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A memorial service for Sgt. Lucas Beachnaw, 173rd ABCT, will be held Feb. 4 at 1:30 p.m. in the post chapel.

CYSS will provide free childcare from 1 - 3 p.m.
Parents can reserve care in advance at 634-7559.
When calling, tell them that you will attend the service.

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# 173rd ABCT riggers protecting Afghan base

Story and photos by Army Spc. Daniel D. Haun

300th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

FOB Shank Afghanistan — Parachute riggers deployed with the 173rd HHC Brigade Support Battalion Rigger Platoon have found a new calling at Forward Operating Base Shank.

By taking the responsibility of manning the Entry Control Point, the riggers are using the tools accumulated from prepping countless parachutes in an entirely new fashion. The riggers were given the security detail so the brigade could focus on other missions.

"For us to be out here and pull this guard duty at the ECP helps our brigade complete more missions and make better progress," said Spc. Ryan McDonald, a rigger based out of Vicenza.

Riggers like McDonald are accustomed to the stress

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Spc. Robert Mullins, 173rd Brigade Support Battalion, checks a local national for prohibited items at an entry control point at Forward Operating Base Shank in Afghanistan Jan. 15.



# Indoor pool opens with splash

The Ederle indoor pool opened Tuesday with a ribbon cutting ceremony, followed shortly by community members plunging into the water.

(Left) Members of the Mako Sharks swim team try out the pool with some laps.

(Right) Col. Erik Daiga, garrison commander, cuts the ribbon with Giorgio Basso, co-owner of Basso & Busatta S.p.A., the company that managed the construction, and Sgt. Gabriel Green-Garcia, Warrior Transition Unit.

"The pool will be a great addition to our long list of new facilities that enhance the Vicenza military community's quality of life," Daiga said.

The Ederle pool renovation and cover project was awarded in April 2009 for \$1.85 million. The renovation included work on the existing



Photos by Laura Kreider

swimming pool, mechanical and electrical systems, 10,000 square-feet of sundeck and adding a retractable glass enclosure and deck-side bathhouse. The garrison still plans to enclose the walkway from the gym to the pool and make minor changes.

The pool will be usable year-round for recreation, WTU physical training, laps water aerobics, and swim team events.

# Post first in Europe to integrate mass emergency notification systems

by ANNETTE FOURNIER

USAG Vicenza Public Affairs Office

A new integration of emergency notification systems on Caserma Ederle means residents and personnel will receive vital information faster in case of a hazardous or emergency situation.

USAG Vicenza became the first installation in Europe, and possibly in the Army, to link the notification At-Hoc, Big-Voice and marquee systems into one, in early January.

The At-Hoc sends out messages to cell and home phones, as well as e-mail, that

inform community members of important information - from weather delays to real-world emergencies. The Big-Voice system can blast messages from loud speakers that can be heard across the installation and sattelite sites. The marquees are digital signs that display messages around post.

With the linking of the three systems, notifications are only entered into one system that can immediately fire out the messages, saving valuable time in an emergency or crisis situation, according to Larry Kilgore, director of the Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilizations and Security.

"Before we had these systems, we

relied on the chain of command and our hard-working military policemen to notify individuals on the installation of a potential problem," Kilgore said. "This system ensures that the commanders' guidance is spread throughout the community in times of a crisis. As always we still have our other backup systems for notifying the community, but this system eliminates this need and speeds up the notification process."

In other efforts to improve emergency response, key garrison and host nation personnel spent Jan. 21 - 22 huddled in the

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# Garrison news

# Distracted Driving Can Be Deadly

USAG Vicenza Safety Office

A recent study by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration found that nearly 80 percent of all traffic accidents involve a driver being distracted within three seconds of the accident.

The biggest distraction is the cell phone, but eating, drinking, smoking, dipping, music and simply not concentrating on driving can have deadly consequences. Here is the top list of contributing factors causing driver inattention and some tips to help maintain driving focus:

- Turn off cell phone; you can always call someone back later.
- Save the meal for when you get to your destination.
- Keep both hands on the steering wheel and eyes on the road always.
  - Don't smoke or dip while driving.
- Set your radio before you start your commute and keep the volume to a level that allows you to hear what's going on around you.
- Always wear your seat belt, and make sure passengers do the same.
- Ensure children are properly fastened into age- and weight-appropriate safety seats.
  - Don't drink and drive, ever.

# Prior planning, communication key in emergency preparedness

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Caserma Ederle Installation Operations Center trouble-shooting crisis plans and operations.

Leaders practiced scenarios such as a Fort-Hood-type shooting incident, an epidemic and an earthquake hitting Vicenza, discussing coordination and contingency plans. A training team of force protection specialists based out of Fort Belvoir, Va., led workshops on security planning, medical services, law enforcement roles and emergency operations.

Host nation representatives, including the Italian military, the carabinieri, the Vicenza-region emergency medical responders, and San Bortolo hospital also attended.

"This week's Installation Force Protection Exercise seminar is another reminder for the Vicenza Military Community that everything we do is done in partnership with our host nation personnel," said Maj. Jeffrey Bergmann, director, Directorate of Emergency Services. "They provide additional resources that our community doesn't have available and this reliance highlights the importance of continued practice of what we would actually do in a real world scenario."

Community members need to register their information with the Installation Operations Center to be able to receive



Photo By Annette Fournier

Emergency services leaders listen as a force-protection specialist asks how Vicenza would react to a shooting scenario, as part of a two-day emergency preparedness workshop held Jan. 21 and 22 in the garrison Installation Operations Center.

At Hoc messages. To register your information, e-mail <a href="mail.usagv@eur.army.mil">mail.usagv@eur.army.mil</a> with your full name, unit or directorate, EUR e-mail and one or more telephone numbers. This must be a home or cell phone number, not DSN. Write 'Register for At Hoc' in the subject line.

"Whether it is an earthquake, terrorist attack, flu Pandemic, flood, fire or severe storm, they all strike when you least expect it," said Val Bogdanowitz, DPTMS Plans Officer and Garrison Emergency Management Specialist. "It's important to prepare your family for those times even when life is good.

Always remember these types of disasters do not make appointments before they occur so one must be pro-active and have your family prepared, rather than reacting to an emergency situation. By then, it is too late."

Community members are advised to plan for emergencies. This includes making a plan and discussing it with your family, preparing an emergency kit and staying informed of the possible hazards in our area.

For more information and for planning check sheets and resources, visit www. readyarmy.mil.

# ICE Spotlight: Out-of-order car wash prompts customer comment

Compiled by NINO HILL

Customer Service Officer

Your ICE comments work to improve our community while acknowledging our Service Provider Managers who care about our community.

If you would like to have your voice heard regarding services on our installation, go to the USAG Vicenza home page at www.usag.vicenza.army. mil and click on the ICE link at the bottom of the page or go directly to the Vicenza ICE Web site at <a href="http://ice.disa.mil/index.cfm?fa=site&site\_id=321">http://ice.disa.mil/index.cfm?fa=site&site\_id=321</a> to relay your comments, suggestions or concerns.

### **Customer Comment:**

I am here to bring up an ongoing issue with the car wash. This is not the first time other people or I have had the car wash not working. Not only is the car wash for personal use, it is the only way to keep TMPs (transportation motor pool vehicles) clean.

Also it is not like the automatic car wash was broken for a day or too, but it was longer than a week and it is still broken (this time). With that being said, I took my vehicle through the other side with the power wash and there was no soan

This, also, is not the first time this has happened. I am just kind of tired of

going out of my way to find older bills (the machine for coins doesn't even take new bills) and waste money and time on a car wash that either does not work or won't clean my car due to lack of soap.

Hopefully this issue will get fixed.

# Response provided by DFMWR - Auto Skills Development Center:

The automatic car wash broke on Dec. 22. At the time the repair techs were on Christmas vacation.

When they came back on Jan. 7, the factory was closed for annual inventory until Jan. 14. This is the normal business cycle in Italy. Even after the tech came out to fix it, he needed a part that the

factory did not have in stock so the part had to be ordered. It was replaced on Jan. 20. Unfortunately, we are at the mercy of this system during the Christmas holidays and the August holidays when all factories close.

When the automatic car wash is broken, the manual ones get used much more frequently. We check the products in it once a week normally, and twice a week if the automatic car wash is down.

To avoid future inconvenience to our customers we will now check the manual car wash three times a week so it will not run out of any products (soap, car wax, etc).

I apologize for your inconvenience.

# Speak Out

# RAPIREZ US ARMY

Pfc. Joseph Ramirez
464th MP Platoon
"Go downtown and hang out with friends, and go out to eat."

# What would you do on an ideal day off?



Valerie Grice
Family member
"Go to Venice and enjoy
the sites."



Alisha Rodgers
Family member
"Sleep."



Sgt. Justin Gotaas
464th MP Platoon
"I would spend it with my
wife traveling to a destination
we have not been before"



Megan Matthews
3rd-grader
"Play the Wii all day!"

# Garrison news

Photo by Laura Kreider

**Supreme speller:** Vicenza Elementary School's Savannah Hampton, 10, spells a word during the Jan. 22 VES spelling bee at the school's gym, in which she took first place.

Vicenza Middle School's JonLuca DeCaro, 13, took first place during his school spelling bee held in November. Both students will advance to the European Spelling Bee in Ramstein, Germany, in March.

Hampton, who competed against 17 students, took top honors when after 36 rounds, she spelled "unsentimental." Hampton is a student in Patricia Salerno's fourth grade class. Salerno said Hampton wasted no time rushing to her classroom after the spelling bee to e-mail her deployed father, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team's Maj. William Hampton, with the good news.

This year was the first in over a decade that the elementary school held a spelling bee, according to second-grade teacher Trina Downey, the competition's organizer. She said she plans to continue hosting annual bees.

# **14th Trans. changes unit insignia patches**

By 1st Lt. LAWRENCE PAUSTIAN

14th Transportation Battalion

Soldiers from the 14th Transportation Battalion gathered at the Caserma Ederle post gym Jan. 19 to officially change their unit insignia patch from the 21st Theater Sustainment Command to the 16th Sustainment Brigade.

The 14th Trans. Bn. previously fell directly under the 21st TSC, as one of only two separate battalions, but effective immediately, the unit will have a sustainment brigade between itself and its higher command.

"Today's ceremony is a result of our ever changing Army," said Maj. Joseph Gallaher, the 14th Trans. Bn.'s executive officer and acting commander.

The 14th Trans. Bn.'s history has been intertwined with that of the Army. Having served in every major

combat operation since World War II, the battalion has proudly earned the distinction of being the most decorated transportation battalion in the Army.

In his closing remarks Gallaher said, "We welcome the transition to the 16th Sustainment Brigade and the support they will provide to our units remaining in Italy as the headquarters prepares to deploy."

Several dozen Soldiers from the Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment of 14th Trans. Bn. will deploy to Joint Base Balad, Iraq, in the near future to help facilitate the movement of personnel and equipment as the Army continues to withdraw its forces from Iraq. Staying behind will be about 200 Soldiers from the battalion who will continue their respective missions in Italy.

As the ceremony proceeded, Soldiers pulled their 21st TSC patches from the left shoulder sleeves in unison, replacing them with 16th Sust. Bde. patches.

# Access control security new mission for HHC riggers

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associated with working at an entry control point. Pfc. Michael Alarcon, a rigger from Los Angeles, shares the same sentiment.

"You have to be a professional at it; there are no mistakes," said Alarcon. "It's the same thing out here, be a professional and know that anything bad can happen if you make a mistake, so you need to be on point, make no mistakes."

This professionalism stems from the daily inspections Alarcon and others execute in garrison.

"Out here, if something doesn't look how it

should look, don't just let it go. Make sure you investigate it, make sure everyone has their badges and you look at every compartment of a vehicle. Attention to detail is also very important in both rigging parachutes and out here at the ECP."

"It's pretty fulfilling knowing that we're keeping the FOB safe, keeping all the Soldiers safe, searching the trucks and making sure no contraband or weapons are getting onto the FOB," said Pvt. Josh Lindsey.

"We're out here doing it for not only ourselves, but for everyone else in the country," said Alarcon.

## PTSA elects new VP, seeks greater community involvement

By SAMANTHA SMITH

Special to the Outlook

The Parent Teacher Student Association elected a new vice president at a meeting Jan. 13.

The new vice president, Ileana Reha, was the membership chairperson and secretary of the PTSA in 2009, and has two children at Vicenza Elementary School.

"I want to make this school a better place and increase parent involvement," said Reha in her speech to members. PTSA President Connie Klinkam was excited about the election.

"I'm looking forward to some relief in the coming months," she said.

Despite having no previous experience with the organization, Klinkam took on the position of PTSA president this year with the goal of building momentum and getting people involved in the organization.

"I think the organization had been allowed to flounder in previous years," said Klinkam. "Especially in this type of transient community, it's important to provide meaningful, relevant information to the parents and provide a sense of support to families."

Keeping the community informed is an uphill battle, Klinkam said, and she's looking for more community input. The PTSA has taken on a number of issues this year, including addressing parents' concerns about school lunches. In October, they met with Gary Ross from the AAFES school lunch program to discuss other food options. He will attend February meeting to follow up on the issues raised.

Community members who have issues for the PTSA to address regarding the elementary and middle/high school in Vicenza can contact Klinkam at ptsavicenza@hotmail.com. Meetings are held once a month either in the Elementary School gym or in the school cafeteria. Klinkam tries to keep them to about one hour. Children are welcome at the meetings.

Klinkam has recently launched a Web site which will contain information for members, meeting minutes and an archive of past newsletters.

The address is www.ptsavicenza.wikispaces.com.

# Army announces future USARAF commander

By Rick Scavetta

U.S. Army Africa

The U.S. Army Chief of Staff announced Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg will be the next commander of U.S. Army Africa.

Hogg

Hogg is currently serving in Afghanistan as deputy commander for the Combined Security Transition Command – Afghanistan. An armor officer, Hogg is a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, the Army Command and General Staff College and the United States Army War College.

Hogg was promoted to major general during a ceremony held in December at Camp Eggers in Kabul, Afghanistan. Before deploying in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, he was the commanding general of the Joint Multinational Training Command in Germany. Prior to that, Hogg was an assistant division commander with the 1st Armored Division. During Operation Iraqi Freedom, Hogg led the 2nd Brigade, 4th Infantry Division.

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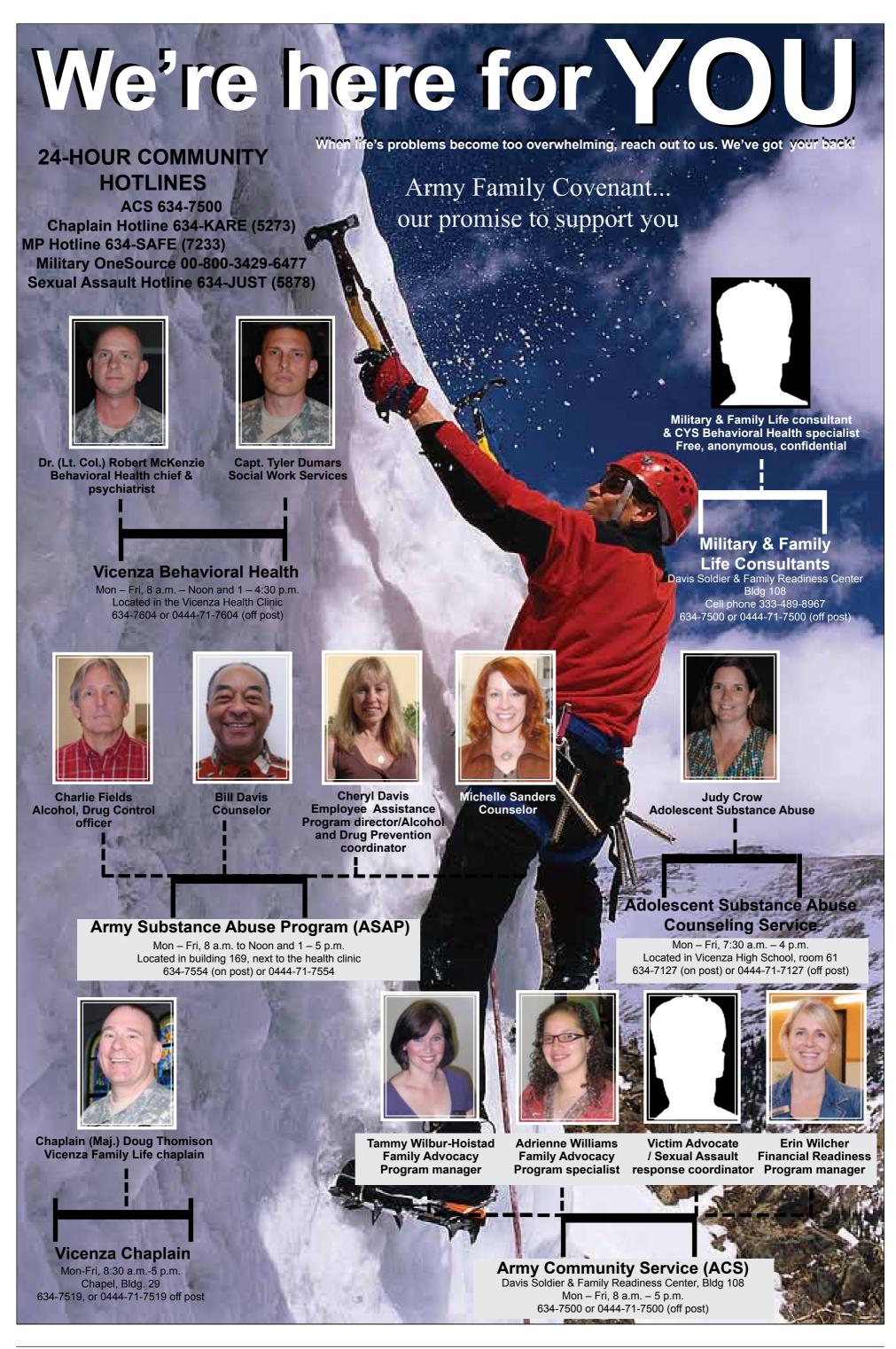
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# **Community events**



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Viareggio Carnevale celebrates 137 years of political satire and social awareness during their carnival Jan. 31, Feb. 7, 14, 16 and 21. A three-kilometer section of the seaside promenade is closed off for massive floats, performers, marching bands and dancers that entertained 1.2 million people last year. See below for information on organized trips to the Viareggio and Venice carnivals.

# Anything goes at Carnevale

**By Laura Kreider**Outlook staff

s the saying goes, "A Carnevale ogni scherzo vale."
When it's carnival time, anything goes.
One of the cities that represent the Italian carnival experience is Venice, its celebration dating back to 1094 according to some government documents. Later on, in 1296, the senate declared Mardi Gras, the last day before Ash Wednesday, a holiday.

For centuries the Venetian Carnevale began in October, coinciding with the seasonal opening of the city theatres, and lasted for months. Everybody, from ordinary citizens to



File photo

Thousands of masked revelers throng the streets of Venice during Italy's famed annual celebration. To attend with the Vicenza ODR, reserve a spot by calling 634-7453. For more information on the 2010 Venice Carnevale, including dates and events, visit www.carnivalofvenice.com.

aristocracy, was allowed to wear masks and poke fun at the government, politicians and themselves.

Today Carnevale is much shorter than during the 17th century, but people from all over Europe still wear costumes, go to parades and balls, dance and celebrate the 10 days prior to Lent.

During this time, not only Venice but many towns and cities throughout the peninsula plan celebratory events, including float parades, costume contests, masked balls in town squares, concerts, dances, public parties and theatre events.

Among cities with long traditions, some are renowned for their distinguished Carri Mascherati, or carnival floats, such as the ones held in Viareggio, in Tuscany, located on the Tyrrhenian coast about 25 kilometers from Pisa.

The Venetian Carnevale reached its climax in the 18th century. The region's representative costume was a white mask, black silk hood, lace cape, black cloak and a three-cornered hat. A person wearing this very costume, which practically covered the complete body, could attend incognito.

In 1797, Napoleon put a stop to Carnevale festivities with the ending of the Venetian Republic. Only in 1979, the Carnival of Venice Committee brought back the splendor and vivacity of the city's past by promoting such events as the Flight of the Angel (also called Flight of the Dove), the parade along the Canal Grande and the fireworks that conclude the procession.

These and other events take place in Venice and on the mainland the 10 days before Lent, which this year is Feb. 6-16.

The traditional 'Flight of the Angel' takes place in St. Mark's Square Feb. 7 at noon. The Flight of the Angel, a traditional event that became popular in the middle of the 1500s, when a Turkish acrobat walked on a rope from a boat up to the top of the Bell Tower during Carnevale.

This year, an Italian guest star will fly from the Torre del Campanile reaching the ground accompanied by the Doge and Dogaressa's historical parade.

Visitors can also enjoy a parade of the most beautiful masks and 18th century costumes during the Best Carnival Costume Contest Feb. 11 at 3 p.m. in San Marco Square.

Visit www.carnivalofvenice.com for a complete English listing of dates, times and events, including balls, performances and dinners.

- Vicenza's Outdoor Recreation is offering a bus trip to the **Venice Carnevale** Feb. 7. Cost is \$45 for transportation. Kids under age 2 are free. Call 634-7453 for more information or to register.
- The famed **Viareggio Carnevale** will take place Sunday and Feb. 7, 14, 16 and 21. Camp Darby's ITR will be offering trips each Sunday. Call 633-7589 for more information.

# Darby Dates

### Karaoke night

Sing along with Bibi every Thursday at the Community Club. Call 633-7855.

### Texas Hold'em

Come to Texas Hold'em Feb. 5. Free pasta for all of the players. Call 633-7855 for details.

### Investment club

Learn what it takes to get the most out of your investing Tuesday. Call 633-7084 for details

# Valentine's Day sweetheart dinner

Say 'I Love You' with dinner at the Community Club. Enjoy a romantic candlelight dinner with your sweetheart Feb. 13. Tickets go on sale Monday through Feb. 12. Dinner is limited to 50 persons. Call 633-7855.

### ITR trips

Collodi trip: Take a delightful trip Feb. 6 to the picturesque town of Collodi, also known as the home of Pinocchio. Whether you chose to visit the Pinocchio Park, the Garzoni Gardens or the new Collodi Butterfly House, you're sure to have a great time. Call 633-7589.

Viareggio Carnevale: The carnival of Viareggio is an annual event held in the Tuscan city of Viareggio. It is considered among the most renowned carnival celebrations of Italy and all of Europe. It is famous for its extravagant parade of floats and masks. Call 633-7589.

# Outdoor Recreation offers ski trips on Saturdays

ODR offers ski trips every Saturday in February. Call 633-7775 for information.

# Valentine's Day rose sale & delivery

BOSS is sponsoring a rose sale for Valentine's Day. Make reservations to have a dozen red roses delivered on Darby and Depot Feb. 12. A dozen roses cost \$45 and can be ordered from Monday through Feb. 11 by calling 633-7775.

### **Super Bowl XLIV**

Who will win - the Indianapolis Colts or New Orleans Saints? Super Bowl XLIV Frenzy will take place at the Community Club Feb. 7. Start off your evening with Texas Hold'em at 7 p.m.

Pre-game begins at 10:30 p.m. Brush up on your football trivia and win prizes too. Free popcorn and hotdogs. Call 633-7855 for details.

### **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.

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.

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**Choir practice** is at 9:30 a.m.

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The Spazio Casa Exhibition of furnishings, home accessories and wedding articles is scheduled Feb. 7-14 in Vicenza, Via dell'Oreficeria 16. The show is arranged in various areas with a variety of design-styles. It includes sections dedicated to everything from classical, country and world furnishings to accessories, modern and contemporary furnishings, stoves and chimneys, and wedding clothing and items. See below for details on dates, times and admission.

Courtesy photo



### Local events

International Dog Show, Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., in Padova, Via N. Tommaseo 59, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza.

Admission fee: 6 euro; reduced 3 euro for children between 13-17; free for children 12 and younger.

EXPO' Elettronica Fair, Feb. 6-7, 9 a.m. -6 p.m., in Vicenza, Via dell'Oreficeria, 16.

Computers, software, home theater, fixed and mobile telephony, accessories, audio-visual equipment, CD/MP3 players, electronic musical instruments. Second hand electronic items market.

Admission fee: 8 euro; reduced: 6 euro. Download the form for the reduced ticket by clicking on Scarica il ridotto from http:// expoelettronica.blunautilus.it/ index.php/main/evento/evdID/81. The instructions are in Italian.

If you need help, call Anna Terracino at 634-7169 or e-mail anna.terracino@eur.army.mil.

Spazio Casa - Exhibition of furnishing, home accessories and wedding articles: Feb. 7-14, in Vicenza, Via dell'Oreficeria, 16. Monday-Tuesday, 3:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.; Wednesday - Friday 3:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 9:30 a.m.- 8 p.m.

The show is arranged in various areas dedicated to classical, country and world furnishings, to furnishing accessories, to modern and contemporary furnishings, to design, stoves and chimneys (The warmth of home), and clothing and wedding articles (Newlyweds).

Admission fee: Saturday & Sunday: 5 euro; 3 euro reduced; free entrance on weekdays.

E' Sposi - National show of dress, accessories and services for the wedding day, in Padova, Feb. 13-14, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza. An exhibition for newlyweds, incouding wedding dresses and suits, formal dresses and catering for parties and weddings. Admission fee: 8 euro. Free for children younger than 12.

The Odeon Theater in Vicenza, Corso Palladio 176, will be featuring movies in English through the winter. Monday's feature: The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus, by Terry Gilliam. Times: 4:30 p.m., 6:45 p.m., and 9 p.m. Tickets cost 6 euro. Visit www.mymovies.it/ cinema/vicenza/6217/.

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

### Free concerts & classes

Alex Amsterdam in concert: indie pop acoustic: today, 10 p.m., in Vicenza, Bar Sartea, Corso San Felice e Fortunato 362

Back to Black DJ set: 60's and 70's songs: Friday, 10 p.m., in Vicenza, Bar Sartea, Corso San Felice e Fortunato 362

concert: Saturday, 5 p.m., in Vicenza, S. Chiara Chapel, Contrà Santa Chiara.

Piano concert: Saturday, 6 p.m., in Vicenza, Yoga center, Stradella del Teatro Olimpico 5.

Sole Ester Luna in concert: Saturday, 9:30 p.m., in Polegge, Equobar, Via Marosticana 350, about 4 miles north of Vicenza.

Soul Travelers in concert: acoustic duo, Saturday, 9 p.m., in Caldogno, Non Solo Osteria,

Via Enrico Toti, about 7 miles northwest of Vicenza.

Rosalia de Souza live jazz: Sunday, 9 p.m., in Marostica, Panic Jazz Club, Piazza degli Scacchi, about 18 miles north of Vicenza.

Harp and flute concert: Sunday, 6 p.m., in Vicenza, Yoga center, Stradella del Teatro Olimpico 5.

**Fabio Cardullo Band:** Sunday, 10 p.m., in Vicenza, Bar Sartea, Corso San Felice e Fortunato 362.

Jazz not dead Festival with Batongo: Tuesday, 10 p.m., in Vicenza, Bar Sartea, Corso San Felice e Fortunato 362.

**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

Jazz not dead Festival with Daniele Baldelli: Wednesday, 9 p.m., in Vicenza, Bar Sartea, Corso San Felice e Fortunato 362.

Peter Bernstein quartet live jazz, Wednesday, 10 p.m., in Marostica, Panic Jazz Club, Piazza degli Scacchi, about 18 miles north of Vicenza.

### Paid concerts

Europe: Today in Rome Conservatory students in Atlantico; Friday in Nonantola (Modena), Vox Club; Saturday in Padova, Gran Teatro.

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

Ian Paice & Tolo Marton: Feb. 4 in Padova, Gran Teatro.

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

Black Eyed Peas: March 12 in Milano, Assago Mediolanum Forum.

Jethro Tull: March 14 in Genova, Vaillant Palace.

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

Cranberries: March 16 in Milan, Assago, Mediolanum Forum Tokio Hotel: March 26 in Padova, Palasport.

**Kevin Costner & Modern West:** March 31 in Milano, Smeraldo Theatre;

Alicia Keys: May 2 in Verona,

Whitney Houston: May 4 in Milan, Assago, Mediolanum

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

Put on your mask and attend the internationally renowned festival, the Venice Carnivale with Outdoor Rec Feb. 7. Cost is \$45 for bus transportation. Kids under age 2 are free; a baby backpack is recommended as Venice is not stroller-friendly. Call 634-7453.

Ski/snowboard Italy's beautiful slopes on Valentine's weekend with ODR Take a day trip to Obereggen Feb. 13 for \$30 or spend the whole weekend in the romantic mountains of Panarotta Feb. 13-15 for \$300.

Call 634-7453 for more information, or visit www. vicenzamwr.com

Ski/Snowboard wax class Feb. 3 Pisa and Lucca Feb. 6

San Martino ski/snowboard Feb. 6

# **Now Showing**

### Ederie Theater

Thursday Pirate Radio (R) 6 p.m. **Friday** Old Dogs (PG) 6 p.m. Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG-13) 9 p.m. Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG-13) 3 p.m. Saturday Legion (R) 6 p.m. Old Dogs (PG) Sunday 3 p.m. Legion (R) 6 p.m. Wed. Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG-13) 6 p.m. Feb. 4 Old Dogs (PG) 6 p.m.

### Camp Darby Theater

**Friday** Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG-13) 6 p.m. Day Breakers (R) **Saturday** 6 p.m. Sunday Old Dogs (PG) 1 p.m. Feb. 4 The Book of Eli (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.

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# **Community briefs**

# Valentine's Day arranged for you

FMWR Special Events presents a Valentine's Day romantic dinner at Sette Santi on Feb. 14 at 7 p.m.

Enjoy a delicious dinner high above the sparkling lights of Monte Berico. Purchase tickets for €25 per person at Outdoor Recreation before Feb. 11.

Call 634-5087 for information.

### Stress management/ resiliency class

The Army Wellness Center-Vicenza will host a class on increasing resiliency and managing stress Wednesday from 10:15-11:15 a.m. at the Wellness Center. Call 634-8186 for information.

### Learn about benefits

If you are within one year of separating from the military, attend classes and counseling at the Vicenza ACAP Center. They offer:

- Pre-separation counseling
- Employment assistance workshop Monday-Thursday.
- Veterans Affairs briefing Feb. 5

Call 634-7189 to register today.

### 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 its Web site: http://usachppm.amedd.army.mil/HIOShoppingCart/searchResults.aspx.

### **SKIESUnlimited**

SKIESUnlimited has added an additional **Pre-Dance** class for ages 4-5 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 available for the culinary arts workshop "The Sweets of Carnevale," to be held Saturday from 9 a.m.-noon in the ACS kitchen. The cost is \$42 and all supplies are provided.

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

Each child of a deployed Soldier receives four **deployment credits** which can be used to take SKIES classes for free.

For details or enrollment, visit CYSS Parent Central Services at ACS or call 634-8051/7219.

# Scouts kicking off cookie season

It's Girl Scout cookie season! All of your favorite flavors will be on sale at the PX and commissary on weekends beginning Feb. 7.

Cookies are \$3.50 per box. Enjoy Samoas, Thin Mints, Tagalongs, Lemon Chalet Cremes, Trefoils, Do-Si-Dos, Dulce de Leche, and the new "Thank U Berry Much!"

# Club Beyond's Pancakes 4 Poland

Club Beyond is hosting "Pancakes 4 Poland" Feb. 16 from 6:30-8 p.m. at the chapel.

It is a fundraiser dinner to support Vicenza High School students' annual spring break service project.

This year the group will join teens from around Europe in Katowice, Poland. Purchase tickets from a high school student who is going on the trip or at the door Feb. 16.

# Interested in becoming a warrant officer?

Stop by the dining facility Tuesday mornings between 8 and 9 a.m. to visit with the community warrant officers as they share their experiences and find out how you can become an expert in your field.

Contact Chief Warrant Officer 4
Patricia Roberts at 634-7750.

### Arts & crafts center

Learn **basic sewing skills** Feb. 2 at the arts center at 6 p.m. Enjoy developing a new skill and come home with a finished product. Child care is available at the CDC. Sign up deadline is Sunday. Call 634-7074.

Need a **framing refresher**? Join the arts center Feb. 10 at 4 p.m. and renew your skills. Sign up by Feb. 7.

Learn how to take **exciting photographs** of your children by using the best composition techniques. Class starts Wednesday and will be held every Wednesday and Friday at 1 p.m. Don't forget to bring your favorite photos. Sign up by Monday.

Visit the arts center to check out their **great variety** of classes offered, including a wood safety certification course Feb. 6, a beginner's quilting Feb. 6, and clay handbuilding Feb. 7. Call the center for details.

### At the Arena

Win \$500 and other great prizes by participating in the FMWR multi-week, no-fee **Texas Hold'em** tournament at the Arena. Mark your calendar with the three remaining tournament dates on Saturdays: Feb. 6, March 6, March 13 (final). Must participate a minimum of three weeks of tournament play. No registration fees. Call 634-8257.

Watch Super Bowl Sunday

# Community Calendar Highlights

**Friday:** School early release **Sunday:** Super Bowl Sunday **Monday:** USAREUR half-day holiday

Feb. 11: National Prayer Breakfast

**Feb. 12:** USAREUR Training Holiday

Feb. 15: Italian Rest Day; U.S. Holiday (Presidents Day) football projected on our super big screen Feb. 7 at 10 p.m in the Lions' Den. Pre-game starts two hours before kickoff. A \$10 entry fee gets you in the door plus food packages and prizes.

**Ladies' Movie Night** returns to the Lions' Den Feb. 9 at 6 p.m.

Enjoy the big screen while your children are being watched by Child, Youth & School Services. Call CDC to reserve your spot.

You are invited to the **Queen of Hearts Weekend Extravaganza**in the Lions' Den Feb. 12 and Feb.
13. Kick off Friday at 8 p.m. with
some red hot salsa music, dancing
and Valentine's Day drink specials.

Then slide into Saturday at 6 p.m. for Cocktail Pick-a-Pitcher Karaoke night.

Call 634-8257. For Valentine's Day, visit *www.vicenzamwr.com* to find out about our special bowling packages.

### **ACS** happenings

ACS hosts great opportunities for the **job seeker** in February. First, learn the secrets of getting hired through networking Tuesday at 10 a.m. at ACS.

Navigate the Resumix system like a pro Tuesday at 10 a.m.

Army Volunteer Corps teaches how to build an effective volunteer program Wednesday at 1 p.m. at ACS. Also Wednesday, brush up on Volunteer Management Information System Basic Training at 1 p.m.

**New to Vicenza?** ACS provides a brief overview of programs and services offered to family members Feb. 5 at 11:45 a.m. at ACS.

ACS teaches you how to deal with **anger and stress** in your life. Participants will learn and practice the basics of anger management today at 11:30 a.m. at ACS.

On Monday at noon, participate in the stress management class. These are free workshops. Come during your lunch.

ACS supports parents during deployment with fun, hands-on

workshops, playgroups, infant massage and breastfeeding basics.

Visit the **interactive calendar online** to browse the details of these opportunities: *www.vicenzamwr.com/communitycalendar.html*.

Do you find **debt management** intimidating? ACS hosts a valuable class Feb. 9 at 9 a.m. to teach you how to start down the road to financial recovery and to building wealth. Call 634-8634.

### **CYS** services

Child, Youth & School Services offers **free child care** every second and third Tuesday of the month during official FRG meetings. Call Elizabeth Montanino at 634-7401 to coordinate care.

The Youth Centers, in conjunction with the Vilseck Middle High School Student2Student is hosting the **Youth Hail/Farewell** event Friday at 12:30 p.m. at the Arena. Event includes bowling, food and cake. Visit the teen center to learn more.

**Saturday care** is set Saturday at CDC Bldg. 395 from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Reservations can be made two weeks in advance. Call 634-7559. Space is limited.

School Age Services is hosting a fieldt rip to the Sea Life Aquarium Feb. 6 for \$39. Receive the discounted price of \$24 by using your monthly SAS free hours. Sign up by Friday.

### Library events

Win a trip for two to South Carolina. Visit the library Feb. 1-11 to fill out an entry form and enjoy other giveaways tied to the "Dear John" book-to-movie campaign.

### Free classes available

Free classes are offered by the Army Europe Information Technology Training program in Bldg. 372.

Log in to your account at https:// itt.eur.army.mil for a listing of available classes listed under "Find New Classes."



Photo by Kelli Covlin

Quilting class: Cara Rhodes sews her friendship quilt during a SKIESUnlimited quilting workshop in November. The workshop teaches students the basic techniques of quilting. SKIES has workshops scheduled for Feb. 27, March 27, April 24 and May 22 from 8 a.m.-noon. Quilting workshops are open to youth 10-18 and cost is \$60 per workshop.

Children of deployed Soldiers can use one of their SKIES deployment credits to take the workshop for free. For more information on this or any SKIES programs, stop in at Parent Central Services in the Davis Soldier & Family Readiness Center or call 634-8051.

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

### **Sunday services**

Religious

activities

**Chaplain Crisis Line** 

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)

11a.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.

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.

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# **Lady Cougars miss win in close Naples match**

### Team to play final home games Friday, Saturday

**Story by PETE HULLER** Special to the Outlook

The Vicenza High School Lady Cougars basketball team faced off against rival Naples Friday and Saturday at Vicenza, with Naples taking the wins by slim margins in both games.

Scores were 43-42 Friday night and 46-43 Saturday. Naples also defeated the Milan and Rome teams by larger margins.

Returning starters Taylor Kier and Lali Baratashvili led the team, along with freshman players Megan Williams and Tatiana Miranda.

Baratashvili topped the team in scoring in both games. She capped off Saturday's game with a thrilling buzzer-beater from just inside half court, cutting the eventual margin of victory to 3 points. The Vicenza team hoisted her on their shoulders despite having lost the game.

Coach Sean Peterson has devoted time to studying game film to help the girls see their strengths and challenges, he said.

"We played great this weekend," Peterson said. "I am very proud of all the ladies and the heart and enthusiasm they bring each time they step on the court. We are a young team and they are playing good team basketball. Win or lose, they leave it on the court, and that's all I can ask of these young ladies."

The final home games, against the Marymount International



Photo by Andrew Lotze

Above, returning starters Lali Baratashvili (33) and Taylor Kier (42) take on Naples with the Vicenza High School Lady Cougars Jan. 23 at the post gym. Friday and Saturday will be their final home games. The final game scores were 43-42 Friday night and 46-43 Saturday. Below, a Vicenza player grabs the ball during fast, physical play.



Photo by Laura Kreider

p.m. and Saturday at 10 a.m. in the post gym. They will be in Sigonella Feb. 12-13 School of Rome, are Friday at 5 before heading to Heidelberg, Germany, for

the Department of Defense Dependents Schools-Europe Championships Feb. 23-27.

# 2 wrestlers take top tourney spots

**By BESS WILLS** 

Special to the Outlook

The Vicenza Middle and High School wrestling team finished fourth in the team competition at Naples Jan. 23.

Vicenza had more point-getters than ever before with three fourth-place finishes, two third-place finishes and two champions.

Joe Boswell and Kyle Kaus swept their respective weight classes to secure the championship points. The Vicenza Middle School wrestlers won in each weight class.

The high school wrestler of the week is Kyle Kaus, who dominated his 171-pound class with pins in each of his



matches.

David Heryford was selected as the middle school wrestler of the week for showing continuous improvement while winning in all but one of his matches for the last two weeks. Last week's wrestlers of the week were Antonio Echevarria and Cole Overman for their performance in the Vicenza meet.

The team will travel to Aviano Saturday for a tournament against Aviano and two teams from Germany. Matches will begin at 10 a.m. in the Aviano High School Gym.



The Outlook is looking for your sports stories and photos. Submit items to editor@eur.army.mil

The deadline is Monday at noon the week of publication, except for Monday holidays, when the deadline is Friday at noon.



### CYSS EDGE! Soccer

Players on the EDGE! winter soccer team will play a friendly match against Torri di Quartesolo club Saturday at 1 p.m. at the turf field, located near the Caserma Ederle Recycling Center. The team practices Tuesdays and Thursdays, 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. at the turf field.

For more information, call 634-7502 or 335-818-6927.

### **New fitness classes**

New Sports, Fitness & Aquatics fitness classes are offered in the upstairs group fitness room. Please pay first at the fitness center front desk. Cost is \$3 per class or \$2.50 for 10 classes.

### Basketball & dodgeball teams forming

The fitness center is accepting team registrations for the February recreational basketball and dodgeball leagues. Teams need at least five players for basketball and six or more for dodgeball. Submit two points of contact with a roster by Wednesday.

Call Ricky Jackson at 634-7009 with questions.

### **Home school PE**

Home school physical education will be offered Tuesdays through CYSS beginning Tuesday, and will feature a variety of activities for children 5-12. Sessions will run for eight weeks on Tuesdays, ending March 23.

Sign up today at CYSS Parent Central Services (634-7219) or on Webtrac. The deadline is Friday.

### **Coaching clinic**

CYSS Sports & Fitness is hosting a coaches clinic on Feb. 2 at 6 p.m. The clinic includes free National Youth Sports Coaches Association Membership and American Red Cross CPR/First Aid Certification. The deadline to sign up is Monday.

Call 634-6151 to register or for information.

### Softball, baseball sign-up

Sign-ups for girls' softball and boys' baseball are Feb. 8-26 or until spaces are filled. CYSS registration must be valid through the end of the season. Season runs from April 17 through June 5. Practice begins March 22.

Call 634-6151 for information.

### Youth yoga

CYSS will offer Youth Yoga, Feb. 4 - March 25 for ages 6-18. Cost is \$20 for 8 weeks; classes are every Thursday.

Sign up at CYSS Parent Central Services or online at Webtrac by

### Lifeguard certification class offered

A five-day lifeguard certification course is scheduled Tuesday - Feb. 6 at the indoor swimming pool. The calls run 2 - 10 p.m. Tuesday - Friday, and 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Saturday. Sign up by Monday. The class costs \$140.

Students must complete a pre-test prior to enrollment. Upon successful completion of the course and final (written & practical) exam, the participant is American Red Cross lifeguard certified.

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