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### New Hours

Beginning June 1, the Caserma Ederle Commissary will open on Sundays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.



### Passport Update

USAREUR Visual Information policy on photographic support to personnel actions has changed. The TSC photo studios (Bldg. 93 in Vicenza and Bldg. 737 in Livorno) will now provide photographic support for tourist (blue) passports and international drivers' licenses for service members and DA civilians.

Call 634-7508 in Vicenza or 633-7771 in Livorno to schedule a photo.

There is no change to the policy regarding official (red) passport and "soggiorno" photos.



### TRADING SPACES

Col. James H. Johnson III (center), the 173d Airborne Brigade Combat Team commander, speaks to paratroopers from 1st Battalion (Airborne), 503rd Infantry about their training accomplishments during their Joint Maneuver Training Center rotation in Grafenwoehr, Germany. The 1-503rd returned from Grafenwoehr May 15, the day 2-503 departed to begin its rotation. 2-503rd will fall onto 1-503rd's footprint, occupying the same buildings and ranges, and conducting the same training.

Photo by Chaplain (Capt.) Michael Swartz

## NCOs train the trainers in Rwanda

### Local troops mentor Soldiers at Gabiro infantry school

Story and photo by  
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U.S. Army Africa Command

**GABIRO, Rwanda** – A breeze from across the Rwandan savannah lifted a strip of white engineer tape from the red clay as four Rwandan Defense Force corporals jammed together with their AK-47 rifles at the ready.

Master Sgt. George Duenas, a U.S. Army Africa NCO, laid the tape out in room-size boxes to simulate clearing a building. The "glass building" gave Duenas and Staff Sgt. Chad Sloan a place to discuss the "four-stack," a basic infantry formation learned by U.S. Soldiers to fight their way into a structure.

"Mentoring here forces our team of American and British NCOs to return to very basic methods of instruction, nothing fancy here," Duenas said. "It's all just peer-to-peer, one-on-one."

The two noncommissioned officers



Master Sgt. George Duenas of U.S. Army Africa mentors Rwandan Defense Force soldiers. Duenas and U.S. Army Africa's Staff Sgt. Chad Sloan are engaged in the mentorship along with British soldiers in a partnership that helps build a collaborative environment for NCO capacity.

left their Vicenza, Italy headquarters in late April to take part in a British-led partnership designed to build noncommissioned officer capacity.

The month-long mentorship program at the Rwandan infantry school in Gabiro is focused

on developing squad leaders skills using what the Army calls the "train-the-trainer" method.

"What the Rwandan NCOs learn this afternoon, they will show their fellow soldiers tomorrow morning," Duenas said.

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## Casey: Iraq drawdown could increase dwell time

By MICHELLE TAN  
Army Times staff writer

Soldiers could have as much as two and a half years of dwell time between deployments by 2011 if the drawdown in Iraq proceeds as planned, Army Chief of Staff Gen. George Casey said May 6 on Capitol Hill.

However, Casey also said the next year or so will be busy for soldiers as 21,000 additional troops, including two brigade combat teams

and a combat aviation brigade, flow into Afghanistan.

"I expect the next 12 to 18 months will continue to be tough," Casey said to members of the House appropriations

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Chief of Staff of the Army Gen. George W. Casey Jr. during a hearing before the Senate Armed Services Committee in Washington, D.C.

U.S. Army photo by D. Myles Cullen



# PCSing soon?

## Find out how *you* can make it a smooth move

### Special to the Outlook

The PCS season is upon us and with a little planning the move could be made with a minimum of stress on all parties involved.

Ensuring that community members' goods are packaged and sent to the service members or civilian employees' next duty location is the duty of the USAG Vicenza, Directorate of Logistics, Installation Transportation Office (ITO).

In order to accommodate this busy time of year, ITO holds daily outbound briefings. These briefings include information on outbound worksheets, custom worksheets and all documents needed by service members and civilian employees.

### Online assistance

As an alternative to attending the briefing, service members and civilians can initiate their move online using the new DoD program called Defense Personal Property Program (DP3).

This program is designed to improve quality of life for service members, civilian employees and their families. DP3 is available 24/7 365 days a year from any location with internet access, according to Otis Newton, ITO director.

Some important details to consider using DP3 include:

- You must establish a DP3 account to process and manage your shipment, request delivery, file a claim and complete your customer satisfaction survey.

- You will receive e-mail notification throughout the move process; you must maintain a current e-mail address in DP3 that will be valid at origin and destination.

- Orders must be provided to the ITO for final processing.

To establish a DP3 account, visit [www.move.mil](http://www.move.mil) and click on "DoD Customers." For those who elect not to use DP3, Newton recommends transitioning personnel and their spouses attend the briefings together.

Most of the time, the spouse is the one present for pickup, said Newton and with spouses attending the briefings, ITO can better explain the process and answer any

## Yikes! Fido needs a passport, too?

It's time to move to your next assignment and you're ready to go, but what about your pet? Europe requires a pet passport to transport your pet out of Italy.

The steps are simple:

1. Call the Veterinarian Treatment Facility not fewer than 45 days prior to departure to schedule your pet out-processing.

2. Your pet must meet the following requirements:

- Rabies vaccination must have been not less than 30 days ago and not more than 11 months before departure.

- Stop by the VTF and pick up the rabies vaccination slip, the pet passport request form and a postal pre-payment slip. The pre-payment slip must be taken to an Italian post office and costs 10 euro per pet. Be sure to save the receipt as you will need to take this with you for the next step.

- Take the rabies vaccination certificate, pet passport request form and the postal receipt to the U.L.S.S. (Unita Locale Socio Sanitaria) N. 6 office located on Viale della Pace, down the street from the chapel gate and across the street from the Hotel Mary.

The U.L.S.S. office is in the same building as the restaurant Da Fogher, a bank and the Natura Infinita store. The entrance is on the right-hand side, behind the store. The representative is available Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. - noon. You do not need take your pet with you.

- Once you have your pet passport, you must return to the VTF to have it signed and stamped. You may do this at any time during the VTF's regular business hours, 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and 1-4 p.m. on Thursday. You also may bring it with you to your pet's next appointment.

3. Our veterinarian must see your animal and issue a health certificate within 10 days of your departure. In the event that our veterinarian is unavailable, the VTF will direct you to an authorized Italian veterinarian in the Vicenza area.

**NOTE:** If PCS'ing to a rabies-free island (Hawaii, Guam or England), call the VTF immediately as it may take three to six months of preparation to accomplish the move.

For more information, call the VTF, located in Longare, at 635-4841 or 0444-71-4841.

questions.

Before coming to ITO to schedule household goods pick up, people must have orders.

Service members must also ensure that when they bring the copy of the orders, it has both the front and back side to it.

That is mostly because the fund cite is located on the back of the orders and is a necessary part of processing the service member's request. It is important to start this process as soon as possible, said Newton.

### Estimating weight

Another way customers can make the whole process easier for themselves and the ITO is by having an idea of the estimated weight of all their items, know what dates they want pick-up and bringing a strip map of how to get to their home.

A good way to estimate the weight, said Newton, is by giving each room in your

house an automatic 1,000 pound weight, then multiply that by how many rooms you have.

### Know your limit

Service members and civilians must also remember how much weight they are allowed to ship. For service members, this weight is determined by their rank, number of dependents and their time OCONUS, said Newton.

If the shipment is more than the allowed weight, service members must pay on the spot. Retiring Soldiers may have the amount taken from their monthly pay.

For civilians, maximum weight is easier to determine, said Newton. Civilians are authorized an automatic 18,000 lbs. An additional 350 lbs are authorized for unaccompanied baggage, he added.

"Customers or their representative must be at home when the movers arrive," said Newton. An agent can charge for a missed

pickup. If the customer is not available, the customer must provide the name of the representative during counseling.

The pick-up cannot occur of course, if the movers do not know where you live or how to get there.

If you live in the downtown area, providing driving directions is important because many areas downtown do not have sufficient parking areas for the trucks and pick-up arrangements must be made beforehand.

### Cutting costs

As summer is the peak PCS time, it may take longer for items to arrive at your new location.

To avoid the added expense of renting a vehicle at the new duty station, ship your POV as early as possible, said Newton.

Transporting your household items can go smoothly.

For more information, call ITO at any of these numbers: 634-8115 / 8290 / 6923 / 6926 / 8203.

Information and worksheets can also be found on the Web at [www.usag.vicenza.army.mil/sites/directorates/ito.asp](http://www.usag.vicenza.army.mil/sites/directorates/ito.asp) or [www.move.mil](http://www.move.mil).

## Helpful Hints

- Bring a copy of your orders (front & back)
- Bring a strip map to your house with exact names of the street and town/city
- Have an estimated weight amount of all your household items before coming
- If you need to ship a POV, ensure it has an EPA sticker (not necessary for vehicles 25 years and older)
- If you have any antiques (items over 150 years old), have the necessary customs forms filled out, and proof of authenticity.
- For a pick-up date, be mindful of Italian holidays when movers do not work
- Estimate the weight of professional gear and let ITO know since it does not count towards your overall weight allowed.
- If sending your shipment to an area outside the U.S., notify ITO immediately. Shipping can take up to two months
- Bring your spouse to briefings, especially if they will be there for the pick-up.
- Soldiers can receive up to 180 days of storage time; civilians receive 90 days.
- Visit [www.move.mil](http://www.move.mil) for more info.

## Speak Out

What PCS tips would you like to share?

-By Diana Bahr  
USAG Vicenza Public Affairs



Skyla and Kyra Jenkins  
Family members

"Make sure everything is ready for the movers. Put your passports in a safe place! We had to dig ours out of boxes. Take photos of all belongings."



Valli Wade  
Family member

"Be positive about the move, get organized and involve your children."



Master Sgt. Patrick Buker  
HSC, SETAF

"Communicate with your sponsor, new unit, and family members. [www.militaryone.com](http://www.militaryone.com) is a great site."



Marcie Newman  
Family member

"Research the new duty station on [www.militaryone.com](http://www.militaryone.com). The relocation readiness office is a great source of information."



Kari Wieringa  
Family member

"Be informed on your new duty station. Use the Internet to find resources about the post."

## The Noncommissioned Officer

### PATTERNS OF SUCCESS



**Sgt. Rory Bermudez-Castro**

**Unit:** USAHC Vicenza  
**Current Position:** Nurse  
**Age:** 40  
**Hometown:** Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico and Tamuning, Guam  
**Years in service:** 8  
**What would surprise people about you:** That I'm not airborne or infantry.  
**Biggest mentor and why:** Sgt. 1st Class Miles, licensed practical nurse instructor, Walter Reed Army Hospital, Washington, DC... While a student, I was, at times, disillusioned about becoming a nurse, until one day he and I overheard a Soldier making fun of our role as nurses... Tactfully and professionally he said "in this Army, we all have our roles... and we, as nurses, are not only serving Soldiers, their families, both disabled and non-disabled veterans, and whoever needs help or medical attention... we are serving a higher purpose."  
**Your definition of an NCO:** Someone who, with or without resources, finds a way to provide solutions to problems.  
**List of major assignments/deployments:** 10th CSH, Operation Iraqi Freedom I, Walter Reed Army Hospital, Winn Army Community Hospital  
**Life's ambition:** Serve my God, serve my country and, at the same time, put as much time and effort into my family.  
**Motto:** I would rather attempt to do something and fail... then to do nothing and succeed.

Visit the Army's Web site dedicated to the Year of the NCO at [www.army.mil/YearoftheNCO](http://www.army.mil/YearoftheNCO).

# U.S. Army Africa troops school junior NCOs on four stack roles

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Sloan, who served a combat tour in Iraq as an infantry squad leader, led them through urban operations. In Vicenza, he works with the U.S. Army Africa operations section.

### The four stack

Duenas, a senior NCO from U.S. Army Africa's logistics team, served as a first sergeant in Iraq and has mentored U.S. Soldiers for nearly two decades. Together, they work as a team to ensure Rwandan junior NCOs understand the roles of each team member in the four stack.

The U.S. Army calls it "Military Operations on Urban Terrain," or MOUT. The British call it "Operations in a Built Up Area" or OBUA.

Either way, it is learning to take the fight inside a building to kill the enemy and avoid both friendly and civilian casualties.

The instruction moves slowly. Although some RDF troops speak a little English – most speak French as a second language – everything must be translated into Rwandan.

### Making it clear

"You really have to articulate what you are saying – you have to make yourself clear so they understand," Duenas said.

Earlier in the day, the American and British mentors oversaw a live-fire assault on a mock village, a task led by Rwandan instructors.

Observing from a fire support position was Lt. Col. Lauerian Nkuriye, deputy commander of the Gabiro training center, who said he underwent a command post exercise last year with foreign troops.

"This is much different, actually," Nkuriye said. "I'm impressed with our soldiers' performance. They have certainly learned some things from the American and British soldiers."

### The selection

Rwandan soldiers were selected for the course based on their age and

potential, Nkuriye said. This year, the program focused on mentoring NCOs to lead a squad. Nkuriye hopes to see the program grow.

"I see events like this building up," Nkuriye said. "Senior NCO training should be our aspiration."

But for now, the Rwandan troops who have attended this unique training can go back and be a section commander, he said, the equivalent of a squad leader.

Rwandan Cpl. Alphonse Kagisha, 27, from the Gatsibo district – West of Gabiro, has served in uniform for a decade.

It's his first time working with NCOs from other countries.

"The American and British have experience to share and we gain much," Kagisha said. "They assist us on how to teach others. I have learned much."

**The American and British have experience to share and we gain much.**

**Cpl. Alphonse Kagisha**  
Rwandan corpora

## FPCON Bravo--say WHAT?

### USAG Vicenza Force Protection Office

There are four levels of force protection: Alpha, Bravo, Charlie and Delta with Alpha being the lowest and Delta the highest.

Caserma Ederle is currently at FPCON Bravo and this means:

1. Continue previously implemented practices.
2. Don't panic; there is no immediate danger. Be more vigilant than normal. Follow up on feelings you may have about things "not being right."
3. Expect delays when entering

the installation and facilities. Plan accordingly and have ID available.

4. Inform your children that they need to be especially alert to strangers. If children have contact with strangers, they need to tell you immediately.

5. Make sure your children understand whatever measures their schools might have implemented.

6. Make sure your children carry some type of identification.

7. Don't accept home deliveries unless you are expecting them.

8. Check vehicles for any signs of tampering (gas cap, doors, hood, underneath the vehicle).

9. Tune in to local television and radio stations for information updates. Remember that AFN Vicenza is found on channel 14 of your AFN decoder and AFN 106FM is channel 142 on your AFN decoder.

10. Consider conducting personal business in one trip, preferably during daylight.

11. Family members should have their home phone and sponsor's work phone numbers at all times.

For more information about force protection levels, call the USAG Vicenza Force Protection office at 634-8069 or 0444-71-8069.

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## At your service USAG Vicenza Library



Michelle Krewson is the Vicenza military community librarian and new to the area.

"I try to keep the library on top of things and interesting by ordering the newest books, DVDs, CDs, video games and graphic novels," she said. "I am always looking for suggestions and am looking forward to starting up new library programs such as author visits, preschool story times, the summer reading program, book clubs, teen advisory boards and gaming tournaments."

Call Krewson with your suggestions at 634-7291, or 0444-71-7291 from off post.

The library is open Monday-Friday, 10:30 a.m.-7 p.m., Saturdays 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m. and holidays 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

# Community Camera

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

## SEATED FOR SAFETY

Julia Sibilla, certified child safety seat technician, explains to Nikkita Cyrus how to adjust the seat belt for her 7-week-old son Joshua Lord during Safety Day activities in and around Caserma Ederle May 20.

Awareness events included a bicycle ride sponsored by Outdoor Recreation with a pre-ride inspection and safety briefing; a 30-kilometer motorcycle trip with a chance to navigate typical road hazards associated with riding in Italy; forklift training for licensed operators and essential information on different types of forklifts used throughout the installation; pool safety at the Villaggio pool; information booths in front of the PX; wellness center material on exercise safety and a display of insects indigenous to the area by preventive medicine.

Photo by Laura Kreider



Photo by Laura Kreider

**UNLIKELY REUNION:** Retired service member Clyde Anderson (left) greets Dario Zanotto, an Installation Materiel Maintenance Activity employee, May 14—more than three decades after Anderson ran the IMMA shop as the unit's NCOIC. Anderson was stationed at Caserma Ederle in 1962 and 1972, hiring Zanotto during his second tour in Vicenza. "After 34 years I had the chance to come back to visit for two weeks and it has been the experience of a lifetime," said the 67-year-old Anderson. "I don't know if I will ever get the opportunity to come back or not, but this is something to remember for the rest of my life."



Courtesy photo

**HIGH HOPES:** Eleven students made their First Holy Communion, presided by Chaplain (Maj.) Jose Herrera, May 3 at Caserma Ederle's St. Mark's chapel. The students are: Kathryn Barna, Joseph Calabrese, Erick Chaplin, Lexy Chaplin, Jasmine-Maria Deva, Caroline Fleming, Laura Madson, Ryan McFarlane (not pictured), Jose Mendez, Caroleena Mejia, Estelle Silk and Isiah Sheppard.



**SHE'S GOT TALENT:** Marilyn Barrera, a Vicenza Elementary School student, gives her all during an "America's Got Talent" style competition at Caserma Ederle's movie theater May 19.



**CONGRATULATIONS:** Anna Vallery, 17, was selected to compete against hundreds of Boys & Girls Club members across the U.S. and garrisons worldwide for her sound character, leadership skills and willingness to give back to the community.



**WELCOME:** Lt. Col. G. Shawn Wells took command of the 509th Signal Battalion during a change of command ceremony at Hoekstra Field May 15. Wells arrived from the Pentagon, where he worked for Installation Management headquarters.



**MENTORING:** Staff Sgt. Chad Sloan mentors Rwandan Defense Force soldiers on fundamental infantry skills. Sloan and Master Sgt. George Duenas, both from U.S. Army Africa are engaged in this instruction along with British soldiers in a partnership program and are building a collaborative environment for NCO capacity.

Photo by Rick Scavetta

## Garrison policy states swim area restrictions

USAG Vicenza Safety Office

The post swimming pools, lakes and most of the nearby beaches are open and safety should always play a role in planning and executing all water activities.

Garrison policy letter 08-40 states that DoD civilians, military personnel and family members may only swim in an approved and authorized swimming area.

Approved areas may include public pools, beaches and lakes. Beaches must be designated for swimming and have an on-duty life guard with the proper first aid equipment.

Rivers are not authorized for swimming but may be used for other water activities.

The American Red Cross', "Too List" is a great place to get ideas in mitigating risks associated with water activities.

The list reminds people to follow some basic water safety rules, never get "too tired, too cold, too far away from safety,



Photo by Laura Kreider

Community members take advantage of warm spring weather to enjoy opening day at the Villaggio pool May 20. Garrison policy letter 08-40 requires DoD civilians, military personnel and family members to only swim in authorized areas.

too much sun or too much strenuous activity."

Toys are not designed to

save lives, so do not rely on them for that purpose, always supervise children in the water,

never drink alcohol before conducting water activities and never swim alone.

## Dwell time increase to up conventional warfare training

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subcommittee on military construction, veterans affairs and related agencies.

Original projections called for Soldiers to get two years at home between deployments by 2011, Casey said. Soldiers now receive at least 12 months of dwell time.

But as President Barack Obama has outlined his plans for bringing home troops from Iraq, Casey said dwell time should grow to two and a half years within that same timeframe.

That's still not the three years of dwell time Casey said he would like, but "it gives us more time than I expected."

With increased dwell time, Soldiers will be able to train not just on counterinsurgency

operations, but also on more conventional warfare, Casey said.

"The majority of units are doing counterinsurgency training, but we are taking the opportunities when we can to take advantage of conventional warfare [training]," he said.

When the time comes that units are able to conduct regular and irregular warfare training, the process should move quickly

because most soldiers are combat veterans, Casey said.

"We're so weighed down by our current demands," he said.

**As President Barack Obama outlined his plans for bringing home troops from Iraq, Casey said dwell time should grow to two and a half years within that same timeframe.**

Since December 2007, Casey has said that the Army is out of balance.

He testified May 6 that the work to bring the Army back into balance is on track.

That includes reaching an increased end strength of 547,400, working to increase dwell time and transforming, so

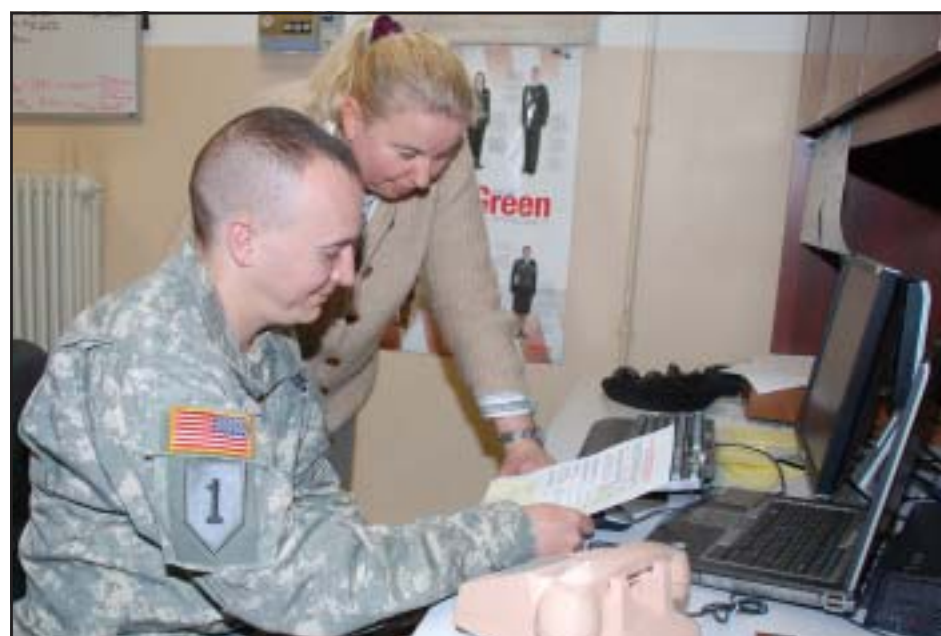
far, more than 85 percent of the Army's units.

As the Army draws down in Iraq, Casey said the infusion of more troops to Afghanistan marks the "beginnings of a shift of emphasis of priority" from Iraq.

"Down south, forces continue to come in, they'll be on the ground before the [Afghan] elections [this fall]," Casey said. "I believe we have enough forces for secure elections."

Looking ahead, Casey said he anticipates it will take three to five years to get the Afghan army and police to the point where they can start securing their own country.

"But we're not going to do this by military means alone," he said.



### KUDOS TO YOU!

Spc. Patrick Otis (left) and Francesca Cisotto, 14th Transportation Battalion (MC) go over paperwork on a daily basis. Since 2000, an annual USAREUR ceremony recognizes Active Army, Army National Guard and Army Reserve organizations that have achieved deployment excellence. This year's best supporting unit was the 14th Trans. Bn., Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment.

The deployment excellence award was presented during an April 8 ceremony in Heidelberg, Germany. "The award in my mind is truly deserved," said Lt. Col. James Rupkalvis, 14th Trans. Bn. commander. "We've got a lot of great Soldiers and civilians that work at the 14th Transportation Battalion, and those folks are able to stay on top of all the requests for transportation, moving personnel and equipment between here and other installations including Aviano, Germany and the port in Livorno in order to deploy the units and also deploy themselves."

Photo by Laura Kreider

## Darby Dates

### Get in shape with free noon classes

Check out Eileen's list of classes. There's something scheduled almost every day of the week.

Call the Fitness Center for more information at 633-7440.

### Stop by ITR to schedule a trip

Visit some of Rome's most famous sites at your own pace.

Start off in Vatican City, home of St. Peter's Basilica and Vatican Museum (where you'll find the Sistine Chapel).

Call ITR for more information at 633-7589.

### Identity theft class

Learn ways to protect yourself and your family from identity theft crimes at this May 15 class.

Call ACS at 633-7084 for details.

### Darby Community Club activities

Every Thursday is Karaoke Night at the Club.

Fun starts at 6:30 p.m.

Need to say thanks? Bring your right arm/wing man to the Community Club on the third Friday of each month.

### 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.

Vacation Bible School is coming in June.

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

Catholic confirmation is being planned in Vicenza for the first week of June.

Contact the Catholic education coordinator for details.

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.

## Historical boat pageant set May 24



Photo courtesy of San Germano Town Hall

**READY, SET, SHOP:** Get your arts and crafts and other local products at the May 24 agricultural market in San Germano dei Berici, Borgo di Campolongo. (See below.)

### Local festivals & events

#### Historical boat pageant set at festival

The Sensa Festival is scheduled May 24 at 9 a.m. in Venice, San Marco Square and Lido di Venezia, about 45 miles east of Vicenza.

It will feature the gathering of the historical boats for the traditional pageant to the Lido di Venezia.

Also featured will be the ritual throwing of the ring celebrating the antique tradition of the Doge of Venice throwing a gold ring into the sea to demonstrate Vicenza's dominion in the gulf and the throwing of a laurel wreath in memory of those lost at sea.

There will be an open market and entertainment all day.

The traditional Regata della Sensa starts at 11 a.m. It marks the beginning of the regatta season. It can be seen from Riva degli Schiavoni and from Riviera San Nicolò at the lido.

#### Cherry festival, live choir set May 23-24 in Pianezze

A cherry festival is planned May 23 - 24 in Pianezze, about 18 miles north of Vicenza. Food booths with cherries from Marostica and other local agricultural products will be offered.

■ **Saturday:** 8:45 p.m. Concert with the participation of "I Crodaioi" Choir.

■ **Sunday:** 11 a.m. Local crafts and products exhibition.

8:30 p.m. live music and ballroom dancing with the "Sergio Cremonese" orchestra.

#### Antiques for sale at May 24 collector's fair

A collector's fair is set May 24 from 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m. in Grisignano di Zocco, about 14 miles southeast of Vicenza.

Antiques and collectors items will be for sale, including furniture, lighting, glass and tableware, vintage jewelry and fashion accessories, prints, rare books, coins, medals postcards and old advertising.

#### Free rose product sampling at festival

Roses in Villa Giusti is planned for May 23-24, from 9:30 a.m. - 7 p.m., in Bassano del Grappa, Via Travettone, 30.

Roses and unusual herbs show and market, entertainment for children, live music, virtual rose garden exhibition, patio furniture, children workshops, free rose products sampling. General admission is 3 euro and free for children under 12.

#### Get your local bisi at weekend event

A bisi (dialect for peas) festival is scheduled May 23-24 in Lumignano di Longare, seven miles southeast of Vicenza.

At 6:30 p.m., food booths will feature the local risi e bisi (rice with peas), peas lasagna, polenta and cheese, soppesa (Vicentine salami), prosecco and other local wines.

Lumignano cherries and peas will be on sale. Live

music and ballroom dances kick off at 9 p.m.

#### Fest boasts fireworks, amusement park

A May 23-24 wine festival will take place in Breganze, Piazza Mazzini, about 15 miles north of Vicenza.

At 8 p.m., food booths, an amusement park, and craft exhibition will open in Piazza degli Alpini.

There will be wine sampling, fireworks, and ballroom dancing at 9 p.m.

#### Vintage costumes featured at agricultural, arts fest

An agricultural, arts and crafts products and spontaneous herbs exhibit and market is set May 24 in San Germano dei Berici, Borgo di Campolongo.

Food booths will feature local products.

A vintage costume show, food booths and entertainment for children will be offered at 10:30 a.m.

#### Festival of the Nations held at Piazza Monza

The festival will take place May 24 from 4-10 p.m., in Dueville, Piazza Monza, about 10 miles north of Vicenza.

It will include a market, food stands, games and entertainment for children, hospital clowns from Vicenza's Clown Therapy Association and music and dances from all over the world.

In case of inclement weather, the festival will be held at the Santa Maria Chapel, Barchessa, Piazza Monza.

#### Free concerts, exhibits & classes

■ **Campionaria - International Fair** ongoing until May 24, Monday-Friday from 4 p.m.-midnight; Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m. - midnight. The fair will be held in Padova, Via N. Tommaseo 59, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza.

More than 1,000 vendors featuring items for home, vacation, hobbies, sports, cars, motorbikes, patio furniture, fitness and camping equipment, horse and dog shows, entertainment and live music will be offered.

■ **Lazy Acoustic Band Concert:** May 21 at 9:30 p.m., in Vicenza, Country Club, Monte Crocetta 6.

■ **Epochè 1.0 in concert - Live cocktail music:** May 23, 9:30 p.m., in Vicenza, Equobar, Strada Marosticana, 350.

■ **Explore the sky:** Astronomical Observatory of Arcugnano, May 26, 9 p.m., Via S. Giustina, 127 - about five miles south of Vicenza. View the sky and the planets in great detail with the observatory's telescope.

■ **Nesta King - Acoustic Reggae:** May 26, 9 p.m., in Vicenza, Dai Nodari Restaurant, Contrà do Rode, 20.

#### Pay concerts & events

■ **Mamma mia** musical in English, in Forlì, June 15-20.

■ **Lenny Kravitz:** June 5 in Rome; June 6 in Brescia;

July 11 in Lucca. June 8 in Verona.

■ **Depeche Mode:** June 16 in Rome; June 18 in Milan.

■ **U-2:** July 7 in Milan.

■ **Anastacia:** July 8 in Lucca; July 12 in Rome.

For details, visit [www.ticketone.it/EN/Home](http://www.ticketone.it/EN/Home).

■ **Madonna:** July 14 in Milan; July 16 in Udine.

■ **James Taylor:** July 15 in Piazzola Sul Brenta (Padova).

■ **Motorhead:** July 17 in Piazzola Sul Brenta (Padova).

Tickets are available in Vicenza at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center or online at [http://www.green.ticket.it/index.html?imposta\\_lingua=ing](http://www.green.ticket.it/index.html?imposta_lingua=ing) or <http://www.ticketone.it/EN/>

### Outdoor Recreation

#### Memorial Day weekend adventures

Celebrate the beginning of summer with FMWR. Ride the rapids May 23 for an exciting afternoon of white water rafting. Relax at the ranch or ride horseback through the hills May 22-24. Call ODR at 634-7453.

#### Trieste and Miramare castle trips

Explore the Miramare castle with an inside guided tour of this beautiful love nest built in 1856.

Free time for lunch, sightseeing, and shopping will be in the port city of Trieste. Trip departs from post at 7:30 a.m. June 6. Sign up in advance by calling 634-7453.

## Now Showing



### Ederle Theater

May 21	The Last House on the Left (R)	6 p.m.
May 22	Coraline (PG)	6 p.m.
	Duplicity (PG-13)	9 p.m.
May 23	Coraline (PG)	3 p.m.
	Angels and Demons (PG-13)	6 p.m.
May 24	Duplicity (PG-13)	3 p.m.
	Angels and Demons (PG-13)	6 p.m.
May 27	Coraline (PG)	6 p.m.
May 28	Duplicity (PG-13)	6 p.m.

### Camp Darby Theater

May 22	Obsessed (PG-13)	6 p.m.
May 23	Fast & Furious (PG-13)	6 p.m.
May 24	Coraline (PG)	1 p.m.
May 28	Duplicity (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 time.

Looking for the movie synopsis? Check out the AAFES Web site: [www.aafes.com](http://www.aafes.com), scroll to the bottom of the page and click on Movie Schedule.

## Summer pool schedule

The Villaggio pool is now open. The Ederle Inn Pool opens May 22.

The 2009 summer pool schedule is:

Villaggio is open for recreational swimming Monday to Friday from noon-7 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. It will be closed on Wednesdays for maintenance.

The pool in Villaggio is open Tuesday and Thursday from 6-8:30 a.m. for water survival training by appointment only.

The Ederle Inn pool will be open from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. every day of the week except Tuesdays, when it will close for maintenance.

## Youth summer camp enrollment begins

Enrollment is now open for youth in grades 6-12 to participate in this year's Youth Program Summer Camp. Adventures include kayaking, amusement parks, skiing and snowboarding, and overnight trips to Germany or Croatia.

The camps run weekly and include activities, admission to parks, snack and lunch.

Enroll at CYS Central Registration, Bldg. 108. Call 634-7659.

## HIRED! Teen Apprenticeship

CYS Services has launched a program for 15-18-year-olds to have paid apprenticeships on post.

The jobs are designed to be an exploratory work experience in various career interest areas. There will be an informational meeting at the Teen Center May 21 at 4 p.m. Parents and students are welcome.

Call 634-7615 for information.

## Where's the beach?

Visit ODR's page on [www.vicenzamwr.com](http://www.vicenzamwr.com) for directions to your favorite beaches, including Jesolo and Lignano.

## Health center closings

Due to federal and training holidays, the Vicenza Health Center will be closed May 22 and 25; June 12 and 15; and July 3-6.

## Postal reminder

All first class mail and package notifications will be in the CMR boxes no later than noon Monday to Friday except national holidays.

All other classes of mail will arrive in the mail boxes no later than 4 p.m. Call the postal service center at 634-7430 for more information.

## Library book club

On June 4, the library's monthly book club will meet at 7 p.m. to discuss Anthony Doerr's *Four Seasons in Rome*. It's free and open to anyone who's interested. Bring your favorite snack to share.

The library will provide drinks, napkins, and plates. The library has 10 copies of the book available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Sign up at the circulation desk or call 634-7291.

## CDC closure

The CDC Bldg. 398 will be closed May 22 so that staff may conduct annual training.

Children normally cared for in Bldg. 398 will be provided care at Bldg. 395. The hours are 6 a.m.-6 p.m.

Call Michelle Sterowicz at 634-5008 or Luca Harbeson at 634-8433 for details.

## Bowlopolis at the Arena

On May 28 the Arena delivers a night of Bowlopolis entertainment for the whole family. Enjoy funny characters, DVD giveaways, songs and competitions. Call 634-8257.

## SAS summer camp registration set June 1

Summer Adventure Sensation, the School Age

Services (SAS) Summer Camp Program, will begin open enrollment June 1.

Enrollment will take place at SAS Bldg. 308. Summer camp booklets with a detailed camp description are available at all CYSS locations.

Call 634-8253 for more information.

## Water safety instructor course at Villaggio

Training will be conducted June 8-13 to certify students to teach American Red Cross swim lessons and water safety.

Classes will be held at the Villaggio pool from 5 p.m. until approx. 9 p.m. Mon-Sat. Students must be able to demonstrate American Red Cross level 3 swimming ability. Course costs \$160, which includes materials. For registration and more information, call 634-7453. Signup deadline is June 3.

## Bring Back the 80's

Dig out your old 80's clothes and come sing 80's karaoke at the Arena, May 30 at 9 p.m.

There will be food and drink specials and prizes for best dressed.

## Credit Union closed

All Service Credit Union branch offices will be closed May 25 in observance of Memorial Day. Branch offices will resume normal hours of operation May 26.

## SETAF Soldier, NCO of year feted at banquet

Congratulate the new SETAF Soldier and NCO of the Year and all competitors at 7 p.m. at the May 28 awards banquet. RSVP by May 22 at 635-4770 or [kevin.santos@eur.army.mil](mailto:kevin.santos@eur.army.mil).

## Woodshop class offered May 23

On May 23 a Woodshop 101

class will be offered so that you can learn the basics to build your own projects. The cost is \$50 and it includes supplies and runs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## Retiree Appreciation Day June 12

The garrison's annual Retiree Appreciation Day is set June 12 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Golden Lion Central Processing Facility.

Some of the many services provided to retirees will include:

- Health care services-pharmacy, medical history screening, and cholesterol testing;
- Dental screening and cleaning;
- ID card, passports, and soggiornos;
- Tax information and legal services;
- Religious information and services.

Shuttle service will be available for retirees and family members from the Central Processing Facility, Bldg. 311, to the health and dental clinics from 7:12-11:12 a.m. and from 11:20 a.m. to 3 p.m.

A retiree ceremony and dinner will also take place at Dai Gelosi June 12 at 7 pm. The cost is 25 euro per person.

Call Jack Belme at 634-6467 or 0444-71-6467 for more information.

## Commissary holding weekend case lot sale

The USAG Vicenza Commissary will hold a case lot sale May 30-31.

## Arts & crafts classes

A new series of arts and crafts classes will begin as early as May 23. Visit [www.vicenzamwr.com](http://www.vicenzamwr.com) for more information and dates on the classes: woodworking, framing, pottery, sewing, photography, quilting and more.

Sign up at Bldg. 306, behind the AAFES movie theater.

## Religious activities

### Chaplain Crisis Line

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

### Saturday services

4p.m.: Sacrament of Reconciliation, or by appointment.

5 p.m.: Roman Catholic mass

### Sunday services

9 a.m.: Roman Catholic Mass. Mass is held weekdays at noon.

9 a.m.: Protestant Sunday school and AWANAs (Sept. 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 Jocelyn Cary at 634-7890, 349-385-3476 or [vicecb@yahoo.com](mailto:vicecb@yahoo.com).

### Tuesdays

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

### Wednesdays

Noon: Protestant Men of the Chapel Bible study (at DFAC)

3 p.m.: Praise Dance practice

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

5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice

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

### 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](mailto: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

**May 25** - Memorial Day ceremony at Florence American Cemetery

**May 28** - Asian Pacific Heritage celebrations

**May 29** - Army Kids Strong

**May 29** - Adult college graduation

**June 5** - Friday at 5 p.m. Vicenza High School Graduation at Teatro Olimpico in downtown Vicenza (tickets required)

**June 11** - Army's 234th Birthday, run and cake cutting

**June 11** - Last Day of School

**June 12** - Retiree Appreciation Day

**June 22** - Summer Enrichment program begins. Ends July 7.

**BULLYING HURTS:** The Outlook will publish a series on emotional and physical bullying during the school year. To find out more about bullying, visit [www.stopbullyingnow.hrsa.gov](http://www.stopbullyingnow.hrsa.gov).



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



Photo by Laura Kreider

Soldiers, civilians, and family members kicked off the fun run/walk at Caserma Ederle's North 40 May 16.

## Fun Run - Community members compete in Armed Forces 5K, EFMP run

Story and photo by  
**LAURA KREIDER**  
*Outlook Staff*

Under a beautiful Italian sun, more than 70 community members completed the Armed Forces Day 5K Fun Run/Walk starting and ending on the North 40 at Caserma Ederle May 16.

Several groups, including Soldiers, civilians, students, and family members took part in the spring run sponsored by USAG Vicenza's Sports, Fitness and Aquatics.

"This is probably my last run here,"

said Laura McCracken, who came in first place with a run time of 19:56. McCracken has participated in the run for years and won several times.

"It was a good run and my family supported me," she said. "We will move in a couple months so I wanted to do a good job."

It was certainly the first participation in a run for Noah Nestell, born 11 days before the event.

His father, Sgt. 1st Class Michael Nestell from HHC, 2nd Bn., 503rd Infantry Regiment placed fourth in the event. Nestell's wife, Angela, and pre-

teen daughters Raegan and Kirsten also participated.

"This is my first run I have done with my family," he said. "It is wonderful to get out instead of sitting at the house."

The event was preceded by the Exceptional Family Member Program Fun Run. Forty-eight children, accompanied by their parents, took part in the EFMP run. All the participants received a medal. An award ceremony concluded the event.

For information about the next fun walk/run, call Sports and Fitness at 634-7009.



Photo by Kirk Kauoke

Capt. Stephanie Feagin (left), the USAG Livorno Headquarters and Headquarters detachment commander, after completing the Pisa Half Marathon May 17 with a run time of 1:30:06. 2nd Lt. Jonathon Krepel (right), 511th MP Platoon, also participated.

## Darby Soldier wins Pisa half marathon

By **JOYCE COSTELLO**  
*USAG Livorno Public Affairs*

Army Capt. Stephanie Feagin, USAG Livorno Headquarters and Headquarters detachment commander, was the first woman to cross the Pisa half-marathon finish line with a run time of 1 hour, 30 minutes, 6 seconds May 17.

Feagin, who has represented her unit on their Army 10-miler team over the years, decided to increase her race distances to the half marathon category.

"This was the first half marathon I have ever run and because it was an Italian race, I wasn't sure if 13.1 miles equaled 27 kilometers," said Feagin. "I asked an Italian man running by me at the 18 kilometer mark and he assured me that it was only 21 kilometers."

Despite the language barriers, Feagin said it was a great experience.

"There were so many people asking me where I was from and cheering me on; the Italian man I asked directions from ran the last three kilometers with me and kept pushing me on and encouraging me when all I wanted to do was puke," said Feagin. "When I crossed the finish line, I thanked God for the beautiful run and the chance to glorify him."

After the race, she collapsed on the grass in the Field of Miracles, gazed at the Leaning Tower and said "God is the reason I run and He is what keeps me going."

Feagin will complete her military career this summer and is headed to a ministry school in Bolivia afterwards.

## Sports Standings

### Recreational Tennis Match Scores

#### May 14

Jacob Schreiber 8  
vs.  
Eric Smith 0

### Soldiers' Softball May 11

14th Trans: 6 vs. HHD 509th Sig  
Bn: 12  
SETAF: 27 vs. USAHC: 6

#### May 13

USAHC: 8 vs. 14th Trans: 7  
AFN South: 3 vs. SETAF: 29

**NEWS YOU CAN USE:** The Regione Veneto Pesca Provincia has revised the requirements for fishing within the region. There is no longer a lengthy procedure which requires three Italian postal money orders, two ID-size photographs, 160 euro, and a trip to their offices in Vicenza to obtain the fishing permit.

The new simplified procedure (for US Citizen Non-Residents of Italy) requires the completion of one Vaglia Postale (Postal Money Order) for the payment of Euro 8.52.

For more fishing information, call ODR at 634-7453 or Dick Boudreau at 335-6101488.

### Flag football league

Enrollment opens June 1 and runs until June 18. Practices begin June 22. The league is for children ages 9-18 and costs \$36. Call 634-6151 for information or enroll at CYS Services Central Registration office in the Davis Family & Soldier Readiness Center.

### Italian vs. American ladies basketball

Ladies Sports, Fitness and Aquatics program is looking for ladies over 35 to participate in a basketball game with host nation ladies May 31 at 3 p.m. Call 634-7009 to sign up.

### Get your sports gear at Outdoor Recreation

You can get your gear at ODR when you sign up for sporting events and trips.

ODR now offers dive gear, paintball markers and snowboard pants for purchase. Call 634-7453.

### Swim team coaches needed

The Mako Sharks community swim team is looking for adult volunteers interested in coaching a competitive swim season through out the summer and/or fall 2009-2010.

If you would like to spend time mentoring children between ages 6-19, contact Cindi Unger at [cindi.unger@us.army.mil](mailto:cindi.unger@us.army.mil) or Arlana Young at [arlanayoung@hotmail.com](mailto:arlanayoung@hotmail.com).

Swim season for the PO team begins June 6 with swimmer assessments at the outdoor pool in Villaggio.

### Softball teams forming

On June 2 at 6 p.m., the Sports office will hold a meeting for interested coaches and players. Call 634-7009.

### Memorial Day softball tournament

Sign up to join the Memorial Day Softball Tournament May 22-24. Call 634-7009.

### Youth soccer enrollment

CYSS announces early bird enrollment for Youth Soccer - June 1-5.

To enroll at this time, you must show proof that you will not be in Vicenza during the regular enrollment period - July 13-Aug. 7. Call 634-6151.

### Aqua aerobics instructor needed

The USAG Vicenza Sport and Fitness Office is looking for certified aqua aerobics instructors.

Call Joe Reeder at 634-5181 or 0444-71-5181.