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Out of the MUD Into the COOL

Villaggio pool lifeguard Andrew Robinson (center) struggled with competitors as he tried to hold on to a greased watermelon July 18. Robinson's struggle against his competitors was one of many fun activities during the FMWR-sponsored Out of the Mud celebration. The day-long event was in appreciation of the patience displayed by Villaggio residents during the housing area's construction phase.

PX shoplifting down, costs up

Incidents decrease as thieves target higher value items

AAFES press release

Shoplifters in the U.S. military community in Vicenza sent mixed signals in 2008 as incidents

decreased, but thieves, increasingly interested in "high value items," raised costs and reduced dividends for all AAFES shoppers.

High-tech electronic article surveillance systems, eagle-eyed closed circuit television cameras and an aggressive youth shoplifting awareness

campaign played a role in decreasing occurrences at the Vicenza PX by 10 percent, from 10 in 2007 to 9 in 2008.

While occurrences decreased, the cost of products involved in detected cases went up from \$753.63 in 2007 to \$1,107.39.

AAFES, which has

contributed more than \$2.4 billion to Army Morale, Welfare and Recreation and Air Force Services programs in the past 10 years, continues to focus its efforts on reducing theft to maximize the investment authorized shoppers make in their exchange benefit.

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Defense board eyeing NSPS overhaul

Group hopes to reinstate GS system, calls pay-pool process overly complex

By JIM GARAMONE

American Forces Press Service

A Defense Business Board task group has recommended reconstruction of the National Security Personnel System.

Rudy DeLeon, the chairman of the group and former deputy defense secretary, said NSPS, a pay-for-performance system, tried to do "too much, too quickly," and his group recommended the moratorium on converting general schedule jobs to NSPS continue.

About 205,000 of the 865,000 Defense

Department civilians are in NSPS. The full Defense Business Board will review the task group's recommendations and will prepare a report for Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates. The first recommendation is to reconstruct the system.

"Reconstruction is a level of effort and sophistication more than just fixes," DeLeon said. "It's going to require a significant amount of diagnosis before you come in with reconstruction."

DeLeon said an effective pay-for-

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A supportive culture requires leadership commitment, open communication, transparency and employee trust of supervisors and leaders.

Officers can apply now for Army funded law school



Judge Advocate Recruiting Office photo

Pictured are (from left) Lt. Col Travis Rogers, instructor at the Judge Advocate General Legal Center and School in Charlottesville, Va., and Vicenza's Gabriella Ordonez-Mackey, the installation's civilian labor law attorney. Mackey is married to Vicenza's 173rd ABCT Judge Advocate Maj. Joseph Mackey, who attended the Army's funded legal education program as a captain.

Vicenza SJA Office

The Office of The Judge Advocate General is now accepting applications for the Army's Funded Legal Education Program.

Under this program, the Army projects sending up to 25 active duty commissioned officers to law school at government expense if funding permits.

Selected officers will attend law school beginning the fall of 2010 and will remain on active duty while attending law school.

Interested officers should review Chapter 14, AR 27-1 (The Judge Advocate General's Funded Legal Education Program) to determine their eligibility.

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Army Family Covenant

What's in it for *YOU*?

USAG Vicenza Public Affairs
press release

When Gen. George W. Casey Jr., Army chief of staff, unveiled his plan for an Army Family Covenant in October 2007, many people were curious what AFC would do for them.

"My husband was deployed last year with Fusion Company, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment," said Christy Davis. "My daughter took tap as one of her free SKIES Unlimited classes.

"I used the free child care like crazy," Davis continued. "During the deployment my son wasn't in school yet and I needed to work out at the gym. I also volunteer for the school and for Army Community Service. I don't think I ever had hours left over at the end of the month. I took advantage of many free events, such as the Edelweiss trips and my children

"I used free child care like crazy. During the deployment my son wasn't in school yet and I needed to work out at the gym. I also volunteer for the school and ACS... I took advantage of many of the free events."

-Christy Davis, wife of 2-503 Inf. Regt. Soldier, on AFC benefits

attended free events at the chapel."

Davis is just one of many throughout the U.S. military community in Vicenza who have taken advantage of what AFC has to offer, thanks to more than \$1 million in program funding.

Child, Youth and School Services AFC benefits

Thanks to AFC, all Soldiers are eligible for free child care during family readiness group meetings, some free SKIES Unlimited classes, (but may only be enrolled in one free class at a time) and some free CYSS team or individual sports per child. Soldiers preparing for deployment were also eligible for free hourly child care during

mandatory deployment meetings.

In addition to these savings, Soldiers serving during mission level 1 or 2, wounded warriors and families of fallen Soldiers all receive 16 hours of free respite care per child per month during the designated eligible period and \$2 per hour per child hourly care beyond the free respite care hours.

Additional AFC benefits include:

- Mission Level 1 benefits (begins 30 days before deployment/TDY of at least 180 days and end 60 days after:

- 20 percent reduction in fees for regularly scheduled full-day and part-day programs (CDC,

FCC, PDPS, SAS) when the spouse, custodial parent or guardian is employed or a student.

Rear Detachment:

- Five hours free hourly respite care per child/month during designated support assignment.

Wounded Warriors:

- Unlimited free hourly care for medical appointments.

- Category 1 fees for regularly scheduled full-day and part-day programs (CDC, FCC, PDPS, SAS).

Fallen Warriors:

- 40 additional free hours of hourly care per child for immediate family of deceased (valid from notification to four

weeks after burial).

- Category 1 fees for regularly scheduled full-day and part-day programs (CDC, FCC, PDPS, SAS).

Sports, Fitness and Adventure

- USAG Vicenza was the pilot location for Warrior Adventure Quest September 2008. WAQ works with Outdoor Recreation to help Soldiers adjust to home life after returning from combat. Events include paintball, white-water rafting and mountain biking.

- The post fitness center participated in the FMWRC bulk purchase of strength and cardio equipment installed in the renovated fitness center.

- The Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers lounge has been identified as the interim Warrior Zone. The facility is located next to the Warrior Transition Unit, USO and dining facility. AFC funding has enabled BOSS to offer free or low-cost events to single Soldiers.

AFC-funded Warrior Adventure Quest hosts paintball tournaments and (far right) helps fund SKIES Unlimited classes like ballet.
File photos



Speak Out

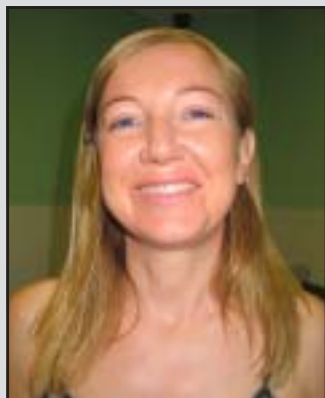
What kind of social media do you use?

Flickr, MySpace, YouTube, Twitter, Facebook, others?



Tashima Beach
Education Center

"I check my Facebook every day, sharing photos and socializing, but I also post messages to promote important issues."



Michela Zanotto
Communication Center

"I only e-mail. I work with computers all day so I really don't use social media much. I spend extra time with my daughter."



Spc. Jeremiah Johnson
HHC, 173rd ABCT

"I check my MySpace page once a week to communicate with family and friends back home. It's easier than e-mail."



Jazzmen Sulick
Fitness Center

"I always check my Facebook and MySpace. I share pictures, keep in touch and update friends here and in the U.S."



Cristian Addison
Family member

"I use YouTube to look up stuff but stick to Facebook and MySpace to talk to friends."

The Noncommissioned Officer

PROFILES OF SUCCESS



Master Sgt. Chad Anderson

Unit: HHC., 173rd ABCT

Current Position: Chief Intelligence NCO

Age: 35

Hometown: Retsof, N.Y.

Years in service: 15

What would surprise people about you: I'm approachable, but brashly honest.

Biggest mentor(s) and why: Master Sgt. (Ret.) Aaron Scott. He taught me to be a leader by his actions, not his words.

Life's ambition: To finish everything I start.

Motto: Veni, vidi, vici. (*I came, I saw, I conquered.*)

Your definition of an NCO: A fair and impartial leader who places mission accomplishment and Soldier welfare first and personal desires last.

Advice for junior Soldiers: Learn all you can as early as possible. You learn from everyone you encounter, regardless of your opinion of them.

Reason for your success: A myriad of great NCOs along the way.

Your defining moment as an NCO: Receiving appreciative thanks from a former Soldier, and then getting the chance to observe him excel among his peers.

Visit the Army's Web site dedicated to the Year of the NCO at www.army.mil/Year_of_the_NCO.

Home sweet home, but buyer beware

USAG Vicenza PAO staff report

For many Americans the dream of home ownership doesn't necessarily end when they move from place to place. However, buying a home in a foreign country can present some very unique challenges.

For community members interested in purchasing a home in Italy, the Staff Judge Advocate, Client Services Division has fact sheets available in its office (Bldg. 214, second floor).

First and foremost: Legal assistance personnel are not able to resolve conflicting information concerning residency status and tax obligations or provide assistance in the event of a dispute.

A fact sheet also encourages potential home buyers to consider the following:

- 1 You have lived in Italy for at least a year and know you like it and will stay here a long time.
- 2 You plan to own and live in the home long enough to generate equity.



3 You are aware that as an Italian non-resident your status will require additional expenses and tax obligations.

4 You speak Italian or have connected Italian speaking contacts who can assist you in the home-buying process.

5 You are prepared mentally and financially to address many unexpected events.

Still interested in buying a home? Consider the following information:

NATO SOFA information

U.S. Soldiers and civilian employees stationed in Italy retain U.S. residency and are not considered residents of Italy. In Italy, a person's residence is a legal status. Italian non-residents are treated differently than residents.

If you purchase a home as a resident, you may lose NATO SOFA privileges such as employment, freedom from income taxation, and access to the commissary, PX and community mail room.

U.S. Income Tax Considerations

U.S. taxpayers are permitted to itemize deductions and deduct mortgage interest and property taxes paid on their home.

However, the IRS does not permit civilian taxpayers who receive tax-free LQA to itemize mortgage interest and property tax payments.

While the intent is not to discourage anyone from buying a home in Italy, the best advice is the same no matter where your new home is located - caveat emptor (buyer beware).

Overall conclusion on pay-pool process: lacks transparency

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performance system requires commitments in time, money and effort.

"A supportive culture requires leadership commitment, open communication, transparency and employee trust of supervisors and leaders," he said.

A pay-for-performance system needs to evolve, he said. "Trying to do something too quickly, too ambitiously, may not produce the desired result," he said.

The overall conclusions are that the pay-pool process is overly complex and lacks transparency. Also, payout formulas are confusing. The task group heard repeatedly that pay band 2 is too broad, and reassignments within the pay bands fluctuate from organization to organization.

The group also believes that NSPS has lessened the bonds of trust between first-level supervisors and employees.

"Re-establishing the [Defense Department] commitment to collaborating with employees and

manager associations is essential," DeLeon said.

The task group also made recommendations for the general schedule system.

"Overall, the department needs to design a collaborative process for [Defense Department] managers and employees to design and implement a pay-for-performance system," he said. "Bargaining unit employees and the employees need to start from scratch in terms of any alternatives for the GS system."

The group recommended replacing the current general schedule classification system. DeLeon said the personnel system has to be changed.

"Never has the federal workforce, particularly in [the Defense Department], been as important as it is right now," he said. "After a period of using contracting out, we've come back to an understanding of how critical the federal workforce is in terms of the national security mission of the United States."

Applicants must have 2, less than 6, years of service

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This program is open to commissioned officers in the rank of second lieutenant through captain.

Applicants must have at least two, but not more than six, years of total active federal service at the time training begins.

Eligibility is governed by statute (10 U.S.C. 2004) and cannot be waived.

Eligible officers interested in applying should immediately register for the earliest offering of the law school admission test.

Applicants must send their request through command channels, to include the officer's branch manager at AHRC, with a copy furnished to the Office of The Judge Advocate General, ATTN: DAJA-PT (Ms. Yvonne Caron-10th Floor), 1777 North Kent Street, Rosslyn, VA 22209-2194, to be received before Nov. 1.

Submission of the application well in advance of the deadline is advised.

Call Capt. Rebecca Wahl-Ronzan (634-8748 / 7743) or your local staff judge advocate for more information.

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At your service ACS Support



Sarah Polanco is an Army Community Service program support technician.

"I provide program, administrative and technical support to the USAG Vicenza ACS," said Polanco. "The support is for all administrative and management functions including planning, programming, assessments, inspections, budgeting and training. I enjoy what I do because it helps our ACS managers effectively serve the whole community--Soldiers, families and civilian personnel," she said.

Polanco is located at ACS's Davis Hall, Room 24. She is available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and can be reached at 634-6015.

Community Camera

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



WELCOME TO VICENZA

Army Nurse Col. Kimberly K. Armstrong addresses the audience after assuming command of the Vicenza Health Center during a July 16 ceremony at Caserma Ederle's Hoekstra Field.

Armstrong comes to Vicenza from DeWitt Health Care Center, Fort Belvoir, Va., where she served as deputy commander for nursing.

She assumed command from Col. Lorraine Breen who headed Vicenza's health center for the past two years and will now attend the Senior Services College in Washington, D.C.

Photo by Paolo Bovo, 7A JMTC



Photo by Laura Kreider

OH SO CAREFULLY: Ralph Nesbitt, recreation assistant, gives Gary Donald (left) and Alex Stevenson, summer hire students at the arts and craft center, an equipment demonstration. The center offers wood safety certification Aug. 1 and 16 from 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. and Wood Shop 101 July 26 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The center will hold an afternoon exhibit of local artists, free refreshments and music Aug. 8 from 3-7 p.m. There will be an open mike for musicians and poets. Artwork and crafts will be available for purchase in dollar or euro during the center's Afternoon with Art & Culture.



Photo by Laura Kreider

TAKING A TURN: Amanda Vander Meer, arts and crafts center instructor (center), assists Sgt. Daniel Crisafulli (foreground) and Sgt. Matt Brown (rear) during one of the basic wheel throwing classes at the center July 22. Crisafulli and Brown are Company B, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment (Abn). The next Intro to Wheel Throwing is Aug. 13 from 2-4 p.m. The sign-up deadline is two days prior to the start of all classes. For information on this and other classes offered at the arts and crafts center, call 634-7074.



Photos by Kelli Covlin

IT'S A JUNGLE OUT THERE: (Above) CYSS SKIESUnlimited art instructor Amanda VanderMeer assists 5-year-old Oscar De Luna and 4-year-old Kahlil Donald with their animal print collage during the Child, Youth & Schools Services Little Picasso's art class July 22. The Little Picasso's classes are offered for youth ages 18 months to 3 years (parent and child class); 3-5; 6-8 and 9-11. Three more summer sessions will be offered. Cost is \$40 per session. For more information, call CYSS Central Registration at 634-7219. (At right) Raine Parfitt, 5, works on an art project for the Little Picasso's class. This week's theme was Africa. Students created African masks, wrote their names in Egyptian hieroglyphics and created drums.



\$6,000 in UMUC grants available

MyCAA program helps eligible military spouses further education, career

UMUC press release

University of Maryland University College Europe is a full participant in the Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts program, administered by the U.S. Department of Defense.

All UMUC undergraduate and graduate degrees and certificates qualify for the program, which provides up to \$6,000 in grant money to eligible spouses of active-duty or activated National Guard or reserve servicemembers (officer or enlisted).

The program provides financial assistance to eligible spouses who are seeking licensing, credentials or education for future or continued employment in portable career

fields.

It will pay for expenses such as post-secondary education and training tuition, licensing, and credentialing fees.

"We are pleased and proud to offer UMUC's 130 undergraduate and graduate programs...to participants in the Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts," said John F. Jones, UMUC's vice president for Department of Defense Relations. "UMUC has a long history of providing education and support to military personnel and members of their families."

With more than 60 locations in Europe and the Middle East, UMUC Europe students may choose from hundreds of popular on-site and online courses offered directly at their duty station.

To register for classes or for more information on MYCAA, visit www.ed.umuc.edu/mycaa, call DSN 370-6762, CIV +49-(0)6221-3780, or e-mail mycaa@ed.umuc.edu.



File photo by Barbara Romano, 7A JMTC

UMUC Europe's Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts program will pay up to \$6,000 in grants for expenses such as post-secondary education and training tuition, licensing, and credentialing fees for eligible military spouses.

SRM funds pay for Darby fitness center addition



Photo by Chiara Mattiolo

Darby's fitness center is expanding its weight room. The addition is expected to be complete by the end of September. The construction project costs more than \$400,000 and is being covered by Sustainment, Restoration and Modernization funds set aside to improving Army garrisons throughout Europe.

by JOYCE COSTELLO
USAG Livorno Public Affairs

Beginning July 25, construction of a door between Camp Darby's fitness center free-weight room and the new addition will require that the weight room close for approximately 10 days.

All other areas in the fitness center will be open and accessible, according to Jimmy Roddy, center director.

The construction project is due in part to Sustainment, Restoration and Modernization funds that cover facilities maintenance and repair projects across Army Europe garrisons this year, according to an

IMCOM-E press release.

"FY08 and FY09 SRM funding has been significantly above historical norms," explained Al Rasper, chief of IMCOM-Europe Public Works Division. "Over the next year to year-and-a-half we will see a number of improvements at garrisons that will enhance the quality of life for our people, increase mission capability, deliver cost savings and provide energy improvements."

According to Harry Kronley, USAG Livorno Department of Public Works director, the gym is slated for completion in late September and will house strength and weight exercise equipment.

Elements of hit show C.S.I. Miami no mystery for Caserma Ederle youth

Story and photo by SASHA SIBILLA
Outlook contributor

Fingerprinting, searching for evidence, illegal drug search.

They sound like elements from a C.S.I. Miami episode, but it was actually the day's lesson for 33 children participating in Caserma Ederle's 2009 Summer Enrichment program.

"This summer the theme of our program is Mysteries, so we had investigator Christopher Olguin come and show how fingerprinting is done," said Ann Gasparini, a Summer Enrichment educator, along with Marcia Aevermann. "Sgt. Lawyer and Spc. Boyett demonstrated to the kids how military patrol dogs operate."

The program is for students from kindergarten through sixth grade and incorporates reading, writing and non-traditional, hands-on math.

Participants, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-noon explored the mysteries of the

earth such as fossils, volcanoes and cave functions but also were assisted by the counselor James Cook, who reminded them to respect each other, cooperate and helped them develop their social skills.

The four-week program ended July 17.



Military police investigator Christopher Olguin shows students how fingerprints are lifted during a Summer Enrichment session July 8. The kids also saw a canine demonstration.

Darby Dates

Upcoming ITR trips

■ **Acqua Village trip July 19:** The park features water slides, play rooms and more.

■ **Venice trip July 20:** Built on 117 small islands, it has more than 150 canals and more than 400 bridges.

■ **Cinque Terre trip July 21:** A remote piece of the Italian Riviera consisting of five villages connected by trails that hug the coastline.

■ **Volterra July 22:** The city is situated on a high plateau with views of the surrounding hills and famous for its craftsmen who have been carving elaborate statues from locally mined alabaster for 2,500 years.

■ **Rome trip July 23:** Visit the city's most famous sites.

■ **Elba trip July 24:** One of the three major islands off the coast, it is considered the most beautiful. Swim, scuba, snorkel, or rent a scooter.

■ **Apuane Alps:** Enjoy a day of challenging hiking up to an elevation of 4,900 feet in the Apuane Alps July 25 by calling ODR at 633-7775 to reserve a spot. Register by July 24 at noon.

■ **Florence trip July 25:** Spend the day at your leisure. Visit museums, Accademia Gallery, shop in the outdoor market or along the Ponte Vecchio or enjoy the scenery at an outdoor café.

Call ITR at 633-7589 for information or to reserve a spot for the trips.

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.

The chapel is collecting cardboard, robes, children's plastic swimming pools and cardboard rolls from paper towels and toilet paper.

Contact the Catholic education coordinator to find out when the next confirmation will take place or for more information.

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

The congregation needs a cantor. Talk to Chaplain Porter or Father Roberto to serve.

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"This isn't just about a stolen video game or a purse leaving the premises without someone paying," said the Vicenza PX manager, Kimberly Davenport. "AAFES' mission to generate earnings in support of MWR activities makes loss prevention a quality of life issue for the entire Vicenza community. People who steal from the exchange do more than harm themselves; they directly impact MWR's ability to complete its mission."

If shoplifting is suspected, PX loss prevention associates turn the issue over to local law enforcement. In addition to possible disciplinary action and/or criminal prosecution, the Federal Claims Collection Act allows AAFES to enact a flat, administrative cost (civil recovery) of \$200.

There may be other fees, in addition to the Civil Recovery Program, depending on the condition of the stolen merchandise.

Watermelon, threshing festivals set



Photo courtesy of Vicenza Tourist Office

La Rotonda

Villa Capra Valmarana, commonly called "La Rotonda," was designed by Andrea Palladio for Canon Paolo Almerico in 1566 and completed after Palladio's death by Vincenzo Scamozzi at the end of the XVI century. It is one of the most characteristic of the XVI century Italian villas and the greatest achievement of Palladian classicism. It is also the best preserved work in its original structure, mainly because it has belonged to only two families: the Capra for 300 years and now the Valmarana of Venice. It is open to the public on Wednesdays, 10 a.m. – noon and 3-6 p.m. Tickets cost 10 euro. The surrounding park is open Tuesday-Sunday, 10 a.m.-noon and 3-6 p.m. Tickets cost 5 euro.

Festivals & events

Watermelon Festival, July 26, 8:30 p.m., in Lonigo, Parco Ippodromo. Live music with the *Linda Biscaro Orchestra* and ballroom dancing.

Threshing Festival: July 26 in Selva di Trissino, *Colle Doro* Farm, about 13 miles west of Vicenza. Food booths featuring local agricultural products.

A Walk with Palladio: ongoing until Oct. 4. Discover Palladio's works downtown Vicenza and some of his most important villas in surrounding towns.

Saturday downtown tour on foot, 2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m., 11 euro. Sunday bus tour, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m., 15 euro. This tour also includes a visit to Bassano del Grappa, to the Alpini's Bridge and a free-choice Grappa tasting.

English tour guide provided. For information and bookings visit <http://www.palladio2008.info/html/home.php>.

Palladio Sound Touring: visit the main works of Andrea Palladio by renting an MP3: 3 euro/day - Tourist Information Office, Piazza Matteotti, 12, next to the Olympic Theater.

You'll have to leave an ID there and return the MP3 by 6 p.m. Two routes are available: Blue route to visit the historical center (Olympic Theater, Chiericati Palace, Casa Cogollo, Santa Corona Church, Garzadori

Altar, Leoni Montanari Palace, Thiene Palace, Piazza dei Signori, Corso Palladio) and a yellow route to visit the villas and Bassano del Grappa (Villa Caldogno, Villa Godi Malinverni, Marostica, Alpini Bridge in Bassano del Grappa, La Rotonda, Villa Cordellina Lombardi).

Esapolis –Museum of live insects, silkworms and bees: in Padova, Via dei Colli 28, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza. Tuesday-Saturday 9:30 a.m.-noon & 2:20-5:30 p.m. Sunday and holidays 9:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.

Admission fee: 7 euro. Reduced: 5.50 euro for children 4-12 and senior citizens over 65. Free for children under 4.

The sky, the moon and the stars shown with a Magic Lantern, ongoing until Dec. 31 in Padova, Precinema Museum, Prato della Valle, 1/a, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza.

Open Wednesday-Monday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Admission is 3 euro but entrance is free the third Sunday of the month.

Vintage pedal cars, toys and miniature trucks and trains will be on exhibit until Oct. 4 in Romano d'Ezzelino, Automobile Museum "Luigi Bonfanti," Via Torino, 2, about 26 miles north of Vicenza. Admission fee is 6 euro.

Butterfly Arc: in Montegrotto Terme, Via Degli Scavi, 21, about 34 miles southeast of Vicenza. Open daily 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Admission fee: 8 euro; reduced 6 euro for children 4-12 and senior

citizens over 65.

Ticket includes entry to the Fairy's Wood. The Butterfly Arc houses hundreds of specimens of arthropods, including scorpions, scarabs and dung beetles, chosen from among the largest specimens in the world. The Fairy's Wood is a 7,000-square-meter park.

Varone Waterfall Cave Park and Botanic Garden in Tenno, Via Cascata 12, about 90 miles northeast of Vicenza.

May–August, 9 a.m.–7 p.m. A natural gorge eroded over 20,000 years by Lake Tenno's waters, which rumble their way down from a height of almost 100 meters.

FREE concerts exhibits, classes

Piano Concert: July 24, 9 p.m., in Cesuna, Palladio Theater, about 37 miles north of Vicenza. Music by Mendelssohn, Chopin, and Debussy.

Antonio Vivaldi – The Four Seasons: July 24, 9:15 p.m., in Altavilla Vicentina, Park of Villa Valmarana Morosini, Via Marconi, about 6 miles southwest of Vicenza.

Antique markets

1st Saturday of the month – **Thiene**, about 18 miles north of Vicenza. Starts at 9 a.m.

1st Sunday of the month – **Marostica**, Piazza Castello, about 18 miles north of Vicenza, 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

1st Sunday of the month – **Noventa Vicentina**, 20 miles south of Vicenza, Piazza IV Novembre, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m.

2nd Sunday of the month – **Vicenza**, along Piazza dei Signori and other squares in downtown Vicenza.

2nd Sunday of the month – **Lonigo** (VI), Via Garibaldi, about 20 miles southwest of Vicenza.

2nd Sunday of the month – **Rosà**, 21 miles northeast of Vicenza, Piazza Duomo. 8 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.

3rd Sunday of the month – **Malo**, 11 miles north of Vicenza, Piazzale Zanini.

Last Sunday of the month, **Piazzola sul Brenta**, (PD), Villa Contarini, about 16 miles east of Vicenza.

Pay concerts & events

The night of rock legends: Jack Bruce-Robin Trower-Gary Husband, in Savona, July 23.

Simple Minds: in Venezia, Piazza San Marco, July 24.

James Morrison/Amy MacDonald, Lucca, July 24.

Lenny Kravitz, Brescia, July 25.

Jack Bruce and Robin Trower: in Piazzola sul Brenta, July 26. Brenta, July 26.

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John Fogerty: in Lucca, July 26; in Piazzola sul Brenta, July 28.

ColdPlay: in Udine, Friuli Stadium, August 31.

Notre Dame de Paris: in Verona, Arena, September 10.

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

Outdoor Recreation

Try kayak fishing

Enjoy kayak fishing **July 25**; \$65 includes equipment, tackle, and transportation. Call 634-7094.

Cruise Switzerland

Cruise the lakeside town of Lugano **July 25**. Call ODR today.

Portofino village

Discover the small fishing village of Portofino on the Italian Riviera **July 26**. Call 634-7094.

Learn scuba July 27

Learn to scuba dive in the open water basic scuba class. Fee is \$280 and includes equipment, transportation and certification. Call 634-7453 to register.

Experience Lake Garda

Enjoy a day on the beautiful Lake Garda **July 30**. Call 634-7453.

Hydrospeed Aug. 1

Enjoy hydrospeeding on the Brenta on a guided trip with ODR.

Jesolo beach

Head to Jesolo beach with ODR **Aug. 6** at 8:30 a.m. and enjoy the golden sands or head to the water park. Call 634-7453.

Sea kayaking

Join a group for Sea kayaking at Lake Garda **Aug. 8**, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. \$45 includes transportation equipment and a guide. Call 634-7453.

Mountain bike ride

Experienced riders, join the Local MTB ride **Aug. 8** from 8 a.m.-noon.

White water rafting

Experience the rush of white water rafting. ODR takes you on a guided rafting trip on the Brenta **Aug. 8** at 9 a.m. Call 634-7453.

Visit Genova Aug. 8

Visit Genova and the largest aquarium in Europe **Aug. 8** at 6 a.m. Register at ODR.

Now Showing



Ederle Theater

July 23	Angels & Demons (PG-13)	6 p.m.
July 24	X-Men Origins: Wolverine (PG-13)	6 p.m.
	Star Trek (PG-13)	9 p.m.
July 25	Harry Potter: Half Blood Prince (PG)	2 p.m.
	X-Men Origins: Wolverine (PG-13)	6 p.m.
July 26	Harry Potter: Half Blood Prince (PG)	2 p.m.
	Star Trek (PG-13)	6 p.m.
July 29	X-Men Origins: Wolverine (PG-13)	6 p.m.
July 30	Star Trek (PG-13)	6 p.m.

Camp Darby Theater

July 24	X-Men Origins: Wolverine (PG-13)	6 p.m.
July 25	Star Trek (PG-13)	6 p.m.
July 26	Ice Age: Dawn of Dinosaurs (PG)	1 p.m.
July 30	The Soloist (PG-13)	6 p.m.

Admission: Age 12 and over \$4, under age 12, \$2.

The Ederle Theatre 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.

Celebrate with ACS

ACS invites the community to its accreditation and birthday celebration July 28 at 4 p.m. at the Arena. Enjoy refreshments and find out about the many programs ACS offers Soldiers and families.

Country music night

Country music night is at the Arena every Thursday beginning at 8 p.m. in the upstairs Lion's Den.

Pool tourney Aug. 6

Test your skills at the pool tournament Aug. 6 at 7 p.m. at the Lion's Den in the Arena.

Education money: Find out what's available

A financial aid workshop and free luncheon is set July 28 from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the education center, Bldg. L-958. Many students—both active duty and civilian—are eligible for up to 100 percent financial aid. There are many new programs—MYCAA, 9/11 GI Bill and others—that offer better opportunities to get free money for education.

Join us to find out what options are available to help you pay for your education. Places are limited. Call 634-7055 or e-mail vice@ed.umuc.edu to reserve your seat.

Got talent? Show it off at Operation Rising Star

The Arena will host Operation Rising Star Sept. 18-19. Win the ultimate recording music experience.

Singers must be active duty, Reserve, National Guard or a military family member 18 years or older. Win local cash prizes for first through third place. Sign up before Aug. 14. Complete details on www.vicenzaMWR.com. Registration forms are available online, at the Arena or BOSS lounge.

Make your deployment dollars change your life

Build wealth but not debt with your deployment dollars. Find out how July 28 at 3 p.m.

Call 634-7500 to register.

EFMP roundtable

EFMP Roundtable meets July 28 at 11 a.m. at the Davis Soldier and Family Readiness Center. Anyone may attend.

Call 634-7912.

Eleanor Roosevelt topic of book club meeting

The next book club group will meet Aug. 6 at 7 p.m. to discuss

the autobiography of Eleanor Roosevelt.

The library has several copies available for check out at the circulation desk.

Central processing (Golden Lion) UPDATE

■ Beginning July 10, the Marco Polo shuttle bus will stop at the Olson Avenue bus stop at 7:15 a.m. Updated shuttle bus schedules are now available.

■ The ID card section is closed the last Friday of every month for inventory from 1-5 p.m.

■ Soggiorno office hours have changed due to personnel shortages: Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-noon and Friday from 1-4 p.m.

The schedule is subject to change depending on Questura di Vicenza, Verona and Padova appointment availabilities. We apologize for the inconvenience.

■ Ration cards will only be issued to contractors, DoDEA personnel, government employees and NATO members.

Requestor must provide a ration card memo. These can be e-mailed to individuals. They are also available at the CPAC/NAF and CPF office.

Previously issued ration cards must be turned in before a new card can be issued. Lost or washed cards must be reported to the MP station and a lost ration card form must also be submitted to our office.

All active duty Soldiers and their dependants will be issued a ration card through the sponsor's unit S1.

FMWR job opportunities

DFMWR has positions available:

■ S & K Sales is looking for a **merchandise**. Part-time, approximately 12 hours a week. Seeking good verbal skills, someone who likes to make displays, is good with details, reliable and able to build relationships with key customers. Pay based on previous experience.

■ financial assistant - NF-0503-02, One (1) regular part-time and one (1) flexible, temporary not to exceed Sept. 30. Hourly wage range is \$8.62 - \$10.18 per hour.

For more information, call the Vicenza HRO, NAF Office.

Also, USAG Vicenza, DFMWR has an exemption to the Dual Compensation Act for the following positions:

■ custodial worker, NA-3566-01/02

■ waiter/waitress, NA 7420-01/02

■ food service worker, NA-7408-01/02

■ bartender, NA-7405-03

■ cook, NA-7404-04/06

■ operations assistant, NF-1101-02

■ recreation aide, NF-0189-01

Call the Vicenza HRO, NAF Branch, at 634-7349 or 7290 for information.

Lifeguard competition

Lifeguard competition on July 28 at 1-2:30 p.m. at the Villaggio pool.

The community is invited to cheer on its favorite guards in these competitive events: water entry, approach relay, active drowning victim, brick race, passive drowning victim, and back boarding. There will be no open swimming during these events.

Self-nominate for deployment award

The Deployment Excellence Award (DEA) program was established in 2000 to recognize Army units for outstanding accomplishments that meet or exceed Army deployment standards.

Deploying, redeploying and deploying supporting units or agencies are fully qualified to self-nominate for the award based on their deployment, redeployment or deployment support process.

Nomination packets are due to U.S. Army Europe by Jan. 8. Units interested in applying for the 2010 award are encouraged to contact Aaron Burr by e-mail at aaron.burr@eur.army.mil or by calling DSN 370-5407.

July MOMS club

■ **July 24** MOMS Night Out at 7 p.m.

■ **July 27** MOMS Club Monthly Meeting at 10:30 a.m.

■ **July 29** Pool Playdate at 11 a.m.

Family classes

ACS offers the following classes to assist families:

■ **Stress Management**—July 27 at 11:30 a.m. and Aug. 3 at noon.; **Money Management** for a Successful PCS Move—Aug. 4 at 9 a.m.; using the Army's centralized **Resumix system**—Aug. 5 at 10 a.m.; and **Building**

■ **Better Relationships**—Aug. 7 at 2 p.m. All classes require registration. Call 634-7500.

Autism/ADHD support group meeting

The EFMP Autism/ADHD support group meets Aug. 6 at

11 a.m. at the Davis Soldier and Family Readiness Center.

Join others to discuss the challenges and solutions of living with autism and ADHD. Call 634-7912.

Anger management

Learn and practice the basics of anger management during an ACS class Aug. 8 at 11:30 a.m. This is part of an ongoing series. Call 634-7500.

Playgroup meets Aug. 5

The Romp-N-Stomp playgroup meets Aug. 5 at 10 a.m. at the Villaggio YS building. Call 634-7567 for more information.

Build it yourself

The art center's woodshop certification classes are set Aug. 1 and 16, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Learn more in the Woodshop 101 basics course Aug. 22.

Call 634-7074 to register.

Hand building class

Parents and children will enjoy the hand-building class Aug. 2 at 1 p.m. A second class for glazing your creations will be held Aug. 9.

Supplies are included. Register at the art center.

Basic sewing

Basic sewing class begins Aug. 4. Learn the basics in eight sessions from 5-6 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Call 634-7074.

USO announcements

Mark your calendars for our Back to School Bash Aug. 15. We'll have live music, crafts, food and a face painter.

The USO is seeking a fulltime Vicenza Center operations manager. Visit www.uso.org, click on Careers, Career Opportunities, for the job description and how to apply.

Call 634-7156 for information.

USARAF promotion announcement

The promotion selection list to lieutenant colonel (MFE, OS, FS) was released July 14. The following U.S. Army Africa majors who were selected for promotion to lieutenant colonel are:

McKinley, Keith A. (Inbound G3); Miller, Ronald J. (CIMA); Schilling, David G. (G6); and Weycker, William J. (G3).

NASCAR at Arena

Watch your favorite driver on the big screen at the Arena.

NASCAR food and drink specials between 6-9 p.m. on race days.

Where's the beach?

Visit www.vicenzamwr.com for directions to area beaches.

Religious activities

Chaplain Crisis Line

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

Sunday services

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

9 a.m.: Roman Catholic Mass.

(Daily Mass is held weekdays at noon)

9 a.m.: Protestant Sunday school and AWANAs (September through May in

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

11 a.m.: Protestant worship

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

4 p.m.: Lutheran worship

6 p.m.: Contemporary Christian service

Mondays

Noon: LDS Scripture Study

5:30 p.m.: High School Club in the Teen Center

Contact Cadena Trusty at 320-808-6148 or vicecb@yahoo.com.

Tuesdays

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

Wednesdays

3 p.m.: Praise Dance practice

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

5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice

5:30 p.m.: PWOC evening Bible study

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 335-8219492.

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

Community Calendar Highlights

Aug. 8 - DFMWR-1-503rd Health Run

Aug. 10 - Veterans Affairs Individual Counseling

Aug. 14 - Veterans Affairs Benefits Briefing

Aug. 15 - Italian Holiday

Aug. 24-25 - Training Holiday

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.



Photo by Laura Kreider

PUMP IT UP: Community member Angela Kilgore trains up at the post fitness center July 22 for the installation's Mr. & Mrs. Bodybuilding Competition in September. Kilgore started bodybuilding a year and a half ago and hopes to complete her ISSA personal training certification this fall. She says she enjoys the health aspect of bodybuilding and is looking forward to participating in her first competition. "A doctor recommended going to the gym, and while at the gym, I started seeing people training and they looked very healthy," she said. Kilgore said bodybuilding is a great way to focus on an all-around healthy lifestyle, "and it helps you develop better eating habits." For the competition, she plans to compete in the physique category. "I think it will be a lot of fun," she said. "It will certainly be a challenge, but I hope I will do well." To find out how you can enter the competition, call 634-6716 or visit www.vicenzaMWR.com.



An HHC player connects with the ball during a July 20 softball game on post.



173rd HHC's Gibson leaps to first base.

Delta dumps Ghedi in final

Photos by Teri Carlson

D Company 1/503rd is the big winner from the softball games played on Camp Ederle's softball field July 20. SETAF defeated 173rd HHC with a score of 8-6. SETAF then took on D Co. 1/503rd. A close game, D Co. took the game in the final inning by scoring 7 runs. The third and final game—Ghedi vs. D Co 1/503rd—was tied 6-6 at the top of the final inning. D Co then beat Ghedi with a score of 14-6.



McCullom catches the ball at second base. (At press time, first names for the players were not available.)

SOFTBALL Soldier League Standings

Team	Win	Loss	Game Scores
SETAF	7	3	July 13
HHD 509	8	4	AFN South: 5 vs. 509 Sigal: 12
D Co. 1/503	5	3	USAHC: 5 vs. Ghedi: 14
14th Trans.	5	5	SETAF: 5 vs. Ghedi: 13
AFN South	5	6	
Female & Male	4	3	July 15
HHC 1/73	2	0	SETAF: 7 vs. 509 Signal: 21
HHC 1/503	1	2	F&M: 19 vs. Ghedi: 18
Ghedi	3	4	AFN South: 14 vs. Ghedi: 13
USAHC	1	10	

JULY FOURTH Sports Events

Bocce Tournament

Female Singles
3rd Place- Teri Finney
2nd Place-Jessica Clark
Champion-Rachel Clark

Males Singles
3rd Place-Andrian Cleveland
2nd Place-Thomas Clark
Champion-Lee Clark

Mix Doubles
3rd Place-James Hughes
Jared Hughes
2nd Place-Adrian Cleveland
Thomas Clark
**Champions-John Casey
Jamie Casey**

Horse Shoe Tournament

Female Singles
2nd Place-Adriana Cleveland
Champion-Tiffany Cleveland

Male Singles
3rd Place-James Hughes
2nd Place-Mike Leahy
Champion-Justin Vincent

Basketball Challenge
Certified 45 vs. 123 Team 34
Certified 52 vs. 123 Team 22
Certified 45 vs. 123 Team 27

Register now for Aug. 29 family tennis clinic

CYS Sports will offer a free Tennis for Families clinic Aug. 29 at 10 a.m. at the Villaggio tennis courts.

The clinic will introduce participants to the sport and they will learn and practice the basics.

Registration is required before July 29. Call 634-7502.

Enrollment beginning for Aug. 22 CYS triathlon

Enrollment begins Aug. 3 for the Aug. 22 CYS Services triathlon.

The event will kick off at 8 a.m. Call 634-6151 for details.

Flag football referees needed, clinic set July 27

Referees are need for flag football. An official's clinic will be held July 27 6 p.m. at the firing range classroom.

For information on how you can get certified and earn extra money, call 634-7009.

Mr & Mrs. Vicenza Bodybuilding Competition

Start training now for the bodybuilding competition in September. Open to all U.S. ID cardholders 18 years and older and out of high school in the U.S. military communities in Vicenza, Livorno and Ghedi.

Need a personal trainer? Want help with training plans and nutrition?

Call the Fitness Center at 634-6716.

Registration information to be released online at www.vicenzaMWR.com.

Would you like to coach? CYS needs YOU

CYS Sports is always trying to come up with other sports to offer.

If you have an idea and are willing to coach this sport, call 634-6151 or 0444-71-6151.

CYS Sports is also looking for tennis, basketball, swim team and bowling coaches for next fall.

Perks for becoming a coach include discounts, photos, certification class, T-shirt and supplies.

Members, coaches needed for post softball team

Sports, Fitness & Aquatics is looking for players and coaches to help build a male and female post softball team.

Teams will practice Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7 p.m. at the softball field.

Participants must be at least 18 and out of high school.