friendlier than most countries, the wine and food."



Alba (5) & Esperanza (9)
Rader
Family members

"Hiking, traveling and pizza."

AFN broadcasting AFRICOM documentary

Join AFN's Gail McCabe Monday at 9 p.m. on AFN Prime Pacific for "The Promise of AFRICOM," a half-hour special program. This in-depth documentary offers a look into programs and initiatives of U.S. Africa Command and U.S. Army Africa, headquartered in Vicenza, Italy, in three African nations.



Ask the Doc: Communicate with children about deployment

By Dr. (Lt. Col.) BOB MCKENZIE
Chief, Behavioral Health
USAG Vicenza Health Center

Parents need to communicate with their children in ways that are developmentally appropriate. Different kids will understand things in different ways, based on their age, maturity and the context in which things are being discussed.

Timing and what is being shared are important factors. Children have different emotional and cognitive capacities, so organizing our conversations and interventions by age group might be a good strategy.

Infants younger than 1 year old mainly require that their very basic needs are met. They need to be held and nurtured in order to thrive. If their needs are met, their world is safe. If their parent is doing well, most infants will be doing well. Eating difficulties may be a sign of distress.

Toddlers ages 1-3 take their cues from their parents, or other caregivers. They respond how you respond. If their parent or caregivers are doing well, they will be doing well. These children do not understand abstract concepts, so answer them with reassurance and optimism.

Kids this age have no concept of time. A 3-year-old thinks that three months is next week. You need to use markers, like "Daddy/Mommy will be home right before/after your birthday

or before this holiday." Signs of distress in this age group may be sleep problems, temper tantrums or a lack of interest in their toys or activities.

Toddlers respond to increased attention and physical reassurance. Spend time with them and give them lots of hugs. Let your child set their own pace. Most kids will have no difficulties at all.

Preschoolers ages 3-6 will absorb all the emotions in their environment, good and bad. They are like little sponges. If their environment is full of positive emotions, they will be too.

Kids at this age may experience some guilt, believing that Dad left because they were bad or fear that the other parent will be leaving. Talk with them. They have a better concept of time and understand that three months is a long time.

Calendars are helpful. You can mark the calendar and say that this is the day dad/mom is supposed to come home.

Preparing some canned statements like "Your dad/mom is busy doing their job and they are safe," or "I bet they miss you too," and then distract them onto another topic

may be helpful. Signs of distress may include increased irritability, becoming withdrawn, sad or aggressive. They may begin to complain about various physical complaints like headaches or stomachaches.

Reassure them with extra attention and physical closeness. Make the point that deployments are job related, not kid related.

School-aged children (6-12 years)

understand time and bigger concepts. They can mark the calendar and discuss larger topics, but remember they are not adults. Older or more mature kids in this group understand more complicated concepts like

the "national good," or that mom/dad went away to take care of the bad guys.

Reinforce their skills by providing them with pre-stamped envelopes, as well as private e-mail accounts (as appropriate) for communicating with their deployed parent. Some children in this age may harbor resentment over missed events, like birthdays or graduations.

Remember, your kids are allowed to have their own feelings too, and they need to talk about them. Be available.

They may begin to demand more time and attention from you, so be aware. Maintain routines. Kids respond to structure. Structure equals security.

Teenagers (12-18 years) are a challenging age group. This is an emotional period of time under the best of circumstances. Most teenagers should be able to understand advanced concepts and manipulate information and language like most adults. Under stress teenagers may become more irritable.

They may act out or engage in other risk taking or attention seeking behaviors. They will continue to deny or minimize any problems they may be having, so stay engaged and be available to talk when they are ready.

Whether this is your first or your fifth deployment, change causes stress. Everyone is allowed to have a little difficulty during times of change, even you. You can expect to see some changes in your child's behavior, most of which are temporary. Be patient. Talk with them. Reassure them and maintain your routines and expectations.

If you or your children begin to experience increased distress, which does not seem to go away, then a visit to your primary care provider, chaplain or mental health counselor may be warranted. Talk with the school. Stay engaged with your family readiness group (FRG). There are a lot of resources within our community. You don't have to go it alone. Let us help.

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Community Camera

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



File photo by Laura Kreider

Acoustic Jam: Community members are invited to attend the annual Acoustic Jam concert at Caserma Ederle's Soldiers' Theatre Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Call 634-7281 for information. The concert is new folk, bluegrass and acoustic guitar by veteran musician and recording artist Roberto Dalla Vecchia. "His concerts are always a highlight of the Soldiers' Theatre season," said theatre manager Jerry Brees. Dalla Vecchia has toured extensively throughout Europe and the U.S. and is an internationally regarded recording artist. Dalla Vecchia's special guest is Simone Trento of Treviso. "Trento is a classic guitar player as well as a singer who performs with great delicacy," said Dalla Vecchia, who invited the artist to the Acoustic Jam.



Photo by Laura Kreider

Always improving: On Continuous School Improvement Day Jan. 14, Vicenza High School principal Lauri Kenney reviews the process and provides a framework for the AdvancED visit in April. "Part of the staff development was to have a better understanding of CSI process and how it relates to the AdvancED accreditation process," said Kenney. She also discussed "the interventions and how they provide the avenue for a successful goal in promoting high student achievement."



Photo by Laura Kreider



Photo by SFC Keith Cade

Remembering the man: The U.S. military community in Vicenza honored the late Civil Rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. by participating in a memorial march Jan. 14. After the walk from the post theater to the chapel, marchers listened to remarks from Mikaela Cade (at left), pastor of Caserma Ederle's Full Gospel service, and were served refreshments in the chapel's activity room. For more information about EO observances and events throughout the year, call 634-7914.

Elmo, Osborne to put Reserve, Guard ties to good use at USARAF

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for the Tennessee Army National Guard in Nashville, Tenn., as the assistant adjutant general, where he is responsible for the supervision and training of more than 10,600 Soldiers.

For Elmo, this assignment offers a chance to return to Vicenza, where he previously served as the commanding officer for the Southern European Task Force (SETAF) Augmentation unit for two-and-a-half years in 2001.

"I'm excited about the opportunity to return to Italy and the Vicenza military community," Elmo said.

Both Elmo and Osborne plan to put their U.S. Army

Reserve and National Guard ties to good use at U.S. Army Africa.

"Africa has so many outstanding opportunities to integrate the National Guard and Reserve into training activities," said Osborne. "The Reserve components possess the military skills and often the civilian specialties to enhance the capacity of African nations to perform peace support and stability operations on the continent."

SETAF assumed a new role as U.S. Army Africa in December 2009. In October 2009, the Department of the Army designated U.S. Army Africa as the Army Service Component Command to U.S. Africa Command. This

will eventually bring the headquarters to an equal footing with the Army's other ASCCs for issues like manning and funding.

Growing U.S. Army Africa into a fully capable ASCC will take several years, De Oliveira said. It will be a slow process as the unit adds both military and civilian positions.

"That's why deputy commanding generals affiliated with the Army Reserve and National Guard are so important," he said.

"It is exciting to be a part of improving partner capacity in the African nations, which will affect the future peace for so many people," said Osborne.

Darby unit providing humanitarian relief to earthquake victims in Haiti

By JOYCE COSTELLO
USAG Livorno Public Affairs

When disaster struck Haiti, relief and humanitarian agencies around the world quickly looked to see if they could locate ways to provide a clean water supply among other basic life necessities.

On Jan. 18 members of the 3rd Battalion, 405th Army Field Support Brigade, were quickly putting together pallets of humanitarian-aid support at the U.S. Agency for International Development's U.S. Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance warehouses on Leghorn Army Depot, part of the Camp Darby military community.

"We are sending four 10,000-liter water bladders, eight water purification units, 18,000 10-liter water containers, 24,000 personal hygiene kits and 200 rolls of plastic sheeting," said Lt. Col. Roger McCreery, 3/405 AFSB commander. "The OFDA warehouse is stocked for emergencies such as this and our personnel work hard to ensure much-needed aid gets to where it is required as soon as possible."

The aid was airlifted from Pisa International Airport Jan. 19 to Haiti where USAID will distribute it through teams on the ground, McCreery said.

U.S. Army Garrison Livorno Commander Lt. Col. Steven Cade said that "from a logistics standpoint, the



Photo by Chiara Mattiolo

Personnel with the 3rd Battalion, 405th Army Field Support Brigade, prepare shipments of humanitarian aid to support the people of Haiti after an earthquake leveled much of the country's largest city.

location of Camp Darby allows us to move quickly and get things out to those who need it in a timely manner."

"This efficient network system makes it possible for the delivery of humanitarian aid from Tuscany throughout the world, thus highlighting the role of Camp Darby as one of the most important relief structures in Europe," said Col. Raffaele Iubini, Italian base commander. "Thanks

for the hard work Italian employees at the base did to get this shipment out."

The 7.0-magnitude earthquake that hit Haiti Jan. 12 killed up to 200,000, injured some 250,000 and left 1.5 million homeless, according to Haitian officials.

In the past few months, 3/405th AFSB has also shipped aid to the Philippines, Myanmar, Republic of Georgia, Dubai and Miami (USA).

Darby Dates

Learn Vista

Vista and Office upgrade classes will take place Feb. 1-2 and 8-9 at the Global Credit Union classroom.

All military, DoD civilian and local national personnel employed at Camp Darby can sign up to attend through <https://itt.eur.army.mil>.

Improve your quality of life

Make a difference in your community and in the military by submitting your quality of life issues through your AFAP program manager, online at www.usag.livorno.army.mil, dropped off in any of the submission boxes located throughout Camp Darby or at ACS Bldg 504. Issues will be vetted and reviewed for submission to the Europe conference during Camp Darby's 2010 conference Feb. 24-25 at the installation's community club.

Texas Hold'em

Texas Hold 'em matches are set for Friday at the Community Club. Call 633-7855 for details.

Salsa night

Salsa Night is offered Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at the Community Club. Call 633-7855 for details.

Viareggio carnival

Viareggio is known for more than its nightlife. It is host to one of the liveliest carnivals in Italy! There's an amazing parade of lavishly-designed floats. Parking is nonexistent, and with ITR you have no need to worry about it. Visit the carnival with ITR Jan. 31. Call 633-7589 for details.

ODR ski trips

Have your skis and snowboards ready for the slopes by hot waxing and edging at ODR. Call 633-7775 for info. Snow season is here. ODR is going to Abetone Jan. 30. Sign up today. Call 633-7775.

Venice trip

Visit Venice Saturday with ITR. Call 633-7589 for details.

SAEDA training

The annual SAEDA, Operations Security and Information Security briefings will be Jan. 28 at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the base theater. The briefing fulfills mandatory training requirements for Soldiers, DA civilians and U.S. contractors. Community members and Italian employees are encouraged to attend. These briefings will be in English. Italian briefings are set for February.

Darby Religious activities

For details, call the chapel at 633-7267 (050-54-7267).
9:40 a.m.: Catholic Reconciliation
10 a.m.: Catholic Mass
11:15 a.m.: Protestant worship
 Protestant **Sunday school** starts at 10 a.m.; Catholic CCD at 11:15 a.m.
 Christian Men's **Bible study** is every Thursday at 5 p.m. in Mertz Hall at the Darby Chapel. A light meal is served with Bible discussion afterwards.
 Protestant Women of the Chapel **Bible study** meets Tuesday from noon to 1 p.m. and Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Choir practice is at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday before Mass.

Carnevale 2010

Take a behind the mask look at festival floats

By JOYCE COSTELLO
USAG Livorno Public Affairs

In the final weeks leading up to the Viareggio Carnevale, master artists are putting the finishing touches on their massive floats.

Gilbert Lebigre, the constructor of "Commander of Our Own Home", said his creative team, artists, technical staff and choreographers have been working together for the last four months to compete in Viareggio Carnevale.

"Our 17-meter-high float is mainly

paper-mâché, but has many mechanical parts and mechanical construction. We try to use materials that are non-toxic along with recycling by using leftover newspapers and materials," said Lebigre. "We will have 200 people on it and the float dancing along with a large cannon firing confetti and smoke."

Lebigre has made floats for more than 30 years for carnivals around the world, including in Montreal, Quebec, Singapore, England and even for Cirque du Soleil, but he says the floats in the Viareggio Carnevale are different from

what a person would see in the world.

"For 137 years, floats here (Viareggio) are all based on satire," said Lebigre. "For instance, my float is showing a city with cannons and defense system that shows the excess of paranoia in many societies, fear of others and fear of foreigners. The intent is use satire to make a joke and help people laugh, make light of this preoccupation with defending anything from outside to enter into society."

"I believe the carnival is very important for the city because it reflects the fun spirit in the people's hearts; normal people in the town become part of the 200 people on our float and therefore become part of the magic for all to enjoy," said Lebigre.

President of the Viareggio Carnevale foundation Giovanni Maglione said that last year more than 1.2 million people attended the Sunday carnival parades.

"This year we will have an international delegation from around the world doing a cultural exchange and some of our floats will participate in carnivals abroad later this year," said Maglione.

This year, the carnival will take place Jan. 31, Feb. 7, 14, 16 and 21. Camp Darby's ITR will be offering trips each Sunday.

Artist Corinne Roger works on a paper-mâché head that is part of the "Commander of our own home" float for the Viareggio Carnevale.

Photo by Lory King





Carnevale events in Venice run Feb. 6-16. Activities will include concerts, decorative-light displays in San Marco Square, street performers, jugglers, fireworks, costume contests, comedy shows, dance presentations and much more.

Courtesy photo

Local events

Broccolo Fiolaro Festival:

Thursday to Sunday in the Creazzo sports center, Via Torino, about 5 miles west of Vicenza. The broccolo fiolaro is a type of broccolo native to the Creazzo hillside area.

The name comes from the presence of several sprouts along the stalk of the plant, which in Venetian dialect are called "fioi" (offspring).

■ Friday, 6:30 p.m.: food stands featuring the typical gnocchi with broccoli and the traditional fritole (doughnuts). 9 p.m. live funk music.

■ Saturday, 8:30 p.m.: food stands featuring broccoli dishes and other typical Creazzo agricultural products and fritole. 9 p.m. Pink Floyd tribute with the Fink Fire Band.

■ Sunday, 9:30 a.m.: nature walk on the Creazzo hill led by local guides; starting at 12:30 p.m.: sampling of broccoli specialties and fritole. 2:30 p.m.: live entertainment with G. Verdi Band and Creazzo's majorettes. 9 p.m. ball dances with the Filadelfia Orchestra.

Vivi la casa - Home Gallery: Thursday to Monday in Verona, Viale del Lavoro 8, about 38 miles west of Vicenza. Thursday and Friday 4-10 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m.-10 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Monday 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Classic and modern furniture solutions; products and services for the house and the wedding day. Admission fee: 4 euro Thursday, Friday and Monday; 7 euro Saturday and Sunday.

Free entrance for children up to 12 years. For details in English, visit http://www.home-gallery.it/hg_english/evento_eng.asp.

Record Album Fair Saturday to Sunday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. in Pordenone, Viale Treviso 1, about 92 miles northeast of Vicenza.

Exhibition of used and collectors' records. Sales, purchase and exchange of 45s, EPs and LPs and other authentic collector's items. Music publications and live exhibitions. Admission fee: 4 euro; free for children under 6.

Free concerts & classes

Foreign Resort wave and rock band from Denmark performing Thursday at 10 p.m. in Vicenza, Bar Sarteia, Corso San Felice e Fortunato 362.

Live rock music with Lubjan Thursday at 9:30 p.m. in Vicenza, Equobar, Via Marosticana 360.

Theater and ballet costumes exhibition Saturday through Feb. 13, Tuesday-Saturday 4-7 p.m., in Vicenza, Atelier Segni Creativi, Corso Andrea Palladio 168, first floor.

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

Tribute to Bob Marley Sunday at 10 p.m. in Vicenza, Bar Sarteia,

Corso San Felice e Fortunato 362.

Ball room dancing with the Filadelfia Band Sunday at 9 p.m. in Creazzo, Via Torino, about five miles west of Vicenza.

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

Live jazz Tuesday at 10 p.m., in Vicenza, Bar Sarteia, Corso San Felice e Fortunato 362.

Live jazz with Giovanni Guidi Quartet Wednesday at 10 p.m., in Marostica, Panic Jazz Club, Piazza degli Scacchi, about 18 miles north of Vicenza.

The Odeon Theater in Vicenza, Corso Palladio 176, will be featuring movies in English through the winter. Monday: Public Enemies by Michael Mann. Times: 4 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Tickets cost 6 euro. Visit www.mymovies.it/cinema/vicenza/6217/.

Paid concerts

Michael Bolton: Saturday in Mantova, Palabam.

Europe: Tuesday in Milan,



Courtesy photo

Michael Bolton will be in concert Saturday in Mantova.

Alcatraz; Jan. 28 in Rome Atlantico; Jan. 29 in Nonantola (Modena), Vox Club; Jan. 30 in Padova, Gran Teatro.

Dave Matthews Band: Feb. 22 in Milan, Palasharp; Feb. 25 in Padova, Palasport.

Joss Stone: Feb. 6 in Padova; Feb. 7 in Rome, Auditorium; Feb. 8 in Milan, Club Alcatraz.

Labyrinth: March 3 in Milan, Alcatraz.

Johnny Winter: March 4 in Roncade, Treviso, New Age Club; March 5 in Milan, Music Drome.

Saxon: March 15 in Milan, Trezzo sull'Adda, Live Club; March 16 in Bologna, Estragon.

Alicia Keys: May 2 in Verona, Arena.

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

AC/DC: May 19 in Udine.

Michael Bublè: May 22 in Verona, Arena; May 13 in Milan,

Assago, Mediolanum Forum.

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

Outdoor Recreation

Cortina ski and snowboard Jan. 30.

Verona all-inclusive indoor pool Sunday.

Florence and Accademia Gallery Jan. 30.

Val Gardena ski and snowboard Saturday.

Panarotta ski and snowboard weekend Jan. 30-31.

Ski/Snowboard Wax Class, Feb. 3.

Coming Up: Heliski weekend in Switzerland Feb. 12-14. Special discount for BOSS members.

Now Showing



Ederle Theater

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| Thursday | The Fourth Kind (PG-13) | 6 p.m. |
| Friday | Planet 51 (PG) | 6 p.m. |
| | Pirate Radio (R) | 9 p.m. |
| Saturday | 2012 (PG-13) | 3 p.m. |
| | Book of Eli (R) | 6 p.m. |
| Sunday | 2012 (PG-13) | 3 p.m. |
| | Book of Eli (R) | 6 p.m. |
| Wed. | Planet 51 (PG) | 6 p.m. |
| Jan. 28 | Pirate Radio (R) | 6 p.m. |

Camp Darby Theater

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| Friday | The Fourth Kind (PG-13) | 6 p.m. |
| Saturday | 2012 (PG-13) | 6 p.m. |
| Sunday | Planet 51 (PG) | 1 p.m. |
| Jan. 28 | Pirate Radio (R) | 6 p.m. |

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

Looking for the movie synopsis? Visit www.aafes.com, scroll to the bottom of the page and click on Movie Schedule.

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

Take survey, win five nights at Edelweiss

IMCOM - E Postal Information Office is launching an online-survey which will allow community members to weigh in on important issues that directly impact them, including operating hours, Saturday operations, and e-mail notification of packages.

To take the brief survey through Feb. 15, visit www.milmail.org. Only authorized postal customers may participate.

As a thank you, survey participants will be given a chance to win five consecutive nights at the Edelweiss Lodge and Resort, valid for one standard room (double occupancy). It is not valid during federal holiday weekends and must be used before May 31, 2011. There is no cash value associated with this prize. It is non-transferable and cannot be used in conjunction with any other offer. Black-out dates apply.

Online car auction slated Feb. 12-21

GSA's European Fleet Management Center will hold a public auction of used U.S. government vehicles Feb. 12-21. Bidding will be via live internet auction. The public inspection period is set Feb. 17 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Leghorn Army Depot, IFMS Consolidated Vehicle Processing Center.

Beginning Feb. 12, visit <http://www.vebeg.de/web/en/auktionen/index.htm> for vehicle photos, descriptions and minimum bid starting prices.

Prospective bidders must be registered with "VEBEG" in order to participate in the auction. Call Michela Bortolini at 633-8274, CIV 050-54-8274 or mobile 335-100-3680 for information.

Prayer breakfast set

The Caserma Ederle National Prayer Breakfast will be held FEB. 11 at the post dining facility from 7-8:30 a.m. The guest speaker will be USAREUR Chaplain (Col.) Ray Bailey. Uniform is duty uniform or civilian business casual. Tickets will be distributed at no charge beginning Thursday. Call 634-8156 for information.

Civilian, family suicide prevention info online

The Center for Health Promotion and Preventative Medicine has suicide prevention and awareness training for DA civilians and families at their Web site: <http://usachppm.amedd.army.mil/HIOShoppingCart/searchResults.aspx>.

SKIESUnlimited Announcements

SKIESUnlimited has added an additional pre-dance class for ages 4-5 on Fridays from 2:30-3:15 p.m. The class will be held in the SKIES dance studio in Villaggio. Cost is \$120 for the session.

Space is still available for the SKIES Culinary Arts workshop, "The Sweets of Carnevale", which will be held Jan. 30 from 9 a.m.-noon in the Army Community

Service kitchen. The cost is \$42 and all supplies are provided.

Spaces are also available in the following programs which will kick off in February: Ballet, Jazz, Teen Danz, Intro to Painting, Jewelry Making, Quilting, Creative Acting and Culinary Arts for youth and teens.

Children of deployed Soldiers receive four deployment credits which can be used to take SKIES classes free.

For details or enrollment, visit CYSS Parent Central Services in the Davis Soldier & Family Readiness Center or call 634-8051/7219.

BSA needs volunteers for 100-year celebration

BSA Troop 295 is looking for volunteers to help with the 100-year celebration of the Boy Scouts of America.

Those interested should contact Scoutmaster Chuck Calabrese at scoutmasterbsatroop295@gmail.com. The troop is always looking for volunteers to help with the mentoring of our young men. If you like camping, hiking and working with youth, you are the person the troop is looking for.

Troop 295 meets on Tuesdays at the school cafeteria from 5:30-7 p.m. Feel free to stop by.

Arts center events

Photography Babies & Children Class: Learn to take exciting and unique photos using different compositions, such as extreme close ups and using a parent as a prop. Offered are tips on how to get the best expression from kids of all ages. You will get direct feedback on your photos and tips on how to improve them. Class begins Feb. 3 at the arts center. Call 634-7074.

At the Arena

Hip-Hop music nights are Friday evenings at the Arena in the Lions' Den starting at 8 p.m. and jamming until close.

ACS happenings

Infant Massage set Friday and on Jan. 29 at 10 a.m. at ACS. Learn how to soothe a cranky baby and create a closer bond with your child through massage. Reservation is required. Call 634-7500.

Intro to Stress Management class is Monday at noon at ACS. Learn how to identify the sources of stress in your life and explore various techniques on how to reduce negative stress.

Exceptional Family Member Program Roundtable will be held Tuesday at 11 a.m. at ACS. Relax, discuss, and eat with other

community members.

Financial Readiness hosts **Saving and Investing** Tuesday at 9 a.m. at ACS. Don't make the mistake of waiting too long to start saving money.

New Parent Support Groups hosts a **Playgroup** Wednesday at the YS building at Villaggio from 10-11:30 a.m. Enjoy this wonderful opportunity for children to interact with others their age and bring parents together.

Build a stronger relationship with your child through play Jan. 29 at 1 p.m. at ACS. Engage in hands-on, interactive activities that promote communication, teamwork and bonding.

CYS Services

FRG child care offered Feb. 9 and 16 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. at the CDC Bldg. 395. Sign up deadline is Feb. 1.

Youth Yoga for ages 11-18. Children work on flexibility through stretching and yoga practices, and they learn the importance of healthy lifestyle habits, good nutrition and physical activity. Classes meet Thursdays from 3-4 p.m. beginning Feb. 4 through March 25. Sign-up at Central Registration or on WebTrac.

Youth Sports Health and Fitness for ages 5-12. Each class is filled with fun exercise techniques designed for maintaining good health and well being. Children learn the importance of healthy

lifestyle habits, good nutrition and physical activity, as the foundation for life-long healthy living. Classes meet Tuesdays from 10-11 a.m. beginning Feb. 2 through March 23. Sign-up at Central Registration or on WebTrac.

SAEDA and AT briefings scheduled

A Subversion and Espionage Directed Against the Army and Antiterrorism Level I briefing will be offered at the post theater Jan. 25 at 9 a.m. and (in Italian) at 1:30 p.m. and Jan. 26 at 9 a.m. (in Italian) and 1:30 p.m. If you have completed AT Level I training in the last 12 months, this briefing is purely voluntary.

Also, an AT Level I brief is scheduled Feb. 10 from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Hall of Heroes.

The briefings will meet the annual requirement for attendance. Call 634-8984/8069 or CIV 0444-71-8984/8069 for info.

SAC wants your feedback

Do you have issues or concerns that affect the Vicenza Elementary School community? The School Advisory Council meets quarterly and discusses concerns brought up by the community.

E-mail sac.vicenzaelementary@yahoo.com to submit issues and recommendations. The next meeting is Monday at 3:30 p.m. in the VES conference room.



Photo by Laura Kreider

Teaching focus at AWAG: Erin Wilcher teaches one of the classes during the AWAG (American Women's Activities Germany) Conference held at Vicenza High School Jan. 9. A total of 30 participants attended the second Italy Area AWAG conference, with topics taught by local subject matter experts. "We are a volunteer organization aimed at educating the community on topics of interest and volunteer leadership," said Ileana Reha, USAG Vicenza Child Development Center administrative assistant, who coordinated the event.

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 through May in Vicenza High School)

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

11 a.m.: Protestant worship

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

4 p.m.: Lutheran worship

5 p.m.: Contemporary Christian service

Mondays

Noon: LDS scripture study

Tuesdays

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

Wednesdays

3 p.m.: Praise Dance practice

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

5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice

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

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

5:30 p.m.: Catholic choir practice

6:45 p.m.: Gospel choir practice

Thursdays

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

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

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

Faith group contacts

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

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

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

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

Community Calendar Highlights

Jan. 29: No School

Feb. 7: Super Bowl Sunday

Feb. 8: USAREUR Half-Day Holiday

Feb. 11: National Prayer Breakfast

Feb. 12: USAREUR Training Holiday

Feb. 15: Italian Rest Day; U.S. Holiday (Presidents Day)

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

Wrestling



Photo by Laura Kreider

Cry chicken:

Vicenza High School wrestler Kyle Kaus (black and gold) executes a "double chicken wing" against AJ Neil of Naples in the 171-lb weight class during a wrestling meet hosted by VHS at the post gym Jan. 16. "Kaus is the most experienced DoDEA wrestler having competed for several years. He placed second at the European Championships last year and is striving to take the top spot this year," said Elizabeth Wills, wrestling team sponsor. U.S. schools in Italy that participated in the meet included Naples, Sigonella, Aviano and Rome. The next wrestling meet will take place Saturday in Naples, followed by a meet in Aviano Jan. 30. Vicenza will host the Sectional Championship Feb. 13 before the European Championships in Germany.

Basketball

Play time:

Geonte Haynes plays defense as Mel Fouse takes a shot (right) during a game at the fitness center Jan. 13. Practices are held twice a week on Mondays and Wednesdays at lunchtime. For information, call 634-7009.

Photo by Laura Kreider



Stadium ball:

After the recent arrival of forward Tyrone Grant (left), it's time for Benetton Basket to bring some more energy at Palaverde with coach Jasmin Repesa.

Grant is a Brooklyn native who has played for several European teams (Armani Jeans, Virtus Bologna, the Greece Olympia Larissas and Israeli Ironi Ashkelon).

Coach Repesa says he is looking forward to the new experience and hopes he will help Treviso to bring back winning times.

Spectators can take advantage of the Twice as Nice Double Card discount and enjoy two Benetton Basket games using two seasons to use it at the cardholder's discretion. Prices are:

Double Prices-Two home games per person. Prices are listed by sector: Gradinata Sud, 22 euro; Gradinata Nord, 30 euro; Distinti, 40 euro.

Double Family-Two home games for an adult and child under 18. Prices are listed by sector: Gradinata Sud, 30 euro; Gradinata Nord, 38 euro; Distinti, 48 euro.

Normal entry prices are 13 euro for seating in the Gradinata Sud sector, 18 euro in the Gradinata Nord and 28 euro in the Distinti.

For more information, call 0422 324323 or e-mail ticketing@ghirada.it.

Upcoming Benetton games at nearby Palaverde in Treviso are:

- Tuesday – Benetton Basket vs Bilbao (Spa) at 8:45 p.m.
- Jan. 30 – Benetton Basket vs NGC Medical Cantù at 8:30 p.m.
- Feb. 27 – Benetton Basket vs Air Avellino at 20:30 p.m.
- Feb. 23 – Benetton Basket vs Panellinios Atene (Gre) at 8:45 p.m.

Benetton Basket courtesy photo

Sports Shorts

DON'T MISS IT:
Vicenza High School basketball team hosts Naples this weekend:

Girls game begins at 5:30 p.m. Friday, with the boys' game following.

Boy game begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, with the girls' game following.

Free spouses-only swim lessons through March

Every Wednesday at the Post Pool there will be free swim lessons for military spouses. Class size is limited to six swimmers per lesson.

Sign-up no later than the Monday prior to class at the Post Fitness Center.

For information, call swim instructor David Besuden at 634-7009.

Lifeguard course set Feb. 1

A lifeguard certification class begins Feb. 1 for swimmers 18 and older.

Swimmers must complete a pre-test of swimming 500 meters (200 freestyle) prior to enrollment. Upon successful completion of the course and passing written and practical exam, participants will be American Red Cross lifeguard certified. Cost is \$145. Contact David Besuden, at 634-7009.

Don't miss your opportunity to serve

Consider serving as a volunteer coach this spring with CYSS.

Become a baseball, softball, track or rock climbing coach for CYSS Sports & Fitness.

Call to learn about upcoming Coaches' Clinics and earn your certification. Call 634-6151.

Volleyball coach needed

Volleyball coach needed to begin training middle school boys and girls in March.

Send resumes to Tom Hlavacek@us.army.mil or call 634-7502 or 335-818-6927.