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Sky Soldier killed in Afghanistan

Staff report

A Soldier with the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, currently deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom X, was killed in action July 5.

Sgt. Louis Robert Fastuca, 24, of Boston, Mass., was killed while conducting combat operations in Wardak Province, Afghanistan.

Fastuca reported to Caserma Ederle and was assigned to the 173rd's Delta Co., 1-503d Inf. (Airborne), where he served as an infantryman in 2nd Platoon.

While deployed to Wardak Province, he completed more than 125 missions as an infantryman in support of Operation Enduring Freedom X.

"Without exception, the men of DOG Company loved Sgt. Fastuca for his genuine care and concern for his brother Soldiers. Just as he cared for all around him in life, he is without a doubt, now in God's caring arms," said Delta Co. Commander Capt. Dave Panian. (Fastuca was recently reassigned from Delta to HHC.)

He is survived by his brothers, Anthony and Joseph, father Robert and mother Monette, who reside in Pennsylvania. Fastuca was posthumously recommended for the Purple Heart Medal. A remembrance ceremony will be held at the post chapel Tuesday at 3 p.m.

CYSS offers free child care to attend the ceremony. Reserve a spot by calling 634-8253 or 634-7559.



Fastuca
Age: 24
Of Boston, Mass.



Photo by Paolo Bovo, JMTC Photo Lab

State by state: The Boy Scouts assist Soldiers in placing the 50 state flags during the Salute to the Nation ceremony Friday at Hoekstra Field. U.S. and Italian military officials, community members and Italian leaders from Vicenza and nearby communities gathered to help commemorate American Independence Day.

Know how to prevent, react to kitchen fires

Special to the Outlook

Recent kitchen fires in the USAG Vicenza community have prompted Caserma Ederle Fire Department officials to offer the following tips:

- If a grease fire erupts in a pan on top of the stove, carefully slide a lid over the pan to smother the flames. This action will extinguish most stove-top fires.
- Never attempt to move a burning pan or pot from the stove to outside. Many fires spread and cause serious burns because individuals dropping the flaming oil.
- Never apply water to a grease fire.
- Always turn off power to the stove.
- If the fire is in the oven, always turn the controls off and close the door tightly. This will smother the flames.
- Before cooking, always be sure the oven and stove top are clean and there are no flammables stored in the immediate area. This will help prevent flames spreading.
- Always keep pot handles turned inward and away from the edge of the stove.

This prevents inadvertent tipping and keeps pots out of the reach of children.

- Always use a pot holder or appropriate utensil to remove lids and coverings from heated containers. This prevents steam or contact burns.
 - Always keep flammable fabrics such as towels, dish rags, curtains and loose fitting clothing away from the stove top and burners. This will prevent fabrics from igniting by contact with a burner.
 - Remember, an electric burner coil can reach a temperature of more than 1,000 degrees F. That heat can cause large fires quickly. Never leave cooking unattended.
- To report a fire (of any size), call 117 on post or CIV 0444-71-7092 first.
- Never assume someone else has made the call and always give correct address, location of fire, and your name.
 - Evacuate the building and go to your designated meeting location.
 - Never re-enter a burning building under any circumstances.
- Call your local fire department for info.

Vicenza retains COLA despite drop in Europe

By ANNETTE FOURNIER
USAG Vicenza Public Affairs

USAG Vicenza was the only community north of Rome to retain its cost of living allowance rate while the rest of Europe is experiencing up to a 20 percent COLA reduction.

Vicenza was able to retain its rate, thanks to the community taking part in a recent COLA survey, according to Dawn Perry, Operations Specialist for USAG Vicenza's Military Personnel Division.

Great participation in the survey reflected prices in the retail pricing index accurately and appropriately, allowing Vicenza to keep

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Don't lose your car to expired registration

USAG Vicenza DES

Stay up to date, or risk losing your car. That's a harsh reality that some community members know only too well. "Owners of privately owned vehicles need to be aware that several vehicles in the Vicenza military community were recently confiscated by host nation authorities for being operated on Italian roads with an expired registration," said Deputy DES Adeal Frater. "If you are stopped by host nation authorities and are operating a vehicle with expired registration, that vehicle will be confiscated for a violation of the Italian temporary importation customs law."

All American Forces Italy-plated vehicles fall into this category. Frater said along with the confiscation of the vehicle, a fine will be assessed.

"The vehicle will never be returned and it will become property of the Italian government," he said. "If you are unsure of the registration expiration of your vehicle, take out your registration and frequently check the upper right corner for the expiration date."

If you are still unsure of your expiration date, call Vehicle Registration Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., at 634-7001.

Exceptional Family Member Program: Fulfilling the promise to all Family members

Army Families deal with unique challenges associated with military life, especially when it comes to relocation. Not only do Families have to find a new place to call home, they also have to find new health care and childcare providers, enroll children in new schools and activities and build new networks of friends and support.

These challenges are not easy for any Army Family, but for Families with special needs, they are magnified.

Families with members requiring special educational and medical services often have to rebuild a complex system of providers and services to support the health and development of their Family members. Families can put an incredible amount of time and effort into creating a network that enables their Family members to flourish, and then, when it comes time to relocate, they have to start again.

You're not alone

The Army does not intend for these Families to go it alone. The Exceptional Family Member Program, managed through Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation Command, is a comprehensive, coordinated program that provides community support, educational, medical, housing and personnel services to Families with special needs. Families who have questions or need EFMP support are encouraged to go to the garrison Army Community Service and speak with the EFMP Manager.

Soldiers with Family members who have special needs are required to enroll in EFMP, so that the needs can

be considered during the nominative phase of the military personnel assignment process. Some Soldiers may be reluctant to identify Family members for this program. They may feel that identifying with the program will adversely affect their career. This is simply not true. Army leaders at all levels must help dispel this misconception.

More than just talk

It is also important for Soldiers and their Families to know that the Army's EFMP does much more than provide information for assignment decisions. The EFMP is one way we can keep some of the most important promises articulated in the Army Family Covenant: providing access to high-quality medical care, educational opportunities and family programs that foster an environment in which Families can thrive.

EFMP is currently serving 16 percent of all Army Families, or more than 70,000 registered Family members. The program has provided critical support to Families since its start in 1979. Over the last 30 years, through initiatives such as the Army Family Covenant, the Army's commitment and promises to Families have become more defined. At the same time, the number of on- and off-post programs and services available to Families with special needs have increased and become more diverse.

As a result of the Army Family Covenant promises and the greater array of programs to manage or coordinate with, we are committed to continually seek new ways to enhance our EFMP support to Families.

What you want most

The number one request I hear from EFMP Families during my installation

visits is for assistance in navigating the variety of services and programs available through the Department of Defense, Department of the Army and other federal, local and state agencies. When Soldiers and their Families move to a new location, they need to know what is available on and off the installation and how to access and coordinate all the services.

The 2010 National Defense Authorization Act requires all of the Armed Services to provide additional support for Families with special needs. As a part of the Army's response, Installation Management Command will add 44 System Navigators to the existing EFMP staff at 26 garrisons stateside and overseas.

Even more support

The System Navigators will help Families connect to the local, state and federal resources they need.

The 26 garrisons include Fort Hood, Texas; Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Wash.; Fort Bragg, N.C.; Fort Campbell, Ky.; and Schofield Barracks, Hawaii - the five installations with the highest number of EFMP Families. The System Navigators will be trained and in place within the first quarter of FY11.

System navigation is just one of the areas we are looking at through the Army EFMP Strategic Action Plan, which grew out of EFMP summits held in February 2009 and February 2010. For all of the issues we are looking at - Family member evaluation, enrollment eligibility, information management, coordination of services, new programs and others - our efforts are guided by the concerns of our Families and a focus on improving Soldier and Family well-

being and readiness.

One way Families with special needs can communicate their concerns and recommendations is through the Army Family Action Plan. AFAP is the Army's grassroots effort through which members of the Army community can identify and elevate significant quality of life issues affecting the community to senior leaders for action.

EFMP is also one of the programs that the Services and Infrastructure Core Enterprise is studying to bring about improvements for Army Families. SICE is a collaborative and cross-functional team of more than 15 commands, organizations and staff offices formed to develop solutions to Army-wide challenges. SICE will determine how we can resource

installations with the appropriate number of EFMP staff for the most effective and responsive program.

EFMP has provided and continues to provide invaluable service, but this is an area in which we must always seek innovative ways to enhance support to

Families with special needs. Soldiers and Families need to know before they depart for a new installation that they will be able to find the services necessary for the health and well-being of all their Family members.

Delivering on the promise

This is part of our promise to Families, for the sacrifices they make, and our commitment to Soldiers, whose strength and readiness is rooted in the strength of their Families.

RICK LYNCH

**Lieutenant General, USA
Commander, IMCOM**



The Local Tie
Find out how your Caserma Ederle EFMP is making a real-life difference. Read Nathan's story on PAGE 3

Speak Out

What do you plan to do with your Summer Hire earnings?



Junior Alessia Catena
Library

"I'll probably save it until the end of summer, so I can spend it on items for the upcoming school year."



Sophomore Will Hensley
Arts and Crafts Center

"Buy videogames and shoes."



College Sophomore Alex Schuyler
Auto Skills Center

"To fix my car bumper."



Freshman Abigail Vallery
AFN

"I'll put most of it in the bank and use some to buy new clothes, shoes and some baseball hats."



Freshman Corey Chase
AFN

"Spend it whatever way I want to."

EFMP making difference, one family at a time

USAG Vicenza EFMP

Up-and-coming senior Nathan Woods, 17, is a part of Caserma Ederle's Exceptional Family Member Program family.

"Woods is a shining example of how a community / interagency approach can help," said Frannie Packard, Ederle's EFMP manager.

"Two years ago, when Nathan first moved to Vicenza, he was struggling with social interaction, studies and self esteem," she said. "Two years later with the support of the EFMP program, his DoDDS school teachers, his devoted parents and Nathan's hard work, Nathan is a confident, productive student."

Woods received an EFMP respite care worker in the fall of 2008. The respite care worker attended to study skills and then gave an hour of time to "what did Nathan want to do," explained Packard.

Woods wanted to play basketball. Within a year, he tried out for the team and became the team manager.

"He became an invaluable part of the

team," said Packard, "and the next year the team encouraged him to return for another year."

Nathan became the first student in the HIRED program to successfully finish two terms, working at the library and Arena.

He now has a bank account with debit card and manages his account, something many seniors do not do, said Packard.

Nathan has also attended away games and participated in faith-based Club Beyond service projects to Poland to aid local orphanages.

"And to top off an amazing year, he was the star attraction during the high school talent show this spring performing the best 'Who's on First' routine you have ever seen," said Packard. "Nathan received a rousing round of applause!"

To find out more about EFMP services and programs, Packard said community members can call her at 634-8582 or Jean Sweeton at 634-7912.

EFMP services are located in the Army Community Service's Davis Hall.

"We look forward to seeing you," said Packard.



Photo by Laura Kreider

USAG Vicenza Commander Col. Erik Daiga gives EFMP member Nathan Woods a coin after Woods finishes his second HIRED program at the Arena bowling alley.

Family, friend support helps community member deal with grief after wife's passing

As I begin to sift through the pleasant memories of the many years I spent with my wife and deal with the grief associated with her passing, the outpouring of supporting condolences that I have received from the entire Vicenza Italian/American community tempers my sadness and helps me begin to accept her loss and galvanize my desire to move forward.

The senior leadership at the command and post level, all of the Soldiers and their families, as well as the entire civilian side have been nothing short of super. Your support during this difficult time validates our decision taken many years ago to remain in the Vicenza area.

After a 30-year military career, Pia and I decided that we considered it necessary to remain near an Army base upon retirement. Since we were firmly entrenched here in Vicenza, we felt that we could capitalize on our understanding of the local culture and post requirement and in some small way help the Soldiers and their families achieve a high quality of

life during their tour of duty.

We understood that our role would not be that of military leadership, but rather that of involved community citizens who could pick up the slack by volunteering within the post organizations, affording those committed to caring for and training Soldiers the precious time to focus their efforts appropriately and maximize their resources as needed.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

As a team we thoroughly appreciated the opportunity to work with all of the Vicenza family and wholeheartedly relished the devotion to duty we were able to share with all of you.

My team of two has now been halved, but as I think of all there is to still do, I look forward to continuing my efforts and contribute in any way I can. In closing, please accept my deepest thanks for all you have done for me and continue to do every day.

JOSEPH MANETTI
USAG Vicenza

Retirement Resource Center volunteer

Strong U.S. dollar causes COLA drop throughout Europe

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their COLA constant, Perry said.

The Department of Defense reduced COLA in most U.S. military communities in Europe because the U.S. dollar has been gaining strength against most European currencies.

The allowance is designed to offset the higher prices of non-housing goods and services overseas, but not for purchases made on base, so that service members can afford to purchase the same level of goods and services as if they were stationed in the U.S.

COLA is paid as a percentage of a member's spendable income, and is based on several factors, including rank, grade, years of service, family size, location and exchange rate, according to DoD's Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee's website.

Fluctuations in currency exchange rates can affect COLA and Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA) payments. Currency strengths are evaluated twice a month.

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Community Camera

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

Festa Americana 2010



Photos by Laura Kreider

Community members take a break at the food booths set up near the North 40 during the "Festa Americana" Independence Day celebration Saturday. This year's festivities kicked off with the Salute to the Nation ceremony Friday, continued with community events Saturday and ended with a laser light show Sunday night.



(Above) Children enjoy cotton candy at the Festa Americana. The festival events included kiddie rides, clowns, face painting, marching band and a dunk tank.

(Left) A member of the "Note in Allegria" band from Dueville, about 10 miles north of Vicenza, performs at the event. Several bands and dancers performed on the main stage, set up on the North 40 field.

(Right) Children try out the slides in the rides section of the fest. Other rides included bumper cars, swings and carousel.



U.S. and Italian youth enjoy a spin on the spinning swings Saturday at the installation's Independence Day celebrations.



Majorettes from Dueville perform in the parade Saturday.

Darby Dates

Visit www.usag.livorno.army.mil

Sponsorship Basics

Learn to be an awesome sponsor Tuesday. Call ACS at 633-7084 for information.

Dress for Success

Learn appropriate attire for an interview Wednesday at ACS. Call 633-7084 for details.

Banking & Credit Unions

Find out the differences between banks and Credit Unions July 15 at ACS. Call 633-7084 for more information.

Deployment Support

Is your spouse or loved one deployed? If you need a safe place to talk about your feelings and stress, join the deployment support group on Wednesdays. Call 633-7084.

Beach volleyball

Come to the American Beach every Wednesday beginning at 5:30 p.m. for beach volleyball fun. Call Sports & Fitness for more information at 633-7440.

Parents' Night Out

Parents can enjoy an evening out and leave the childcare to CYSS July 30. Multiple child discount of 10 percent applies. Register by July 27. Call 633-7681.

ITR Trips

- Spend the day in **Florence** at your leisure July 17, 24 or 31.
- Visit central **Italy's largest amusement park** July 18.
- Visit **Venice** with ITR Monday, July 19 or 26.
- Visit **Cinque Terre** Tuesday, July 20 or 27.
- At your own pace, visit **Rome's** most historic sites with ITR July 15, 22 or 29.
- Visit **Elba** July 16, 23 or 30.

Camp 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

10 a.m.: Protestant Sunday school

11:15 a.m.: Catholic CCD

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 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Choir practice is at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday before Mass.

(From left) Lyman Parkhurst, Sain Engineering Associates inspector, and Marco Orsolini, Directorate of Public Works Utilities, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration technician, inspect cooling systems around Camp Darby to find ways to improve energy efficiency.



Darby strives for efficiency

Story and photos by JOYCE COSTELLO
USAG Livorno Public Affairs

Sain Engineering Associates and Camp Darby's Directorate of Public Works conducted a weeklong assessment of the installation's Energy Awareness and Conservation program recently to find ways that Darby can increase its energy efficiency.

Energy and water conservation are required by U.S. Federal, Italian and DoD regulations, and the EACA is a program directed by IMCOM-HQ to assess garrisons for energy conservation performance and identify ways to conserve energy. According to DPW Director Harry Kronley, SEA Inspector Lyman Parkhurst found that many times while he's inspecting garrisons around the world, he can easily identify solutions and minor adjustments that save garrison dollars.

"Often with simple things like putting external lights on daytime sensor controls or physically turning off lights that don't need to be used during daylight, installations can see savings," said Parkhurst. "Often though, we try to automate solutions to help people from wasting energy."

He noted during the Camp Darby inspection that a significant amount of domestic water is solar heated.

"It is important to protect and preserve our natural resources and leveraging technology that can help the Army do that is a good way to improve operational capabilities," said Parkhurst.

"The most critical role in managing energy use is building managers and occupants," said Kronley. "By controlling the lighting and thermostats, reporting energy waste to DPW for repairs, and being aware of their energy and water use, building occupants can greatly help in reducing USAG Livorno energy consumption."

Individuals can learn how to improve energy efficiency at work and home by visiting the U.S. Department of Energy's "Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy" website at <http://www.energysavers.gov/>.



Spc. Donald White, Public Health Command Region-Europe, conducts quarterly monitoring of the Camp Darby drinking water system. The overall goal of routine monitoring is to ensure the water is safe and healthy to drink for the USAG Livorno community, according to Maj. Ken Spicer, environmental science officer. USAG Livorno recently underwent a weeklong energy efficiency inspection. Learn how to improve your efficiency at <http://www.energysavers.gov/>.

3/405th AFSB supports USAID resupply mission

By JENNIFER L. KING
405th AFSB Public Affairs

The 3rd Battalion, 405th Army Field Support Brigade, completed a resupply operation in support of the U.S. Agency for International Development's U.S. Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance May 28.

The battalion shipped 1,000 rolls of plastic sheeting to USAID's Dubai warehouse in preparation for future natural disaster response.

"Our battalion maintains USAID's emergency relief supplies under an interagency agreement," said Col. Roger McCreery, the commander of the

3rd Battalion. "In addition to preparing USAID relief supplies for shipment directly to a disaster area, we also maintain their stocks and can ship them to the two other USAID warehouses in Dubai and Miami as needed."

The battalion is uniquely situated to support missions such as this because of its easy access to rail, water and air transportation.

The unit is responsible for the storage and maintenance of USAID emergency humanitarian assistance commodities under an interagency agreement between the U.S. Army and the U.S. State Department.



Courtesy photo

The 3-405 AFSB supports disaster relief.

Ready to rock?

A performer jams during SocoRock 2009. Experience and enjoy live rock concerts during SocoRock 2010 going on through Sunday in Grisignano di Zocco, Parco Tesinella Sud. Entrance is free. Food booths open at 8:30 p.m. Live rock concerts kick off at 9:30 p.m. For more details, visit <http://www.socorock.it/>.

Courtesy file photo



Local festivals & shows

Prosciuttando Ham Festival: Saturday and Sunday, in Nanto, 11 miles south of Vicenza.

■ Saturday: 5:45 p.m. departure from Piazza Simposio for free bus tours and guided visits to the King's ham factory and ham tasting in Sossano.

Reserve your visit by calling 0444-635155. If you need help, call Anna Terracino at 634-7169 or send an e-mail to anna.terracino@eur.army.mil; 7 p.m. food stands featuring dishes prepared with truffles and extra virgin olive oil; 8 p.m. World Cup Soccer Final (3rd and 4th place match) live on a big movie screen.

■ Sunday at noon food booths open; exhibit and sale of truffles and ham and extra virgin olive oil; 3 p.m. Aerobatic model aircraft show; 8 p.m. World Cup Soccer Final (1st and 2nd place match) live on a big movie screen.

Fimon Festival: Friday-Monday in Fimon, Arcugnano, about 4 miles south of Vicenza. Food booths featuring traditional local dishes open at 7 p.m.

■ Friday at 9 p.m. live music with Jeff.

■ Saturday at 9 p.m. live music and dancing with Blu Moon Orchestra.

■ Sunday at 2:30 p.m. entertainment with jugglers and

acrobats; 9 p.m. live music and dancing with the Melody Orchestra.

■ Monday at 9 p.m. live music and dancing with the Melody Orchestra; Raffle and World Cup Soccer Final (1st and 2nd place match) live on a big movie screen.

Hoga Zait Cimbrian Festival: Thursday-Sunday in Roana, about 37 miles north of Vicenza. Hoga Zait in the Cimbrian language means "time to celebrate." The inhabitants of many mountain towns of the province claim to be descendants of the ancient Cimbrian people of Scandinavia origin. The Cimbrian language is no longer in use but it is still reflected in the nicknames of many local families and old traditions together with ancient legends of gnomes, fairies and other woodland creatures.

■ Thursday: in Canove, Campovorovere, Cesuna, Roana, 9 p.m. Celtic and Cimbrian music and dances; 10 p.m. propitiatory bonfires. Local participants wear traditional Cimbrian costumes.

■ Friday: in Canove at 5 p.m. Hoga Zait official opening; 9 p.m. Lebanese live music and dances.

■ Saturday: in Campovorovere at 9 p.m. African live music with the Touareg blues.

■ Sunday: in Roana at 9 p.m. live music with the Latchodrome band.

Cruisin' Rodeo Italian U.S. car meet: Saturday-Sunday in

Buccinasco, Milan, Santa Maria Lake, 146 miles west of Vicenza. Free entry.

Car contest. Awards will be presented to various categories: oldies, fifties, sixties, hot rod, airbrush & pin striping, movie cars, and more.

■ Saturday: 9 p.m. live music with Starliters.

■ Sunday: 11 a.m. live music with Hellcats; 4:30 p.m. awards ceremony.

For more information, visit <http://www.cruisinrodeo.it/>.

Notte Bianca - All night shopping and entertainment in Montecchio Maggiore: Saturday, from 8 p.m. to sunrise in Piazza Marconi, Piazzetta Garibaldi, Via Lorenzoni, Largo Boschetti, Piazzetta del Municipio, about 12 miles west of Vicenza. Food booths, concerts, live entertainment, exhibits and sales.

SocoRock: through Sunday in Grisignano di Zocco, Parco Tesinella Sud. Free entrance. Food booths open at 8:30 p.m.. Live rock concerts at 9:30 p.m. For more details, visit <http://www.socorock.it/>.

Free local events

Painting exhibit Carolina Antich: through July 18, Thursdays and Fridays 4-7:30 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays 10 a.m. - noon & 4-7:30 p.m. in Vicenza, SS. Ambrogio and Bellino Church, Contra Sant' Ambrogio 23.

Painting exhibit "Inside Palladio": through Saturday, 7 a.m.-8 p.m., in Vicenza, Fashion Café, Contrà Mure Pallamaio 6. e

Live punk music with Rezillos from Edinburgh: Saturday, 7 p.m. in Grisignano di Zocco, Parco Tesinella Sud, Via dei Pioppi.

Jazz Jam Session: Sunday, 5:30 p.m., in Vicenza, Equobar, Strada Marosticana, 350.

RNR live with Boss Martians -Gonzales: Sunday, 7 p.m. in Grisignano di Zocco, Parco



A Cruisin' Rodeo Italian U.S. car meet is set in Milan Saturday and Sunday. See above for information. (Courtesy photo)

Tesinella Sud, Via dei Pioppi.

Explore the sky: Astronomical Observatory of Arcugnano, Tuesday, 9 p.m., Via S. Giustina, 127, about five miles south of Vicenza. View the sky and the planets in great detail with the observatory's telescope.

Retox Indie-rock trio in concert: July 16, 9 p.m., in San Germano dei Berici, Bar Miravale, Via Roma 11, about 20 miles south of Vicenza.

Concerts

Mark Knopfler: Friday in Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova), Anfiteatro Camerini; July 10 in Lucca, Piazza Napoleone; July 12 in Perugia; July 14 in Milan.

Earth, Wind & Fire: Wednesday in Rome, at the Parco della Musica.

Crosby Stills & Nash: July 16 in Milan; July 18 in Lucca, at the Piazza Napoleone.

Norah Jones: July 20 in Milan; July 24 in Venice, Piazza San Marco.

Simply Red - Farewell -The Final Tour: July 23 in Lucca, Piazza Napoleone; July 25 in Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova), the Anfiteatro Camerini; 27 July in Rimini, Arena 105 Stadium; Nov. 20 in Milan, at the Mediolanum Forum.

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

Michael Bolton: Aug. 3 in Gardone Riviera at Teatro Vittoriale.

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

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

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

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

laSharp.

Peter Gabriel: Sept. 26 in Verona, Arena.

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

Interpol: Nov. 17 in Milan, Palasharp.

To purchase tickets, visit Media World in the Palladio Shopping Center, Torri di Quartesolo.

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

Sporting events

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

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

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

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

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

ODR trips

Grab your passport and head to **Portorose, Slovenia**, Sunday.

Go **kayak fishing** at **Sottomarina** and the **Chioggia canal** Sunday at 7 a.m.

Are you **SCUBA certified** yet? The next basic open water course begins Monday.

Jump on the **Vienna Express** July 17 for a guided tour of downtown Vienna.

Ride the rapids July 17 with **whitewater rafting** on the Noce River.

Check out all of ODR's summer trips online at VicenzaMWR.com. To access RecTrac online and enroll for a trip, recreation activity or arts and crafts class, visit <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/Vicenzarectrac.html>.

Now Showing



Ederle Theater

Thursday	Death at a Funeral (R)	6 p.m.
Friday	Furry Vengeance (PG)	6 p.m.
	A Nightmare on Elm Street (R)	9 p.m.
Saturday	The Twilight Saga: Eclipse (PG-13)	3 p.m.
	The Last Airbender (PG)	6 p.m.
Sunday	The Twilight Saga: Eclipse (PG-13)	3 p.m.
	The Last Airbender (PG)	6 p.m.
Wed.	A Nightmare on Elm Street (R)	6 p.m.
July 15	Furry Vengeance (PG)	6 p.m.

Camp Darby Theater

Friday	Toy Story 3 (G)	6 p.m.
Saturday	Furry Vengeance (PG)	6 p.m.
Sunday	Toy Story 3 (G)	1 p.m.
July 15	Iron Man 2 (PG-13)	6 p.m.

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

View **MOVIE TRAILERS** and schedule online at <http://www.aafes.com/ems/euro/vicenza.htm> or <http://www.aafes.com/ems/euro/livorno.htm>.

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

Child care offered for remembrance ceremony

CYSS will provide free child care for the 173rd remembrance ceremony Tuesday from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m..

Children must be registered with CYSS and any additional time reserved before or after the two-hour period must be paid by the parent.

Reserve care in advance by calling SAS at 634-8253 or the CDC at 634-7559. When reserving, parents must mention that they will be attending the ceremony.

Praise an employee with ICE feedback

Visit www.usag.vicenza.army.mil <http://www.usag.vicenza.army.mil/> or visit http://ice.disa.mil/index.cfm?fa=site&site_id=321 to acknowledge an employee for a job well done.

Abandoned bicycles

Several bikes appear to have been abandoned on the bike rack at the PX and throughout the installation.

Installation officials plan to have the bikes impounded if they are not claimed within 16 days of the publication of this notice.

Beat the clock with bowling skills

Monday Madness in July: From 6 p.m. until closing, beat the clock by bowling as many games as possible for \$10 per hour. Shoe rental not included.

Lion's Den Luau

Need a break from the summer heat? Cool off with the Lion's Den Luau. Wear your beach attire and enjoy your favorite summertime drink specials and giveaways all night long.

Support Women's Equality Day Aug. 26

The EO office is seeking volunteers for Women's Equality Day Aug. 26. Contact Sgt. Maj. Del Hoyo at 634-7093 or [Oswaldo.delhoyo@eur.army.mil](mailto:delhoyo@eur.army.mil).

Learn Parisian recipes with French Bistro

Experience the atmosphere of Paris with the simplicity and elegance of "Menu Petite;" learn to make breast of duck, onion soup, crepes and apple tart. Sign up for French Bistro class Monday, part of the Krafty Kitchen series.

Embroidery basics

Embroidery Machine Basics on July 17, 9-11 a.m., teaches setting up pre-programmed designs, thread changes, hoop changes and more.

Wooden Critters class

Ready to use the wood shop but not sure where to get started? Sign up for the Woodshop 101 Wooden Critters class July 15.

You will learn basic carpentry skills while building a critter to swing in a tree, on your deck or in your house. Register at the arts and crafts center or online at <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/Vicenzarectrac.html>. Call 634-7074

for information on classes.

Smooth Move workshop

Students who arrived this summer and will be in grades 6, 7 or 8 are invited to the Smooth Move workshop Wednesday, 10:30 to noon, in the Vicenza school cafeteria.

Whether attending the new middle school in Villaggio, an Italian school or a homeschool, if you are new to the area, this workshop is for you. It includes activities, fun and great handouts for the summer and next school year. Call 634-5998.

Sports, Fitness and Aquatics

Interested in playing flag football? Register by calling Ricky Jackson at 634-7009. Registration ends Aug. 18 with the first game starting Aug. 25. The season runs through Oct. 18.

Cardboard boat regatta

Get your boat ready for the "Great Cardboard Boat Regatta" July 24. The rules are posted on the Aquatics page at www.vicenzaMWR.com. You must register your boat before July 21 at the post fitness center. Call 634-5181.

Toddler in Tow

If you have a Toddler in Tow, you can now use the Functional Room located next to the Family Room in fitness center's new addition. Children must remain in strollers and with parent at all times Monday-Friday mornings from 8:30 -11 a.m. or in the afternoons from 1:30-4 p.m. Call 634-6530.

CYS Services

Join the fun and excitement with the School Age Center summer camps. Hourly care is available and off post field trips take place every Tuesday and Thursday. Next week's trip, Monday through July 16, is to Parco Minitalia. For more

information call 634-8253.

Coaches clinic

CYSS Youth Sports and Fitness offers coaching clinics Monday, 1-3 p.m. or July 30 1-3 p.m. Our community needs you to volunteer to coach our youth teams. Volunteers will be trained. Call 634-6151 to register.

Youth baseball clinic

A youth baseball clinic is set Monday to July 16 for participants, ages 8-18. The cost is \$20 and participants must be registered with CYSS and have a valid health assessment. Register at Parent Central Services.

Parents' Night Out

Parents' Night Out is July 16, 7 p.m.-midnight. Sign up at Parent Central Services before Friday.

Lunch Bistro set

Join the ACS for lunch Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. The next Lunch Bistro topic will be: "Stress Relief through Home Spa Remedies."

Package pick-up

The Postal Service Center will now issue all packages from Bldg. 302. The new package pick-up area is now next to the customer receptacle area. There is no longer a need to go to the tent to retrieve packages. For information, call 634-7028.

Passport fee increases

Passport fees will increase beginning Tuesday. Changes include the following:

- A first-time passport book for an adult will increase from \$100 to \$135.
- An adult passport book renewal will increase from \$75 to \$110.
- The fee for a minor passport book (age 16 and under) will increase from \$85 to \$105.
- The charge for a consular

report of birth abroad will increase from \$65 to \$100.

For more information, call the Passport Office at 634-7721.

Travel to Paris, earn university credits

Tour the neighborhoods of Paris while learning about the expatriate writers of the 1920s.

University of Maryland University College is offering the field study course, Expatriate Writers in Paris: 1920s, Aug. 7-14 in Paris, France. Registration deadline is July 16. Visit www.ed.umuc.edu/fieldstudy or contact a UMUC field representative for information.

ARIMS training

ARIMS training will be conducted at the Distance Learning Center, Bldg. 128 on Tuesday.

Fifteen slots are available, so it is first come, first served.

This class teaches how to set up and maintain official files in an easy automated way that is in compliance with all regulations. RSVP with Romina Chemello at 634-7752 or romina.chemello@eur.army.mil.

Visit <https://www.arims.army.mil/MainPage.aspx> and go to the link ARIMS Web Based Training Module to become familiar with the tools available. Login and register at the ARIMS home page prior to the training date. There is a minimum of 10 participants.

Community Calendar Highlights

July 28: InfoX at the Arena
Aug. 13-16: USAREUR Training Holiday
Aug. 15: End of NSPS Rating Cycle (For Garrison)
Aug. 25: Info X
Sept. 2: First Day of School
Sept. 3-6: USAREUR Training Holiday



Photo by Sgt. Justin Vincent

Excellence in Safety: The Army Safety Excellence streamer is awarded to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, USAG Vicenza for successfully completing 12 consecutive months without experiencing a Soldier / unit at fault Class A or B accident and have 100 percent completion of Composite Risk Management training within the last 24 months at time of submission. USAG Vicenza Command Sgt. Maj. Jeffrey Hartless applies the streamer to the garrison colors June 30.

Religious activities

Chaplain Crisis Line

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

Sunday services

8 a.m.: Sacrament of Reconciliation, or by appointment

9 a.m.: Roman Catholic Mass

(Daily Mass is held weekdays at noon)

9 a.m.: Protestant Sunday school and AWANAs (September-May at Vicenza High School)

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

11 a.m.: Protestant worship

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

5 p.m.: Contemporary Christian service

Mondays

Noon: LDS scripture study

Tuesdays

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

Wednesdays

3 p.m.: Praise dance practice

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

5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice

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

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

5:30 p.m.: Catholic choir practice

6:45 p.m.: Gospel choir practice

Thursdays

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

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

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

Faith group contacts

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

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

Latter Day Saints: Scripture study held Mondays, noon-1 p.m. at chapel. Sunday services, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. downtown. Call Sean Peterson at 335-821-9492. Call the Caserma Ederle chapel at 634-7519 (0444-71-7519) for religious activities information.

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

Battle of the sexes

Shannon Reynolds, Julia Sibilla, Charity Smith and Jo Ann Campos face off against Wilmer Aguilar and Steven Joseph during a friendly game June 26 between the post's men's and women's teams. The game helped soccer referee clinic participants practice as referees. "It was a good opportunity for the women to work on skills," said player Sara Brasher. Both teams practice Tuesdays and Thursdays on the multipurpose field.

Courtesy photo



Sports Shorts

Coaches needed

CYSS Sports & Fitness is in need of a baseball instructor for the summer youth baseball clinic Monday to July 16, 9:30-11:30 a.m. If anyone would like to volunteer to teach the youth summer baseball clinic, call Nicole Fulbright or Alex Ruiz at 634-6151.

Outdoor programs kick off Monday

Youth grades 6-12 can join the EDGE! Outdoor program now through July 28. They participate in adventures such as rock climbing, kayaking, snorkeling, scuba and mountain biking.

Call 634-7219 for information on registration and eligibility requirements. Call today; space is limited.

Soccer, flag football registration starts

Adult soccer registration will end Tuesday. The first game will take place Tuesday and games will continue through Oct. 12. Call 634-7616 to register.

Flag football registration begins July 19. The season starts Aug. 25.

Sports clinics slated

CYSS Sports and Fitness summer sport clinics are coming up July-August. Clinics are held 9:30-11:30 a.m. and cost \$20. Call 634-6151.

Baseball: Monday - July 16

Soccer: July 19-23

Basketball: July 26-30

Yoga: Aug. 2-6

Triathlon: Aug. 9-13.

Graf hosting Army Europe 10-Miler qualification race

The qualification race for Soldiers wanting to compete on the U.S. Army Europe 10-Miler team is Saturday at USAG Grafenwoehr.

The top 12 active-duty Soldiers (six each in the men and women's divisions) will be nominated to represent U.S. Army Europe during the Oct. 24 Army 10-Miler in D.C.

To be considered, male competitors must finish under 68 minutes, while female runners must finish at 86 minutes or better.

While only Soldiers can compete for the U.S. Army Europe team, everyone with a U.S. DoD identification card, and at least 18, may participate in the Europe 10-Miler.

Call DSN 379-7667 / CIV (49) 06202-80-7667 for late sign-ups. Register at <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/Grafenwoehrrectrac.html>.

Edge! soccer program winds up season with shoot out

Story by TOM HLAVACEK
CYSS Edge! Manager

The spring CYSS youth soccer program ended the season with a shoot out June 26 at the multipurpose field.

The program was held in conjunction with the USAG Vicenza annual soccer official's clinic.

In an inter-squad scrimmage, Diego Luna, 8, scored the first goal from 10 yards out. Five minutes later, Kennedy Folsie scored with a cross from the left side into the right side of the net. Sohrab Shaikh and Jacob Nantz III added goals in the 2nd half to initiate a shoot out.

The shoot out ended up as a family affair with two members of the same family scoring goals for their teams. Estelle and Robin Silk scored for their

team while Sheryar Shaikh and brother Sohrab knotted the penalty shootout for their squad. The game ended in a tie and went down to the 11th member on each team.

The game served as a teaching experience for the youth enrolled in the program and helped wind up the several-month youth-focused education and enrichment program. Two starters from the high school team assisted. Taylor Curry and Ronaldo Reytervogel, Jr., assisted the younger players with ball control, two-touch and proper passing. Coaches Stephen Joseph, Terry Williams, and Mario Luna coached the EDGE! team this season.

"Overall it was a tremendous experience," said Coach Mario Luna. "We had a lot of fun but these kids

learned so much in terms of technical and tactical aspects of good soccer. Being able to play a couple of Italian teams, being able to put on the uniforms and just have fun -- it proved that there is huge soccer interest for the kids here. The kids were constantly learning, the physical benefits are enormous.

"When the kids are at the field before the coaches and they don't want to go home at the end after playing, I call that success."

The next CYSS summer soccer clinic is scheduled for July 19 - 23 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the turf field. The CYSS sports and fitness soccer season will be conducted Sept. 13 - Nov. 6. Enrollment is July 19 - Aug. 6.

Contact the CYSS office at DSN 634-6151 for more information.



Photo by Laura Kreider

VBS mates: Middle school shipmates lead the children in the theme song "Vast Voyage" during 2010 Vacation Bible School at the Caserma Ederle post chapel July 1. More than 100 children from throughout the U.S. military community in Vicenza participated in the annual VBS June 28 - July 2. This year's theme was High Seas Expedition: Exploring the Mighty Love of God. During the weeklong event, youth played games, watched movies, made crafts, went on Bible Voyages and ate goodies, all with a sea-faring theme. "About 20 middle and high school volunteers served as shipmates, leading songs, dance, helping at the learning stations and guiding children throughout the day," explained Dr. Grace Yeuell, the chapel's director of religious education and VBS program director. "Over 50 adult volunteers worked daily to make this year's VBS a huge success," she said.

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SOLDIERS & CIVILIANS COMMUNITY UNIT/REC OPEN PLAY SPORTS

Basketball Open Play

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

Volleyball Open Play

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

Men's Soccer Team Open Play

7-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays at the fitness center, approximately 16 or more participants

Women's Soccer Team Open Play

5:30-7 p.m. Mondays, 5:30-7 p.m. Thursdays, at the Multi-Purpose field approximately 10 or more participants

Men's Softball Open Play

7:30-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays & Thursdays at the Villaggio softball field, approximately 10 or more participants

Community 10-Miler Team Training

Meet Monday - Friday, 6 a.m. at the track to train for the European 10-Miler Championship in Grafenwoehr, Germany.