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Soldiers vie for top spot as Soldier, NCO of Year

Staff report

Six warriors representing USAG Vicenza, the U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza and the Public Health Command District Mediterranean competed March 7-10 for the honor of being named Vicenza's NCO or Soldier of the Year.

Each warrior was tested in physical fitness, basic marksmanship, stress shooting, warrior tasks and drills, land navigation, a written exam, combatives and an oral board. The USAG Vicenza winners will face off with USAG Livorno to see who will represent Italy in the Installation Management Command Europe Region in May.

Garrison Command Sgt. Maj. Jeffrey Hartless oversaw the competition. This is the second year a combined competition was held. Hartless said it is difficult for smaller units to run their own events and pooling resources allows for a better quality event.

"The competition was fierce among the competitors and close throughout," Hartless said. "Each warrior should be proud of what



Photo by Master Sgt. Brian Mattingly

Soldiers participate in the land navigation portion of the Soldier and NCO of the Year competitions for USAG Vicenza and the Vicenza medical community March 8 at an Aviano training area. The winners will compete against the Livorno winners to see who will represent Italy at the IMCOM-Europe competition.

they accomplished."

This year's winner for Vicenza's medical community is Sgt. Bradley Clark, USAHC-Vicenza. There were no competitors for the Soldier of the Year, medical category.

The USAG Vicenza winners are: Staff Sgt. William Spears, NCO of the Year, and Spc. Martha Colbert-James, Soldier of the Year.

Vicenza farewells Sky Soldier killed in vehicle accident

By Staff Sgt. Bruce Cobbeldick
173rd ABCT Public Affairs

Soldiers and civilians attended a memorial service Tuesday at Caserma Ederle to pay their respects to Sgt. Jacob Hahn of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, and his family.

Hahn died March 5 in Fayetteville, N.C., as a result of injuries sustained in a vehicle accident while on leave.

"Serving with Sgt. Jake

Hahn made service in a very demanding and busy Army enjoyable," said Lt. Col. Matt McFarlane, commander of the 1st Bn., 503rd Inf. Regt. "Quiet, intelligent and selfless, he made his unit and those around him better every day. While he will be missed, his service and legacy of duty will never be forgotten."

Hahn was born in Newfane, N.Y., April 25, 1985. As a child he played recreational baseball and soccer, before playing football for two years in high school.

In high school, he

completed four years of Spanish, graduating in 2003 with honors. He attended college at Kettering University in Michigan on a scholarship, majoring in Mechanical Engineering.

In March of 2006, he enlisted in the Army and attended Infantry basic and advanced individual training at Fort Benning, Ga., followed by Airborne School, which he completed in August of 2006.

He was then assigned to the 2nd Bn., 504th Parachute Inf. Regt. of the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C.

In June 2007, he deployed to Anbar Province in Iraq for 15-month tour.

He was assigned to Vicenza in January 2009, where he worked as the battalion commander's driver and as a team leader.

Hahn is survived by his parents, Thomas and Debra Hahn, and two sisters, Amber and Elissa, all from Lockport, N.Y.



Livorno-based unit supports relief efforts for Libyan refugees

405th Field Support Brigade Public Affairs

The 3rd Battalion, 405th Army Field Support Brigade, prepared a shipment of humanitarian aid supplies in support of a U.S. Agency for International Development Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance mission to Tunisia March 4.

Due to the increasing need for humanitarian support resulting from refugees fleeing Libya, OFDA contacted the 3rd Bn., 405th AFSB, and requested delivery of humanitarian aid supplies. The battalion is responsible for the storage and maintenance of USAID emergency humanitarian assistance commodities under an interagency agreement between the Army and the U.S. State Department and is experienced in the shipment of humanitarian aid supplies at a moment's notice.

"OFDA keeps our warehouses stocked for

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Courtesy photo

Massimo Pedrazzi, locomotive engineer leader with the 3rd Battalion, 405th Field Support Brigade, checks the loading of aid supplies to be shipped from Leghorn Army Depot at Livorno March 4. The supplies are going to North Africa to help support refugees fleeing Libya.

Opinion & Editorial



Comprehensive Soldier Fitness: Physical fitness helps all aspects

By **Lacy Wolff**

U.S. Army Wellness Center Vicenza

Most of us see physical fitness as the premier indicator of good health. Is your body free from disease? Is your weight within the appropriate range? Can you run two miles and complete 42 pushups and 54 sit-ups?



Physical fitness is not simply rankings and scales. It is how you feel. When you feel fit, you can tackle life's challenges with strength and endurance - whole body, comprehensive fitness.

According to the American College of Sports Medicine, physical activity can decrease symptoms of depression, which can have a direct impact on social, family, emotional, and spiritual fitness.

In the Vicenza military community, we have numerous resources available to help reach physical fitness goals and be physically active. The Comprehensive Soldier and Community Fitness website links community resources and shows you where to start or how to enhance your current physical fitness. Through the Fitness Center, the Health Clinic, the Army Wellness Center, Outdoor Recreation and other resources available on post, there is something for everyone. Don't wait to find your passion! Visit www.csf.vicenza.army.mil.

D6 Sends: SOS supports survivors, honors Soldiers

I commanded the 3rd Infantry Division out of Fort Stewart, Ga., as part of the surge in Iraq in 2007-2008.

During that time, 153 Soldiers died in combat, in a place on the battlefield where I put them. I pray for those Soldiers and their families every day. Their loss is something I have to live with. For any leader, the loss of a Soldier hits hard. But the loss that survivors experience is magnitudes deeper and wider, because they have lost not just a Soldier, but a friend, a son or daughter, a husband or wife, a father or mother.



When I visit installations, I meet with those who have lost loved ones on active duty. I make sure to talk with Survivors for two reasons. One reason is that now, as the commander of Installation Management Command, I need to know how we are doing with one of our newest programs, Survivor Outreach Services. The other reason is that Survivors need to know that the Army recognizes and honors their Soldier's service and sacrifice.

The best, most meaningful thing we can do to honor our Fallen Soldiers is to support and care for those they left behind. Survivor Outreach Services was established in April 2008 to do just that, in a more comprehensive manner than ever before.

The Army is fortunate to have a leader like Chief of Staff Gen. George W. Casey Jr., who had the vision and compassion to propel the effort to support Survivors beyond casualty assistance alone. Casualty assistance officers work with Families during a very difficult time, a heart-rending time, when families are notified of their Soldier's death and have to make funeral arrangements and decisions about entitlements and benefits.

But grief is very personal - it cannot be standardized or resolved in a set time period. With the help of a panel

of Survivors selected by Gen. Casey, SOS was developed to provide longer-term, expanded support and care, taking up where casualty assistance ends.

SOS offers support through benefits coordinators, who help Survivors understand and apply for local, state and federal benefits; financial counselors, who assist through investment and estate planning education; and support coordinators, who facilitate support groups, provide life skills education and connect Survivors with counseling resources.

More than 200 SOS personnel are now working on installations throughout the United States and overseas, to include National Guard and Reserve locations. The three components work and train together very closely on this One Army program, to provide SOS services closest to where Survivors live.

It does not matter how a Soldier died; there is no time limit on SOS services. SOS coordinators extend a hand as Survivors are working with casualty assistance officers in the first few months after a Soldier's death, but Survivors do not have to accept assistance right then or ever. They can decide to return months or years later. The important thing is for Survivors to know that the support is there. They are not alone — they are part of the Army family for as long as they want to be.

There are also no exclusions in the definition of a Survivor. For the SOS program, a Survivor is anyone - immediate Family, extended Family, a friend, a fellow Warrior - who feels the loss of a Soldier. Every Survivor is not entitled to the same benefits under law or regulations, but SOS coordinators will work with any Survivor to access counseling and other resources. Our partnerships with local and national support organizations make this more expanded, inclusive approach possible.

SOS staff have made tremendous progress in a short time, receiving more than 24,000 cases from Casualty and Mortuary Affairs and continually reaching out to Survivors, both those who have suffered a loss recently and those whose loss pre-dates the program.

As the program becomes established, they continue to refine and enhance services as more Survivors provide feedback on their challenges and needs. For example, this past year, when it became clear that Survivors who do not have ID cards were having difficulty getting onto post to use services, SOS developed a Survivor vehicle decal program to ease access and provide special recognition. The decals are currently being distributed through SOS offices.

More information on SOS services and Survivor resources is available on Army OneSource at www.myarmyonesource.com/FamilyProgramsandServices/SurvivingFamilies/SurvivorOutreachServices.aspx, the SOS Facebook page and garrison SOS webpages. There are also links to partner organizations whose support is so critical to connecting with and providing for Survivors.

The loss of a Soldier is not a topic people want to talk about, but it is a reality of military life. We do what we can to prevent losses. We train for and plan our combat operations. We stress safety in garrison. We have enhanced programs to prevent risky behaviors and suicide. In the end, though, despite our best efforts, we cannot prevent every loss.

That is why Survivor Outreach Services is so crucial. To honor the Fallen Soldier's service and sacrifice for our nation, we can do one last thing -- offer support for the loved ones the Soldier left behind.

- Lt. Gen. Rick Lynch
Commanding General,
Army Installation Management Command

Use sense on St. Patrick's Day

By **Cheryl Davis**

Army Substance Abuse Program

On St. Patrick's Day, the green beer and Guinness will flow. Revelers will pound as many pints as possible in a ritual that has turned March 17 into one of the most alcohol-fueled days of the year.



Before you get bleary-eyed, it's important to know how binge drinking may affect you. Drunken bouts can harm the liver and the brain, and lead to alcohol poisoning - even death. They also make you more susceptible to motor vehicle crashes, episodes of violence or sexual assault, and sexually transmitted diseases. If you're planning to drink on St. Patrick's, take things slowly and use common sense to stay safe.

Speak Out

If you could ask a question to an important person, historical or current, what would it be?



Harrison Tarr
VHS

"To Socrates, 'Why didn't you escape to go on to teach more?'"

By Laura Kreider



John Rubin
Postal Service Center

"I would really like to meet Tiger Woods and ask him about several golfing situations and what his career holds for the future."



Paola Liberatore
DFMWR

"To Dante Alighieri, 'Which present-day figures would you place in the 'Divina Commedia?'"



Johanna Groves
Arts and Crafts Center

"I would ask the artist Salvador Dali who or what was his greatest inspiration."



Dr. Julio Gonzales
DoDEA

"To Martin Luther King Jr., 'If you were here with us, how would you continue to address inequalities in our global environment?'"

509th teaches VHS students social media safety, online security

By Janet Geisler
509th Signal Battalion

Army Europe–Information Technology Training Program, in coordination with the 509th Signal Battalion, sponsored the AE-ITT Social Networking System/Sites Awareness Training for students at Vicenza High School Feb. 23.

The training provided guidance on safely using and interacting on social networking websites. Millions of people use sites such as Facebook, My Space, Twitter and Linked In, where they share information, photos and more.

The awareness training was designed to teach teens internet behaviors to lower their risks, manage personnel information and use technology properly when accessing social media sites. The training was also held for community

members.

There are several things users can do to protect their critical information when using social networking sites.

Social Networking Tips

- ◆ Verify the identity of those who attempt to “friend” you. A name and a photo do not constitute verification.
- ◆ Manage your privacy settings and ensure your information is only shared with those you know.
- ◆ Do not allow your full birthday and contact information to be displayed in online profiles due to the threat of identity theft.



Graphic by Julie Lucas

- ◆ Disable applications that reveal your location. Be aware that posting photos taken with phones and other gadgets can reveal the exact location where the photo was taken using global positioning technology.

- ◆ Be suspicious. Do a web search on yourself, your unit and family members to see what information is posted to the internet. You might be surprised to see what is online that you may not want public.

- ◆ Always keep personal security and operational security in mind. Review information and photos before posting

and be aware of the implications of your activities. Make sure you’re not revealing information that puts yourself, your identity, your unit or the community at risk. Data aggregation from different sources could reveal sensitive or even classified information.

- ◆ Educate your fellow unit members, family members and friends on the risks of social networking. Remember, once something is posted online, it’s very difficult to ever truly remove it.

- ◆ Allowing application on sites such as Facebook allow the application’s creators to access your information and information of your “friends”. If you do not use applications, go to account settings and delete or disable the app.

- ◆ For more information, contact Janet Geisler, 509th Signal Bn. training coordinator, at 634-5033 or e-mail janet.geisler@eur.army.mil.

More than 80 explore Italian culture at annual CIAO Conference

Story and photos by Laura Kreider
Outlook Staff

The Combined Italian American Organization held their annual conference for women from the Vicenza military community to spend a special day enjoying a variety of classes and cultural opportunities.

The event, sponsored by the Vicenza Community Club, was held March 4 at Dai Gelosi, a local restaurant in Valproto. More than 80 participants took part in the conference, which included 11 classes, lunch and a raffle.

Classes included Wine Tasting, presented by a member of the “Tommasi Vineyards”, Cheese & Mostarda with Eric and Rosanna from Two Chefs, Olive Oil Tasting with Sabrina Bonamini from “Bonamini Olive Oil”, Belly Dancing with Cinzia Larini and Beauty Secrets from Shanda Holley. Other presentations focused on art history, day tripping in the Veneto and women’s health.

“The CIAO Conference originally started in 1998,” said Kym Price, event organizer. “This is my second year of organizing the conference and working with the staff members (...) was wonderful. We have had wonderful feedback from the participants this year.”

Event coordinators also included Jill Vogel, Karen Hartless, Soraya Franklin, Samantha Price and Monica Cobblestick.



Above, conference attendees sample food items during a class March 4 during the annual CIAO Conference for women in the Vicenza military community. Below, attendees chat during lunch at Dai Gelosi restaurant in Valproto.



New USARAF deputy commander named

U.S. Army Africa Public Affairs

Brig. Gen. James D. Owens Jr. has been selected and assigned to U.S. Army Africa as a deputy commanding general.

With this assignment, approved by Army Chief of Staff Gen. George Casey in February, Owens replaces Maj. Gen. David S. Elmo, who has been re-assigned to U.S. Army Europe.



Owens joins Brig. Gen. Isaac Osborne, who has been a member of the U.S. Army Africa leadership team since January 2010, as one of two USARAF deputy commanders. Both Owens and Osborne serve as deputies to Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg, commander, U.S. Army Africa.

“The potential for progress across the African continent has never been greater, nor as challenging,” Hogg said. “With nearly 20 years experience as an engineer officer, Brig. Gen. Owens brings a powerful perspective as we collaborate with our African partners and their infrastructure needs,” he said.

Owens takes the reigns as USARAF Deputy Commander following a year as the Deputy Commander, Combined Joint Task Force – Horn of Africa.

A ceremony marking this occasion has not yet been announced.

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At your service



Thrift Shop

Sherry Hushen is the new manager at the Vicenza Community Club Thrift Shop.

“The Thrift Shop offers everything you need while living in Italy,” she said. “I encourage you to stop by and see the changes that have taken place in the store.”

The Thrift Shop is open Tuesday - Thursday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Donations can be dropped off at anytime in the wooden shed behind the store or certain items can be consigned. Look for store specials, including Saturday sales and extended hours. For more info, call the store at 634-7460 or 0444-71-7460 or visit them on Facebook at Vicenza Thrift Shop.

To suggest a new staff member or volunteer to be featured in “At Your Service”, e-mail their name, contact information and why we should feature him or her to The Outlook staff at editor@eur.army.mil.

Community Camera



Photo by Laura Kreider

14th Trans uncases colors: Lt. Col. James Rupkalvis, right, 14th Transportation Battalion commander, stands before a color guard after the uncasing of the unit's colors at a ceremony on Hoekstra Field Friday. Col. Keith Sledd, commander of the 16th Sustainment Brigade, gave remarks at the ceremony welcoming troops back from Iraq.



Courtesy photo

Great Date! 1st Lt. Brandon Harris, 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, and wife, Joy Harris, enjoy an evening in Sirmione on Lake Garda as part of the Chapel's Great Date Experiment. The Great Date Experiment includes eight dates for married or engaged couples in the course of eight weeks. The program runs through April 3, and couples can still get involved. For more info on the program, contact the Chapel at 634-7519.



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Champion speller: Anuk Dayaprema, center, a sixth grader from Vicenza Middle School, took the championship title in the 29th Annual European PTA Spelling Bee, sponsored by Stars and Stripes, at Ramstein Elementary School March 12. Dayaprema out-spelled 33 other DoDDS students to win after the 19th round. Kayla Lucas, a third grader from Naples Elementary School, was the runner-up. Dayaprema will travel to the Scripps Spelling Bee in Washington D.C. in June to represent DoDDS Europe. More photos from the Spelling Bee can be viewed at <http://spotted.stripes.com/galleries/index.php?id=346698>



Courtesy photo

1st Bn. 503rd Inf. Regt. pitches in: Several volunteers, mostly from 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, helped out on Ecological Day Sunday in Grisignano. They spent about four hours picking up garbage in and around the town, along with local Italian volunteers. After the event, volunteers attended a lunch hosted by the local chapter of the Alpini. Mayor Renzo Lotto of Grisignano thanked the volunteers and said the Americans' participation helped make the event successful, according to Shay Morris, Host Nation Community Relations Program manager. Community members who are planning or are involved in host nation community activities can contact Morris at 634-8879.



Photo by Laura Kreider

Survivor services: Cathy Daiga, left, wife of USAG Vicenza commander Erik Daiga, welcomes some participants of the first Survivor Outreach Services program's support group lunch Friday. The lunch was intended to help survivors connect with each other and learn about the program and services SOS offers. "The event was coordinated by Mrs. Cathy Daiga and myself, but originally was her great idea and finally we were able to put it into action," said Hal Batts, SOS coordinator. "I believe that it is important to have this kind of gathering with our survivors, bringing in our community resources such as (Military Family Life Consultants), chaplain services and Army Community Service." Batts hopes the SOS support group lunch becomes a quarterly event to support survivors and their families.

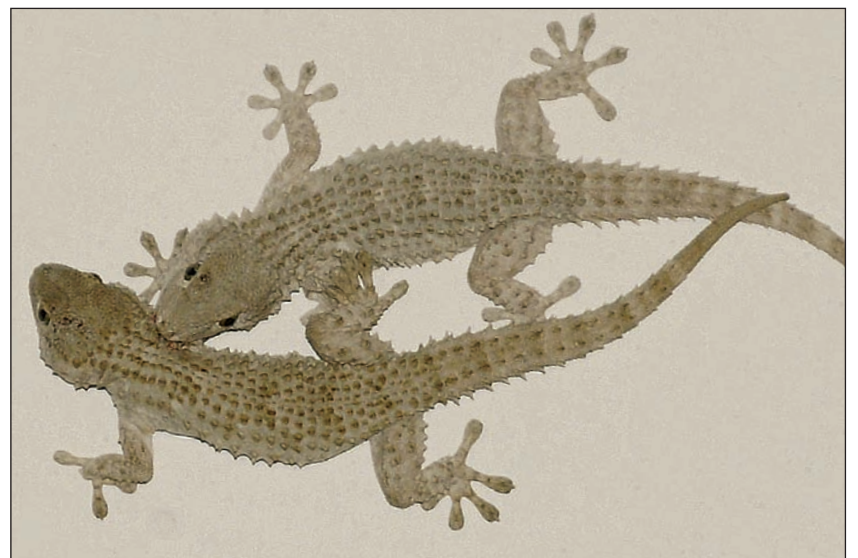


Photo by Staff Sgt. Robert Curtis

'Tough Love': Staff Sgt. Robert Curtis of Vicenza won third place in the 2010 Army Digital Photo Contest Division I Animals category for his photo "Tough Love", pictured above. There were 3,691 entries from around the world - 1,348 in Division I for active duty military personnel and 2,343 in Division II for other eligible Family and MWR patrons. After Army garrisons selected their best entries, 664 Division I and 1,031 Division II photographs were forwarded for Department of the Army judging.

Troops compete to be named NCO, Soldier of Year

Story and photo by Chiara Mattiolo
USAG Livorno Public Affairs

The USAG Livorno and the 598th Transportation Brigade conducted a combined Best Warrior Competition March 7-11 at Camp Darby to select the Noncommissioned Officer and Soldier of the Year and Best Warrior.

The competition consisted of an Army Physical Fitness test, appearing before a board, marksmanship, a ruck march, a written essay, day and night land navigation, plus warrior tasks and battle drills.

“Our goal was to make this competition very challenging in a realistic environment to test proficiencies from our NCOs and Soldiers,” said Sgt. Major Angelia Keltz, 839th Transportation Battalion. “I believe we executed our intent completely and with excellence.”

Some events were held at Camp Darby, but others required the participants to test their abilities on warrior tasks and battle drills in the Italian Folgore Brigade’s training area, Lustrissimi.

“The continuous support we received from the Italian Folgore Brigade was fundamental in the positive development of this training,” said Cpl. Giacinto Tuffilli, Italian Base Command, who acted as the liaison officer between the USAG Livorno and the Italian Army to coordinate this event. “The Folgore provided us with the security service at the beach range while our Soldiers were shooting, and also gave us a tactical



Staff Sgt. Elizabeth Wister, center, 839th Transportation Battalion, goes through the steps of administering first aid while an evaluator looks on during the Best Warrior Competition held March 7-11 at Camp Darby.

vehicle and allowed us the use of their Lustrissimi training area.”

The winner of the competition, Staff Sgt. Elizabeth Wister, was announced by Command Sgt. Major Felton Head, 598th Transportation Brigade, Rotterdam, Netherlands, in a ceremony held in the 839th Transportation Battalion conference room March 11.

“This was a very challenging and yet fun experience,” said Wister. “My strongest point was physical fitness and for sure the hardest part of the competition was the mental effort required to get ready for it.”

According to Keltz, all competitors displayed extraordinary warrior spirit. Competitor Staff Sgt. Acquannett Hair, 598th Transportation Brigade, agreed.

“This competition is at the same time challenging and intimidating” she said. “I had expectations to come here and give all I could give, but I had to give even more, this competition really exceeded my expectations.”

The winners of the NCO and Soldier of the year for USAG Livorno will be announced March 24 at the Community Awards ceremony at 2 p.m. at the Darby Community Club.

Tech sergeant named Biggest Saver for her sense with cents

By Spc. Tony Brazier
AFN Livorno

We are all familiar with the routine: head to the store, grab what you need and head for the checkout. Some of us use lists and some of us keep it in our head, but when it comes to money, we don’t all come out the same in the end.

“If you save \$5 off of something, that’s five more dollars in your pocket,” said Bethy Vallejo, Army Community Service financial readiness specialist. “I know folks, die hard folks that save \$20 every time they go to the commissary, so if you’ve never done it before, using coupons add(s) up; \$20 every time you go could be a \$100 a month.”

The saving advantages of coupons prompted ACS to sponsor the Biggest Saver contest, a two-week competition to see who could put the most money back in their wallets.

Customers brought their receipt showing much they saved to ACS, and at the end of two weeks, ACS tabulated who had saved the most, said Vallejo. The Camp Darby community saved \$342.28 in coupons during the two-week contest.

The winner was Air Force Tech. Sgt. Jan Lego, 731 Munitions Squadron, who saved \$77.

“My mom sends me coupons and when you have to feed a family of six, you always make sure to use coupons,” she said.



Sharon Carter of Global Credit Union, left, presents a \$100 savings bond to Tech. Sgt. Jan Lego, 731 Munitions Squadron, Bethy Vallejo Army Community Service Financial Readiness specialist, is pictured at right. Lego won ACS’ Biggest Saver contest.

Lego received a \$100 savings bond from Global Credit Union. Vallejo said coupons are available at ACS.

For more information on the financial readiness classes at ACS, check out the community calendar at www.usag.livorno.army.mil.

RELIEF: Livorno-based unit ships supplies, blankets to assist Tunisians

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emergencies such as this, and we’re well-equipped to get the supplies where OFDA needs them as quickly as possible,” said Lt. Col. Richard Pierce, commander of the 3rd Bn., 405th AFSB. “We are grateful for the opportunity to assist the people of north Africa and to help alleviate their suffering in our own small way.”

After receiving notification of needed

supplies from OFDA, the battalion prepared 4,000 blankets, 40 rolls of plastic sheeting and 9,600 10-liter water containers for shipment. The shipment will be delivered to Tunisia via military aircraft from the Pisa Military Airport. They will be distributed to USAID teams on the ground there.

“Our location in Italy gives us a unique logistics capability,” Pierce said. “Because we have access to both water

and air transport capabilities within 30 minutes of Leghorn Army Depot, we can execute loading and transportation missions quickly and efficiently, ensuring that the aid reaches the disaster area as quickly as possible.”

The battalion has a long working relationship with OFDA, previously having shipped supplies to Dubai, United Arab Emirates, the Philippines and Haiti, among others.

Darby Dates

Visit www.usag.livorno.army.mil for upcoming events and details

EEO training

Prevention of Sexual Harassment training is Tuesday at the Post Theater for supervisors at 9:30 a.m. and for all others at 1:30 p.m. No FEAR Act training is Wednesday.

Women’s History

Join Equal Opportunity on a trip to a vineyard run by women March 31. Call 633-7229.

Motorcycle Course

The Sport Bike Course is March 28 and the Experienced Riders Course is April 1. Call 633-7841.

Awards ceremony

The Quarterly Awards Ceremony is March 24 at 3 p.m. at the DCC.

Veterinarian visit

Schedule appointments for March 24. Call 635-4841.

Dentist visit

Schedule appointments for March 28-31. Call 633-7461.

Operation Warm Heart

All single servicemembers are invited to the ACS Yellow Ribbon Room for a free, home-cooked meal March 24 at 5:30 p.m.

Army Community Services

- ◆ Exceptional family member roundtable, Wednesday
- ◆ Insurance basics, March 24
- ◆ Emergency placement care program is looking for family-oriented people to become EPC providers. Call 633-7084 to learn about these programs.

Fitness Center

- ◆ Pilates classes, Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon
- ◆ NIA classes, Wednesdays at 11:45 a.m.
- ◆ April Fool’s Fun Run, April 2. Call 633-7440.

Youth Services

- ◆ Kick back night, March 26
- ◆ Parents’ Night Out, March 26 Call 633-7629.

Outdoor Recreation

Spend Memorial Day weekend in Interlaken, Switzerland, river rafting, canyoning and bungee jumping. Deposit is due March 30. Call 633-7775.

ITR trips

ITR is offering the following upcoming trips. Call 633-7589.

- ◆ Assisi, March 26
- ◆ Florence, April 2, 9, 16, 23

Religious Activities

9:40 a.m. Catholic reconciliation
10 a.m. Catholic Mass
11:15 a.m. Protestant worship
11:15 a.m. Catholic CCD
Call 633-7267 for info.

Local markets

Many cities hold local markets throughout the year. All markets are 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. unless otherwise stated. The distance from Vicenza is stated in parentheses.

Sunday:

- ♦ **Camisano**, Via Roma, Via XX Settembre (12 miles east)
- ♦ **Cartigliano**, Piazza Della Concordia, Viale Cappello (18 miles north)
- ♦ **Lusiana**, Via Roma (21 miles north)
- ♦ **Valli del Pasubio**, Via Roma, Piazzale Caduti, (22 miles northeast)

Monday:

- ♦ **Lonigo** Via Garibaldi, Via Roma, Via P. Rossi (18 miles southwest)
- ♦ **Montegald**, Piazza Marconi (12 miles southeast)
- ♦ **Sovizzo**, Via Cavaliere Vittorio Veneto (six miles west)
- ♦ **Tezze sul Brenta**, Piazza dei Dogi (16 miles northeast)
- ♦ **Thiene**, Piazza Ferrarin, Corso Garibaldi, Piazza Chilesotti (13 miles north)
- ♦ **Torrebelvecino**, Piazza Borsellino (17 miles northwest)

Tuesday:

- ♦ **Vicenza**, 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Piazza dei Signori, Contrà Garibaldi, Via Baracca; Piazzale de Gaspari (eight a.m.-1 p.m.)
- ♦ **Arzignano**, Piazza Libertà, Piazza Marconi (13 miles west)
- ♦ **Brogliano**, Piazza Roma (13 miles northwest)
- ♦ **Caltrano**, Piazza Dante (21 miles north)
- ♦ **Carrè**, Via Roma (22 miles north)
- ♦ **Cassola**, Via Leonardo da Vinci (21 miles northeast)
- ♦ **Costabissara**, 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Piazzetta Gioberti (five miles northwest)
- ♦ **Enego**, Piazza San Marco (48 miles north)
- ♦ **Malo**, Via Molinetto (11 miles northwest)
- ♦ **Marostica**, Piazza Castello, Viale Stazione (18 miles north)
- ♦ **Noventa Vicentina**, Corso Matteotti, Via Masotto, Piazza IV Novembre (20 miles south)
- ♦ **Valdagno**, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Piazza Roma, Piazza Dante (20 miles northwest)

Wednesday:

- ♦ **Vicenza**, 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Via Goldoni
- ♦ **Altavilla Vicentina**, Via Marconi (six miles southwest)
- ♦ **Barbarano Vicentino**, Piazza Roma (13 miles south)
- ♦ **Breganze**, Piazza Mazzini (12 miles north)
- ♦ **Castelgomberto**, Piazza Marconi (10 miles northwest)
- ♦ **Chiuppano**, Piazza dei Terzi (22 miles north)
- ♦ **Dueville**, Piazza Monza (eight miles north)
- ♦ **Grisignano**, Via Mazzini (12 miles southeast)
- ♦ **Montebello Vicentino**, Piazza Italia, Via. Gen. Vaccari, Via IV Novembre, Via XIV Maggio (11 miles southwest)
- ♦ **Schio**, Piazza dello Satuto, Via Btg. Val Leogra (16 miles northwest)

Thursday:

- ♦ **Vicenza**, 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Piazza dei Signori, Piazza Biade, Piazzetta Palladio, Piazza Duomo, Contrà Garibaldi, Viale Roma, Piazza Castello, Piazza del Mutilato, Viale della Serenissima.
- ♦ **Arzignano**, Piazza Campo Marzo (13 miles west)
- ♦ **Arsiero**, Piazza F. Rossi, Piazza Martiri della Libertà (28 miles north)
- ♦ **Bassano Del Grappa**, Via da Ponte, Via Barbieri (23 miles northeast)
- ♦ **Bolzano Vicentino**, Piazzale Oppi (eight miles northeast);
- ♦ **Cornedo Vicentino**, Piazza Aldo Moro (20 miles northwest)
- ♦ **Gallio**, Via Guido Negri, Piazzale Chiesa, Via Sesto Alpini (40 miles north)
- ♦ **Grumolo delle Abbadesse**, Piazza Giovanni XXIII (nine miles east)
- ♦ **Longare**, Via G. Marconi (seven miles southeast)
- ♦ **Lugo di Vicenza**, Piazza XXV Aprile – until June 2011 it will held in Via Divisione Giulia (16 miles north)
- ♦ **Orgiano**, Piazza dell'Alpino (21 miles south)
- ♦ **Recoaro Terme**, Piazzale A. Di Savoia e Piazza Dolomiti (26 miles northwest)
- ♦ **San Vito di Leguzzano**, Piazza del Borgo Vecchio (14 miles northwest)
- ♦ **Santorso**, Piazzale della Libertà (17 miles north)
- ♦ **Villaverla**, Piazza Maria Elisabetta De Toni (nine miles north)

Friday:

- ♦ **Vicenza**, 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m., San Pio X -Via Fabiani, Riviera Berica -Via Rosselli, Via dei Laghi.
- ♦ **Grancona**, Piazza Marconi (14 miles southwest)
- ♦ **Isola Vicentina**, Piazza Marconi (eight miles northwest)
- ♦ **Marano Vicentino**, Piazza Silva (14 miles north)
- ♦ **Montecchio Maggiore**, Piazza Marconi, Via Roma (eight miles west)
- ♦ **Nanto**, Piazza Mercato (11 miles south)
- ♦ **Piovene Rocchette**, Piazzale della Vittoria, Viale Matteotti, Piazza degli Alpini (23 miles north)
- ♦ **Pojana Maggiore**, Via Matteotti (22 miles south)
- ♦ **Roana**, Cesuna di Roana, Piazzale Vecchia Stazione (39 miles south)
- ♦ **Rosà**, Via Monsignor Filippi (21 miles northeast)
- ♦ **Sandriago**, Piazza Vittorio Emanuele, Via IV Novembre, Piazza Marconi (nine miles north)
- ♦ **Valdagno**, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Corso Roma, Piazza Dante, Piazza del Campanile (20 miles northwest)
- ♦ **Valstagna**, Via Garibaldi, Via Roma (34 miles north)
- ♦ **Villaverla**, Piazza Maria Elisabetta De Toni (nine miles north)
- ♦ **Zanè**, Piazzale Roma (14 miles north)

Saturday:

- ♦ **Vicenza**, 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Via Granatieri di Sardegna, Via del Mercato Nuovo, Via Ca' Balbi; Piazza Matteotti (8 a.m.-1p.m.)
- ♦ **Arcugnano**, Via Monte Lungo

(five miles south)

- ♦ **Asiago**, May-September in Via Dante and Via Colonnello Rodeghiero; October-April in Piazza Martiri della Libertà (21 miles north)
- ♦ **Barbarano Vicentino**, Ponte di Barbarano, Piazza Breganzate (13 miles south)
- ♦ **Bassano del Grappa**, Via Da Ponte, Via Barbieri, Via Museo (23 miles northeast)
- ♦ **Brendola**, Piazza del Mercato, (nine miles southwest)
 - ♦ **Caldogno**, Piazza Europa (six miles north)
- ♦ **Castegnero**, Via Ponte (10 miles south)
- ♦ **Chiampo**, Piazza Giacomo Zanella, Via Bruno Dal Maso (16 miles west)
- ♦ **Cogollo del Cengio**, Piazza Libertà (24 miles north)
- ♦ **Creazzo**, Piazza del Comune (four miles west)
- ♦ **Montecchio Precalcino**, Viale D. M. Chilese (10 miles north)
- ♦ **Monticello Conte Otto**, Cavazzale, Piazza Trieste, Via Fogazzaro (six miles northeast),
- ♦ **Nove**, Piazza De Fabris (18 miles north)
- ♦ **Quinto Vicentino**, Piazza IV Novembre (eight miles east)
- ♦ **Rossano Veneto**, Piazza Europa (20 miles northeast)
- ♦ **Schio**, Piazza dello Satuto, Via Btg. Val Leogra (16 miles northwest)
- ♦ **Sossano**, Via Roma, Piazza Maggiore (18 miles south)
- ♦ **Trissino**, Piazza Mazzini, Via Manzoni (12 miles west)
- ♦ **Zugliano**, Via Roma (15 miles north)

Local events

La Festa del Papà

Italians celebrate Father's Day Saturday as well as the father of Jesus, St. Joseph. Stores will offer special gifts for people to buy for their fathers. Typical sweets are the St. Joseph's Day Cream Puffs or *Zeppole di San Giuseppe*. They are more common in southern Italy but they can be found in some local pastry stores.

Spit-roasted quail fair:

The 106th Saint Joseph Spit-Roasted Quail Festival is Friday-Sunday in Villaganzerla, Via Chiesa, about nine miles south of Vicenza. Carnival rides, fair-trade market, craft show, exhibits, food stands and raffle. Friday: 9:30 p.m. dance contest; Saturday: 5:30 p.m. youth dance contest; Sunday: 9 p.m. ballroom dancing.

Olive oil expo:

An expo is in Trieste about 120 miles east of Vicenza Friday & Saturday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Sunday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and Monday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in Piazzale De Gasperi, 1. Register online for a reduced €3 ticket. Instructions are in Italian. For info in English, visit www.oliacapitale.it/eng/index.html.

Elettroexpo:

An electronics technology, and office ware Saturday-Sunday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. in Verona, Viale del Lavoro 8. Ticket: €12; reduced: €10 for children 13-16. Free for children younger than 13.

Scale model expo:

Saturday-Sunday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., in Verona, Viale del Lavoro 8. Miniature trains, planes, vehicles, historical models, kites, and shows, hands-on workshops. Ticket: €12; reduced: €10 for children 13-16. Free for children younger than 13.

Greenery fair:

Verde Casa is in Padova Friday, 3-7 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday, 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Admission: €6; reduced: €4 for people 12 and younger or 60 and older. Indoor and outdoor plants, bonsai, aquatic plants, artificial and dried flowers, products in wicker and bamboo, gardening accessories, flowerpots, outdoor furnishings

Spring show:

Sunday, 10:30 a.m.-6 p.m., in Vicenza, Corso Fogazzaro. Show includes local products, crafts and flower show and market. Food booths featuring a variety of red radicchio dishes. At 4 p.m., in Piazza Carmini, Wind Band Concert presented by Vicenza Conservatory students to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the unification of Italy.

VicenzAcustica

Caserma Ederle guitar teacher Roberto Dalla Vecchia and other musicians perform Saturday in Teatro Comunale in downtown Vicenza at 9 p.m. Tickets at the door are €18; €16 for people 25 and younger or 60 and older; €0.50 for children younger than 10. Tickets cost €20 online at www.tcvl.it. For information, call 0444-324-442.

Antiques fair:

The Antiquaria show is ongoing until Sunday in Padova, Via N. Tommaseo 59. Saturday, Sunday and holidays, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; weekdays, 3-8 p.m. Antiques and collectors' items for sale including furniture, lighting, glass & tableware, vintage jewelry and fashion accessories, prints, rare books, coins, medals, postcards and old advertisements. Admission: €5; reduced €2.50 (children 6-14). Free for children younger than 6.

Movie festival:

The Odeon Theater in Vicenza, Corso Palladio 176, features movies in English in the winter. Monday: "Hereafter" at 3:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Tickets: €6; reduced €4.50 for students.

FREE concerts, exhibits & events

Japanese art exhibit:

Ongoing to March 27, in Vicenza at Galleria d'Arte Contemporanea Liberismo, Palazzo Valmarana Braga, Corso Fogazzaro 16, and Vi.Art, Contrà del Monte 13. Tuesday-Sunday 10 a.m.-noon & 4-7:30 p.m. Monday 4-7:30 p.m.

Sunday: Kimono Ceremony, 10 a.m. Tea Ceremony, 4:30 p.m. at Chiostris di Santa Corona, Contrà, Santa Corona 4.

Sculpture exhibit:

Exhibit ongoing to May 28 in Vicenza, Vi.Art, Contrà del Monte 13. Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m.-noon & 3-7 p.m.; Wednesday & Friday 3-7 p.m.

Explore the sky:

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

Live Music:

Concert with the Conservatory students: Saturday, 5 p.m., in Vicenza, Conservatory, Contrà San Domenico 33.

Beatles tribute band: The Magical Mystery Band, Friday, 9:30 p.m. in Vicenza, Sabotage Bar, Via dell'Industria 12T.

ODR trips

ODR has limited skiing/snowboarding gear until March 31. **Mystery ski/snowboard trip** - bring your passport, March 26 **Visit Opatija, Croatia**, March 26 **Visit Portofino** on the Italian Riviera March 27 **Visit Paris** April 11-15; book by Monday. See the complete ODR schedule online at www.VicenzaMWR.com.

Now Showing



Ederle Theater

Friday	Yogi Bear (PG 13)	6 p.m.
	Season of the Witch (PG 13)	9 p.m.
Saturday	Mars Needs Mom (PG)	3 p.m.
	Yogi Bear (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Sunday	Mars Needs Mom (PG)	3 p.m.
	Season of the Witch (PG 13)	6 p.m.
March 25	Country Strong (PG 13)	6 p.m.
	True Grit (PG 13)	9 p.m.

The Caserma Ederle Post Movie Theater will be closed Monday-Thursday for renovations until further notice.

Camp Darby Theater

Friday	The Fighter (R)	6 p.m.
Saturday	Hall Pass (R)	6 p.m.
Sunday	The Dilemma (PG 13)	1 p.m.
March 25	True Grit (PG 13)	6 p.m.

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

View MOVIE TRAILERS and more online at
www.shopmyexchange.com/ems/euro/vicenza.htm
or www.aafes.com/ems/euro/livorno.htm.

No driving Sunday:

Sunday is a "no-driving day" in Vicenza from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. in all posted ZTL (no traffic zone) areas in the historic city center and adjacent neighborhoods to help reduce pollution. The ordinance applies to all vehicles. Violators will be fined €155. Main access roads to post will be open.

Improve GT score

The next FAST class is April 12 - May 3. Call 634-8933.

Furniture auction

The VHS Booster Club's furniture auction is Saturday at the high school gym, with silent auction beginning at 10 a.m. and live auction at 11 a.m. There will be furniture, lamps, jewelry and collectibles with proceeds supporting local student athletes.

Child screening

Infants and children to 5 years can have a free screening by a member of the Early Intervention Team or the Developmental Preschool Team April 6 at the Vicenza Elementary School in room 333, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Schedule an appointment with the CDC at 634-5700.

ID card appointments

The ID Card/Deers office at the Central Processing Facility will accept appointments and walk-ins as of April 1. To schedule an appointment, call the CPF at 634-6996 or stop by the customer service desk. Mondays-Fridays, 9 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.

Children's musical

The Chapel Children's Choir is seeking kids kindergarten-eighth grade for the Easter musical. Rehearsals are Sundays at 1 p.m. in the Spiritual Fitness center. All children are welcome. For info, e-mail dana.brue@eur.army.mil.

Arts and Crafts

- Digital Photography classes are being offered, with daytime or evening classes beginning April 5.
- Parent and kids can learn to make a bird whistle April 2. Cost is \$20.

Photo exhibit

- CYSS and the Boys and Girls Clubs of America's photo exhibit is ongoing to April 1 at the Post Library. View Vicenza youths' photos and vote for your favorite. Call 634-7659 for information.

Getaways Sweepstakes

Enter the Great Getaways Sweepstakes online for a chance to win a vacation for two to your choice of an AFRC resort. The prize includes round trip airfare for two, seven-nights lodging and a \$2,500 gift card. Sponsored by AFRC, USAA and GM Military Discount. Enter March 15-June 15 at www.afrcresorts.com.

Arena

- The Intramural Bowling League is March 28-June 13, Mondays at 6 p.m. except on training holidays. There is a \$20 fee per four-person team weekly. Each team's roster is allowed eight players, with four participating per game. Submit forms to the Arena, the Fitness Center or Gerald.V.Wilson@eur.army.mil

army.mil by Monday. There is a team captain's meeting Monday at 6 p.m. The championship is June 27. Call 634-7886.

Free preschool

Sure Start preschool program is accepting applications for this school year. Children must be 4 by Sept. 1. Pick up an application at the elementary school office.

Saturday childcare

Starting in April, FCC will offer childcare every second Saturday of the month, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and every fourth Saturday of the month from 6-11 p.m. Enrollment starts three weeks before childcare date. Space is limited. For more info, call Parent Central Services at 0444-71-7219.

Money management

Financial Peace University is a 13-week course offered Tuesdays 5:30-7:30 p.m. beginning March 29 at the Chapel. The course, valued at \$200, is free. Call 634-7519.

Vision screenings

The ophthalmology department will screen students' vision at the middle and high schools Tuesday for VHS and March 25 for VMS. Students must wear their glasses or contacts for the screening. Referrals will be sent to parents of students who fail to bring their glasses/contacts to the screening or who do not pass the screening. For info, call Susan Vanderbeek, RN, at 634-7584 (VHS) or 634-5710 (VMS).

Estate claims

Anyone having any claims on or obligations to the estate of Pvt. Michael Cumpston of Company B, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Parachute Infantry Regiment, 173rd ABCT, should contact the summary court officer, 1st Lt. Nicholas Lopez at 634-5226 or Nicholas.john.lopez@eur.army.mil.

Tobacco cessation

USAG Vicenza has numerous resources to help community members quit using tobacco. Medications, biofeedback, one-on-one counseling and group education classes are available locally. Contact the Army Wellness Center to schedule attendance at

the Tobacco Cessation Class, held every Tuesday from 4-4:45 p.m.

Call 634-8186 or 0444-718186 to schedule a class, or contact Raymond Hernandez at 636-9519 or 0444-61-9519 for more info.

ACS

- Soldier and Family Assistance Center provides after-hours telephone use, photocopying and faxing. Ninety days after deployment, the SFAC will return to Phase I. The center will return to normal hours April 1 (Monday - Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.). For more info, contact Mobilization & Deployment at 634-6690/8523.

- A hands-on workshop about searching for jobs on USAJobs and resume preparation is April 5 at 10 a.m. Bring a current resume and employment history. Reservation required. For info, call Employment Readiness at 634-7500/6884.

- An Army Family Team Building marathon is Monday-March 25, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Get all three levels of AFTB in a week. For more info, call 634-8526/7500.

AWG recruiting

Recruiters from the Asymmetric Warfare Group will hold briefings Tuesday-March 25 at the Hall of Heroes, 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., for officers and NCOs O3/E5 and above for operational advisor teams. Team members should have combat experience, communication skills and a desire to change the Army's culture. For info, visit www.awg.army.mil or call 301-768-6159/DSN 312-733-5366.

BOSS changes

The Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers lounge in Bldg. 9B is now open 10 a.m.-7 p.m. weekdays except Wednesdays, 1-10 p.m., and closed weekends. Eat free Wednesday evenings. Play video games, watch movies, surf the web or meet people. Call Sgt. Justin Vincent at 0444-716-475/634-6475 or Joe Reeder at 0444-715-406 / 634-5406.

Civilian fitness

DA civilian and local national employees may be authorized up to three hours work time weekly for 6

months to work on physical fitness. Supervisor approval is required. Contact the Army Wellness Center at 634-8186 for more info.

Free legal help

Navigating the MEB-PEB process is complicated, but free legal help is available. Visit the USAG Vicenza webpage at www.usag.vicenza.army.mil and click on "Hot Topics" to read the article.

EFMP events

Chit Chat and All That is Tuesday, 11 a.m.-noon about food allergies. No RSVP is necessary. This is an event for parents, but children are welcome. Call EFMP at 634-7500/8582.

Women's History Month

The Women's History Month celebration is Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at Soldiers' Theatre.

Alcoholics Anonymous

AA meetings Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the ASAP, building 169. It is an open meeting and anyone can come to learn about AA's 12 step recovery. There are no requirements except confidentiality.

Club Beyond trip

Club Beyond and the Chapel are sponsoring an Adventure Camp in Belgium, April 12-16, when middle-school aged students can stay in teepees, rock climb, zip line and try other activities. For info, contact Laura Livingston at 340-139-4073 or LLivingston@ClubBeyond.org or pick up a registration packet at the chapel.

Enter volunteer hours

The Volunteer Recognition ceremony is May 4 for those who volunteered April 1-March 31. If you volunteered during that time, submit your hours into the Volunteer Management Information System at www.myarmyonesource.com site.

Mandatory training

Mandatory annual Threat Awareness Reporting Program (formerly SAEDA) training and OPSEC training for all USAG Vicenza personnel will be March 29-30 in the Post Theater, 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:30 -3:30 p.m.



Photo by Laura Kreider

Last chance to see 'Godspell': Performers dance to the song "Day by Day" in "Godspell" at Soldiers' Theatre. The final performances are Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. The family-friendly musical features songs and dances by local performers. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for youth. Soldiers' Theatre hosts Comedy/Improv Night for two performances of outrageous scenes and adult comedy March 25 and 26 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Reserve tickets for either show at the theatre box office or call 634-7281.

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 "Spiritual Fitness Center", Bldg. 395 behind the Arena)

10:45 a.m.: Catholic religious education (September-May at "Spiritual Fitness Center". Bldg. 395 behind the Arena)

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

3:15 p.m.: Middle School Club Beyond meets in Villaggio Youth Center September-May

5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice

5:30 p.m.: PWOC Bible study. Dinner provided. No child care

5:30 p.m.: High School Club Beyond meets at the Teen Center for dinner; meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. 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: Call 634-7519 (0444-71-7519) for info

Jewish: Call Paul Levine at 345-907-2108

Latter Day Saints: Call Chance Wilson at 327-869-8107. Sunday services, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. downtown. Scripture study held Mondays, noon-1 p.m. at the chapel

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

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.

Community members run on Olsen Avenue during the Shamrock 5K Run on post Saturday. About 250 community members ran in the event. An Exceptional Family Member Program Fun Run preceded the 5K.



Post celebrates St. Patrick's with 5K

Story and photos by
Laura Kreider
Outlook Staff

With springtime just around the corner, about 250 participants, including Soldiers, civilians and family members with children in strollers joined the Shamrock 5K Run.

The event, which began and ended on the North 40 field track, was followed by an award ceremony during which winners were recognized in categories ranging from "Blarney Blasters", ages 1-17 years, up to "Irish Shufflers", 50 and older.

Jennifer Bess won the best costume and a dog named Brutus, accompanied by his owner Jennifer McDiarmid, also received a medal.

Several children joined in the event.

Among them, Quentin Carder, 9, participated in both the 5K and took second place in the Exceptional Family Member Program Fun Run held just before the Shamrock 5K.

"I enjoyed it," he said after the second run. "I like to run with my dad."

Top awardees were (male and female): Best time overall: Carlton Griffin, Jaimee Dzieszinski

Age 1-17: Tyler Holderby, Rima Gasparini

Age 18-29: Carlton Griffin, Jaimee Dzieszinski

Ages 30-39: Reuben Snyder, Jennifer Bess

Age 40-49: John Cindrich, Julia Sibilla

Age 50 and older: Joseph Santos, Evelyn Townsend

Stroller division: Jeremy Murphy

- *Statistics provided by Anne Connor, fitness facility manager.*



Jennifer Bess shows her St. Patrick's Day spirit during the 5K. Bess won awards for best costume and finishing first in her division.

Still time to sign up for StraVicenza Run

News release

The City of Vicenza's annual StraVicenza Run will take place Sunday at 10 a.m.

Events include the 1.5, 4.5 and 10K races. The start and finish point is at Campo Marzo. Community members

can register at the StraVicenza Point, Loggia del Capitaniato in Piazza dei Signori, at one of the following times: Friday, 4-8 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. or 3:30-8 p.m., and Sunday 7:45-9:45 a.m.

The cost is €4 and a reduced fee of €2 is available for children younger than 14. Cost includes bib number, snack and medical coverage. Bag storage service is available for €0.50.

Sunday is also a no-driving day in

Vicenza. Participants can park their vehicles in the Stadio, Via Cricoli or Via Farini parking lots and take a bus to the city center. Vicenza buses and parking in the above lots will be free after 7:30 a.m.

From Caserma Ederle, participants can take the #7 or #1 bus from Viale della Pace and get off at the Stazione (train station).

For more information, in Italian only, visit www.stravicenza.it.

Italian Football kicks off Sunday

Bill Kost

Special to the Outlook

The Italian Football League kicks off its 2011 season Sunday at 2 p.m. at Parma, as the Parma Panthers begin defending their 2010 Super Bowl title against the Catania Elephants.

To defend their title, the Panthers are counting on their quarterback, Tommaso Monardi, 20, to fill in for departed American quarterback, Joe Craddock. Joining Monardi this year are American players Tanyon Bissell (Boise State University), Nate Lyles (University of Virginia) and Jaycen Taylor (Purdue University). Two other key additions are Italian players Diego Gennaro and Tommaso Finadri.

Andrew Papoccia, Panthers' head coach, believes a mix of youthful talent and veteran leadership are the keys to success.

"We fully expect to continue where we left off in 2010," he said. "The players work very well together, and the coaching staff will do their best to put the players in position to be successful."

Games are played at Stadio XXV Aprile. General admission is €5 and free for people younger than 18 or older than 60.

For more information about the Panthers or a complete schedule of games, visit www.panthers.it or join their Facebook page at Parma Panthers AFT.



Photo courtesy of the Parma Panthers

Players on the Italian Football League play in a game during the 2010 season. The IFL kicks off their season Sunday.

Upcoming games include:

March 26: 9 p.m. Panthers at Bologna Doves
April 3: 3 p.m. Ancona Dolphins at Panthers
April 9: 5 p.m. Panthers at L'Hospitalet Pioners
April 17: 3 p.m. Panthers at Bolzano Giants
July 9: 8 p.m. Italian Super Bowl in Parma

Sports Shorts

Basketball in Treviso

A professional basketball game between the Benetton Basket and the Canadian Solar Bologna in Treviso is March 26 at 8 p.m. Tickets are €10 each (regular €30) and bus transport is provided at €8 per person. Special seating is available for American families with "meet and greet" with players after the game. Contact Erik Wakefield at 327-136-1490 or eric.wakefield@eu.dodea.edu.

Unit & rec play

New players always welcome. Call 634-7009 or individual POCs.

Basketball: 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday for 6 or more, fitness center.

Volleyball: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday for 8 or more players, fitness center.

Men's Soccer: 7-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday for 10 or more players at the turf field behind the Ederle Inn. E-mail shaun.nurse@amedd.army.mil or call 636-9648/9120.

Women's Soccer: 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday for 8 or more players at the turf field behind the Ederle Inn. E-mail carl.kerr@amedd.army.mil or call 636-9632.

Fitness classes

Group fitness classes at the Fitness Center include: Cycling, Cardio Blast, Power Pump, Yoga, Zumba and AquaFit. Purchase tickets at the front desk for \$3 each or 10 for \$25. Tae Kwon Do is offered 3 days a week for \$10 per session or purchase a monthly ticket for \$60. Personal training and massage sessions are available. For prices and scheduling, call the Fitness Center at 634-6240 or visit www.vicenzamwr.com/sports.html.

Recreational Leagues

♦ **Racquetball League** begins April 15. Enter by April 7. Participants' meeting is April 7, 6 p.m. at the Fitness Center Racquetball Courts.

♦ **Recreational Tennis** begins April 19. Enter by April 12. Participants' meeting is April 12 at 6 p.m. at the Tennis Courts.

Post soccer game

The Post Soccer Team will play Peru Saturday at 1 p.m. on the North 40 field. Location may change to the turf field. For info, call 634-7009.

Marksmanship competition

An international shooting competition is June 10-12 in Tirano. Teams should have three competitors, with a team leader (preferably officer or NCO). Space is limited. Register by May 1. The competition features four matches including rapid fire, precision at altering distances, and dynamic shooting. Weapons are provided by the organizers and include an M1, 9mm and others. For info, e-mail nastroazzurrosondrio@alice.it or call 333-668-5617.

Lifeguards needed

Sports, Fitness and Aquatics is seeking summer lifeguards for the outdoor pools. Two sessions to become certified are available April 7-11 and April 28-May 1, Thursday and Friday evenings and Saturday and Sunday all day. Cost is \$65. To be eligible, you must be 16 or older and able to swim 300 meters. Sign up by April 1 at the Fitness Center. Call 634-8642 for more information.