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## Task Force Rock in Taliban's backyard



Scouts from 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry (Airborne), react as villagers below run after spotting the Soldiers moving on the hillside during Operation Destined Strike in Chowkay Valley, Afghanistan Aug. 22.

Story and photo by  
Sgt. Brandon Aird  
173rd ABCT Public Affairs

### KUNAR PROVINCE, Afghanistan

The tense paratroopers and Afghan National Army Soldiers sat in silence surrounded by darkness.

The previous hours were spent huddled together rehearsing the mission, "Destined Strike," which was to be an air-assault into the Taliban's backyard.

The whoop, whoop, whoop of the CH-47 Chinook helicopter's rotor blades reverberated in the Soldiers' ears drowning out any other sound. Some of the Soldiers said last minute prayers while others day dreamed of loved ones back home. Squad leaders made last minute checks in the darkness.

When the Chinook landed all thoughts turned to the task at hand. The Soldiers ran down the ramp onto a quiet, moon-lit mountain

above the Chowkay Valley in Kunar province. The mountain rises over 7,000 feet above sea level.

The Taliban's biggest advantage in past fire fights has been their ability to dominate the high ground, but not this time.

Soldiers from the 2nd Platoons of Able, Chosen and Destined Companies, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry (Airborne), all members of Task Force Rock and the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, along with elements from the 2nd Kandak, 201st Corps, launched Operation Destined Strike Aug. 21-25, according to Capt. Michael T. Jackson, Destined Co. commander.

"We came here to show the local populace that coalition forces aren't afraid to come into the Chowkay Valley," said 1st Lt. Kareem F. Hernandez, Able Co. 2nd Platoon leader.

After the initial insertion, the Soldiers pulled security and waited

for daybreak.

During the night, they searched with night vision devices for 15 individuals spotted earlier near their position by an unmanned aerial vehicle.

Once dawn broke, the Soldiers and ANA put their gear-laden rucksacks on, and broke trail down the mountain to the first farming village. The village and fields were hand cut out of the mountain side.

"I was kind of surprised," said Hernandez when asked about the first villager he talked to. "It was the first time in this country I had someone admit he knew who the Taliban were."

"He showed me where they had been coming through to attack us. I've never had that happen before. They always act like they have no clue what I'm talking about," Hernandez said.

Hernandez learned the Taliban in the area were from the Korengal

Valley. The trip from the Korengal Valley to the Chowkay Valley takes the insurgents two to three hours according to the local villager.

As 2nd Platoon, Able Co. continued to the next village rain started falling from the sky along with bolts of lightning.

However, not all of the thunder claps were lightning strikes. During the storm Taliban extremists had attacked the 2nd Platoon, Able Co. landing zone, which was now occupied by Jackson and an overwatch element.

"They took small arms-fire and two RPG's from the northwest," said Hernandez.

In response, small-arms, 120mm mortars and 155mm artillery were fired at the Taliban positions. Four 500-pound bombs were dropped from fighter jets ending any plans the Taliban had to move Jackson from his overwatch position.

After the short firefight, Hernandez's platoon and 2nd Platoon, Chosen Co., spent the next few days moving to their extraction point for pick up by a helicopter.

On its way, Hernandez's platoon suffered three heat casualties. The difficult terrain, extreme weather conditions, and carrying extra ammunition, food and water was having its toll on the Soldiers.

When one Soldier fell out another picked up his gear while the Soldier recovered and was examined by a medic.

But, after five days on the mountain, every Soldier who jumped out of the helicopter as a part of Operation Destined Strike jumped back on the helicopter without help when the mission was complete.

## Sky Soldiers receive 'love packages'

Story and photo by  
Pfc. Daniel M. Rangel  
22nd Mobile Public Affairs  
Detachment

### FORWARD OPERATING BASE FENTY, Afghanistan

Few things raise the spirits of a Soldier on deployment more than a care package from home. The little things from back in the states are always greatly appreciated and are as good as gold.

Sgt. 1st Class John Davis, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, received 40 care packages to share with his fellow Soldiers at FOB Fenty Aug. 30.

Gracie "Nanny" Brown, 72, of Rising Sun, Md., received funding from her local Veterans of Foreign Wars chapter to purchase and send approximately 300 pounds of items in what she calls "love packages," according to Davis.

The items inside the packages included snacks, personal hygiene products, books and magazines that were distributed by Davis in

the FOB Fenty dining facility during dinner time.

"She just loves the troops," Davis said. "She doesn't call them care packages, she calls them 'love boxes.' She says these boxes are full of love."

Brown first got in contact with Davis through her daughter and the Web site www.anysoldier.com.

"Her daughter started sending me boxes," Davis said. "We exchange e-mails probably two or three times a week."

Davis is appreciative of the support and likes to express his gratitude.

"Anytime somebody sends a package, I send an e-mail [that says] thank you," Davis said.

"She emailed me back asking how many Soldiers [I've] got. And I said I'm at the brigade level, so I said there's a couple of thousand, just joking with her. Before I knew it, I got all this."

Brown and her husband, who they call "Pops," had previously sent Davis a few individual boxes



Sgt. 1st Class John Davis, distributes items from packages during dinner at the Forward Operating Base Fenty dining facility Aug. 30.

and does this for a number of Soldiers overseas.

"She's an awesome woman," Davis said. "She's got about nine different Soldiers throughout Iraq and Afghanistan that she sends packages to."

"It's amazing," said Pfc. Jessica Campos of the 173rd ABCT as she looked through the packages.

Brown represents only one of many people back home who has been supporting the troops out here overseas.



# Garrison News

## National Disabilities Awareness month essay and poster contest

Awareness Month by President George W. Bush and the United States Congress, and will be celebrated in hundreds of communities and thousands of classrooms in nationwide observances. The 2007 theme is "Workers with Disabilities: Talent for a Winning Team."

To give students a deeper appreciation and understanding of the capabilities and skills of people with disabilities, the U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza EEO Office is sponsoring an essay and poster contest for Vicenza Elementary School students.

**Prizes:** Prizes will be given for first and second place for best essay and first and second place for best poster in each of two categories: Grades 3-4 and Grades 5-6.

Winners in each category will receive an award certificate and a U.S. savings bond/cash prize. The winning essays and their authors will be recognized at the Disability Awareness Month program on Wednesday, Oct. 31 at the Post Theater. The posters will be displayed at various locations on the installation.

**Essay options:**

- Write about our disabled veterans, using the theme "Inclusion: Today and Tomorrow."
- Interview a child or adult with a disability and describe his/her experiences overcoming their disabilities and the attitudes of others
- Write about a well known individual/celebrity who has a disability and how that person has impacted the lives of others or the

community

- Write about your own observations or feelings about the abilities of people with disabilities and the challenges and attitudes people with disabilities face.

- Simulate having a disability for three hours at home and write about your experience being disabled.

**Poster options:**

- Artwork that reinforces positive attitudes about people with disabilities, including disabled veterans.

- Show how people with disabilities and people without disabilities are doing things together in the community or school.

- Salute disabled veterans with the theme "Inclusion: Today and Tomorrow."

**Judging:** Winning essays and

posters will be chosen by a panel composed of individuals from the Vicenza community.

All entries will be judged on (1) subject matter, (2) originality, (3) clarity of expression, (4) creativity.

Essays must be at least 100 – 250 words and submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Essay Contest".

Posters must be at least 12 inches by 18 inches and crayons, paint or markers can be used.

Submit the poster and/or essay in a sealed envelope to the Vicenza Elementary School Administration Office by 2 p.m., Friday, Oct. 12.

For more information contact Cindy Pierson, EEO Officer at 634-7976 / cynthia.pierson@us.army.mil or Lizz Gunn, Special Emphasis Program Manager at lizz.gunn@us.army.mil.

Story by Cynthia Pierson, USAG Vicenza, EEO Officer  
Special to the Outlook

October 2007 will be designated as National Disability Employment

# Smoke detectors can save your life

Story by Giancarlo Fattori  
USAG Vicenza Fire Chief

Smoke detectors are a powerful fire safety technology, if you have them. For less than the cost of a dinner at an inexpensive restaurant, smoke detectors cut your chances of death nearly in half.

**Who has smoke detectors?**

If you still don't have smoke detectors, you're part of a small, shrinking, high-risk minority. Six of every seven U.S. households now have at least one smoke detector. Two decades ago, less than 5 percent of households had detectors.

**What are smoke detectors?**

Fire creates many changes in the environment, and each change can be used as a way to detect a fire.

Most home smoke detectors use either ionization or a photoelectric principle. An ionization detector uses a very small quantity of radioactive material to make the air

in the detector conduct electricity. Smoke from a fire will interfere with that electric current and trigger the alarm.

A photoelectric detector uses a tiny light source shining on a light sensitive sensor. Smoke from a fire will interfere with the light and trigger the alarm.

There are many other kinds of detectors, which may be designed to detect high temperatures, rapid changes in temperature or certain gases produced in fires.

But fire protection in a home should start with a system of smoke detectors. You'll want to use specifically labeled units — detectors bearing the mark of an independent testing laboratory.

**How long have smoke detectors been around?**

Home fire detectors have been around for most of the 20th century, since the 1920's, in fact. However, it wasn't until 1970 that the familiar single-station, battery-powered

smoke detector became available.

It took a few more years of testing to show that you could protect a typical home with just one unit per floor. Once the standards reflected those new findings, home fire detection was within reach of every pocketbook. The resulting burst of sales and growth of usage was everything we might have hoped.

**Why smoke detectors?**

In a fire, smoke and deadly gases tend to spread farther and faster than heat. That's the reason why fire deaths due to smoke inhalation outnumber fire deaths due to burns two to one.

Nearly two decades ago, tests on the speed of warning given by smoke and heat detectors for many types of typical home fires showed smoke detectors consistently give first warning, often by enough of a margin to make a major difference in your chances in escaping alive. That's why your basic protection

should consist of smoke detectors, with heat detectors reserved for optional extra protection in areas like kitchens, attics, and garages, where smoke detectors are too susceptible to nuisance alarms.

**How many smoke detectors do you need?**

For minimum protection of household fire warning equipment, the most widely accepted standard on what you need, requires smoke detectors outside each sleeping area and on each level of the home, including the basement if you have one. (If you sleep with your doors closed, consider installing a detector in each bedroom, too.)

The same tests that showed how effective smoke detectors are also showed that you need every level protection to give enough warning no matter where the fire begins. In new homes, standards require hard-wired detectors that are interconnected so that all the horns will sound whenever one detector




Check your smoke detector at least twice each year. (Photo by Spc. Kathryn Jorgenson)

discovers a fire. The reason is the same, to buy extra protection was literally time for escape when even seconds could mean the difference between life and death.


## Speak Out

"It has been six years since the events of 9/11. How did these events change your life?"




**Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Bill Phillips,**  
USAG Vicenza Chaplain

"Perhaps I was naïve, but since 9/11 I think I have become far less trusting of people. I can no longer look at a stranger in the same innocent way, and I don't like how I have changed."




**Spc. Brigida I. Sanchez,**  
Command Information AFN

"9/11 was a realization of our countries vulnerability, our ability to put aside our internal differences and act as a community, and most importantly the need to react to conflict with temperance and right mind."




**Samantha Price,**  
VHS Senior

"When 9/11 happened my life was thrown into a whirlwind of base changes and advanced security. The biggest impact on me though was the amount of time I spent with Soldiers and the change from peace to war."



**Adriana Espinoza,**  
VHS Senior

"The events on Sept. 11 changed not only my life, but the lives of all the youth. Before that teens didn't have to worry about terrorism. Now, it's always in the back of their minds. They have to be aware."



**Maj. Carl Fehrenbacher,**  
HSC SETAF

"As a member of the U.S. Armed Forces, I went from a peacetime Army to a wartime one in a split second. That was a tremendous change."



# Garrison news

## Part Two: The real costs of drinking, driving

Story and photo by  
Spc. Kathryn Jorgenson  
SETAF Public Affairs

The last time we heard Sgt. Smith had gone home after processing at the MP station. He had been in an accident and was found to have been driving under the influence of alcohol on Friday night.

He was told to report back to the MP's on Saturday with his first line supervisor to be read his rights and make a statement.

After a long night and little sleep, Smith waits for his buddy to come and pick him up so he can report to the MP station where his supervisor is there waiting for him. His friend looks a little annoyed that he had to go to post this morning.

Once they arrive at the MP station Smith goes in to face his supervisor. His supervisor looks at him and says, "I'm glad you are okay, but you know very well that things could have turned out different. I never want to lose another Soldier because of drinking and driving. You know that this will not be taken lightly by the command or by me."

With his head hung low Smith responded, "I know, my Mom won't take it too lightly either."

Once checked in, Smith is required to submit to yet another breathalyzer test and he passes with a .000. Now an MP reads him his rights and asks if he would like to make a statement.

At this point Smith decided to not say anything until he has had the chance to speak with a lawyer from Trial Defense Services. He is informed that his license will be suspended for no less than one year, and he will have a copy of the police report in approximately seven days.

After they leave the MP station his supervisor informs Smith that the company commander is ordering him to move into the barracks on post. As of Monday morning Smith will have his off-post pass privileges revoked, he is ordered to not consume any alcohol and his leave is cancelled. Anything he will need to do off post will be by NCO escort.

Smith's supervisor tells him to go back to his apartment and gather



Riding everywhere on a bike is just a small piece of what you will have to pay if you drink and drive. Think before you drink.

any belongings he will need; Monday he will be residing on post permanently.

Smith missed his flight home and was unable to get the money refunded for his airfare. The disappointment of his family over not being able to see him before his deployment is overwhelming. Worse than losing the \$600 for the ticket was listening to his mother crying, knowing that she may never see her son again. Even worse is knowing that this heartache was because he made a decision to drink and drive.

Monday morning Smith goes to PT formation and notices how the other Soldiers are looking at him. It's a combination of disappointment and curiosity. News travels fast on a small post like this and it looks as though the entire company has already heard about what happened.

The Soldiers in Smith's squad look at him today with much less respect they had for him on Friday morning. He is suddenly not the leader they thought he was.

Reporting for duty, Smith is told to start talking to housing about breaking his lease.

He will also need to go enroll in

the Army Substance Abuse Program so he can start the process of learning why he chose to drive that night and someday regain his driving privileges. In this program he will be subjected to urinalysis testing to ensure that he is abstaining from the use of alcohol. If he fails this program, he could be chaptered from the Army.

He also needs to sign for a key to his room in the barracks.

The service that towed Smith's vehicle from the accident is charging him \$220 for the tow and storage of his vehicle. The radiator will need to be replaced and several of the hoses were damaged. The front bumper and hood need to be replaced, and there may be damage to the chassis as well. The initial estimate to get his car fixed is \$1,800.

Smith realizes he has a lot of running around he needs to do; with his driving privileges revoked he has to find another mode of transportation. Asking friends and co-workers for rides will get tiring so he decides he will need to buy a bicycle. The combined cost of the bike, lock and helmet came to a little over \$300. So far this DUI has cost him about \$2,920.

Normally Soldiers go to the housing office to move off post. Moving on post from an apartment means only one thing; someone got into trouble and their off post living privileges have been revoked.

Smith starts to make the many appointments he will need in order to clear his apartment. The first is to have his government furniture inspected and then picked up. Second are his household goods, and then an appointment with his landlord who will now have to honor a commitment to break a Soldier's lease early. The landlord will now lose money and have to find a new tenant.

This DUI seems to be affecting people everywhere Smith turns.

Going back to the office Smith informs his supervisor of the dates and times of his upcoming housing appointments. He will need someone to take him back and forth to his apartment so he can pack and clean it.

The office is busy this week and his coworkers are starting to resent the extra work they have to do in order to make mission with Smith unable to carry his share. Not only have his actions resulted in a loss of respect, they are now starting to

effect his mission. He is unable to perform his duties due to appointments and his coworkers are letting him know by their silence how much it is all bothering them.

At the ASAP office Smith is given paperwork to fill out describing his history of drug abuse. Now it seems he is being treated as a drug addict. Having to answer severely personal questions about his habits during his life, he is starting to realize that maybe his "having fun" has been effecting his life and those he loves for a lot longer than he had thought. Not many people are forced to take such an intimate inventory of their behaviors unless they find themselves in trouble.

Maybe this phase of his trial will have some benefit to his life.

For the rest of the week, Smith will get himself settled in to his new room and start to move out of his apartment. He will spend every conversation he has discussing what happened, what he was thinking, and what his plans are for his future.

The questions will not stop, and neither will the silent looks from people who know that he is a drunk driver.

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## Information please

### How to get the numbers you need

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Community members who don't have access to official e-mail often find it frustrating when it comes to finding the telephone number for a specific office.

Here are several ways to get help:

1. If you need directory assistance and have access to a DSN (official) telephone, dial '0' or

113 from any official phone.

2. If you are off post, dial 0444-71-7111. This will send you to the directory assistance operators. Note: When you dial this number, you will not hear the telephone ring. Do not hang up. The operators will answer the phone as soon as they can. The Switching Control Center is aware of this problem and is trying to fix it.

3. The USAG Web site: [www.usag.vicenza.army.mil](http://www.usag.vicenza.army.mil) has

listings and links to many of the most-requested telephone numbers.

As a reminder, all numbers that have a 634 as the prefix may only be called from on post. To call that number from off post, dial 0444-71 and then the last four digits of the number.





# Community events

# Hooah Rock Day

## 2-503rd spouses taste Army life

Photo feature by Gary L. Kieffer  
Outlook Staff

Saturday saw the North-40 alive with the shouts of nearly 50 spouses of Soldiers from the 2nd Battalion, 503rd Airborne, 173rd Brigade Combat Team.

“We wanted to bring together the wives of our deployed Soldiers and let them get a taste of what their husbands go through every day,” said Cristin Pike, 173rd ABCT family readiness support assistant. “It takes their minds off things, builds morale and fosters new friendships in the community.”



(Above) Amanda Carey holds the feet of Jennifer Rodriguez during the sit-ups portion of the physical fitness test.



(Above) Jennifer Mickem tosses a practice grenade onto the target.



(Above, left) Bobbie Thyng is the first woman out-of-the-door of the 34-foot jump tower. (Above) The spouses enjoyed a lunch selection of various MREs during the day. (Far left) Lauren Kearney shows her unconventional form as she practices exiting the “aircraft.” (Left) Staff Sgt. James Christy, SETAF G-3 and Sgt. 1st Class Michael Arroyo, 173rd ABCT, show the proper means of checking the risers on a parachute when jumping from an aircraft. The event included a PT test to Army standards, jump tower, first aid and M-16 training.



(Above) The PT test included a two-mile run. Here, the spouses start off on the first of eight laps around the track to complete the run portion of the physical training test.



# Community events

## All the worlds a stage at Soldiers' Theatre

Anyone with a love of sports and Shakespeare will want to attend *Billy Ball*, the opening show of Soldiers' Theatre's 2007-2008 season.

Featuring a cast of seven athletically funny actors, the show is Vicenza's entry into the IMCOM-E One Act Play Festival.

Tickets go on sale beginning Sept. 11, for performances on Sept. 28-29 at 7:30 p.m.

Box office hours are Tuesday through Friday from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for students. For more information, call 634-7281.



### Camp Darby Events

#### U.S.A. Street Fair

To be held at the U.S. Consulate General of Florence, Lungarno Vespucci 38, 50123 Firenze, Sept. 15, 2-6 p.m.

This outdoor block party is for English-speaking oldtimers and newcomers.

Representatives from many organizations and institutions with services for the English-speaking community will be present.

There will also be a kiddie corner with activities for children, as well as entertainment for everyone.

#### Darby Community Club

##### Hispanic heritage celebration

Sept. 23. The fun starts at 5:30 p.m. with a children's event that will include piñatas, games, contests, prizes and more. Afterwards, dance to the Latin sounds of Hot Molina starting at 7 p.m.

**Free spaghetti dinner.** Enjoy a free dinner on the DCC, Sept. 26.

**Texas Hold'Em Nite.** Sept. 28, 6:30 p.m.

**Weds.-Double-Dog Day,** buy one hot dog get the 2nd free.

**Thurs.-Gamer night:** Xbox 360, Dominoes, Cards -Get Your Game On!

**Fri. -TGIFridays.** Every last Friday of the month is Texas Hold'Em Nite.

#### ITR Trips

**I Gigli Mall,** Sept. 1 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., \$20 per person. With over 100 stores.

**Aqua Village in Cecina,** Sept. 8, 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m., \$15 per person, plus entrance fee.

The Acqua Village in Cecina Mare features three water slides, wave pool, children's pool, soaped soccer, play room and a special area for kids under 12 years of age.

##### Tuscan ceramic shopping

Sept. 15, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., \$15 per person. Travel to the lovely town of Montelupo Fiorentino.

Ceramic products from this region are highly sought after.

##### Cavallino Matto Park

Sept. 22 & 29, 6:30 a.m.-7 p.m., cost is \$20 for adults, \$15 for children, plus admission fees.

The biggest amusement park in central Italy, with roller coasters, kiddie rides and live shows.

**San Marino,** Sept. 29, 6:30 a.m.-8 p.m., \$35 for adults, \$29 for children, 3-10.

San Marino claims to be the oldest republic in the world, and certainly it's the smallest country you're likely to visit; the total area is just 24 square miles

##### New at ITR, Hotel Booking Service.

The database holds more than 40,000 hotels in all price categories everywhere: Italy, Europe, the USA and Asia.

For more info or to make a reservation, call ITR at DSN 633-7589/8231 or CIV 00 39 050 54 7589/8231

## Checking for safe child seats



Chiara Chelossi, certified child safety seat inspector, ensures a tight fit between the child safety seat and the vehicle seat, also checks that the seat belt is locked properly. The best place to locate a child car seat is the back seat, in this case, since there were already three children's car seats installed, the rear-facing seat was put in a front seat. Note that in this case the passenger air bag must be deactivated.

Story and photo by Chiara Mattiolo  
USAG Livorno Public Affairs

Child safety seats are required by law because they provide the

best protection for infants and young children. However, correctly installing a child seat can be challenging. On average 80 percent of child car seats are installed incorrectly. To help parents in

keeping their children safe, the USAG Livorno Safety Office offered a free child safety seat inspection on Aug. 30. Chiara Chelossi, safety and occupational health specialist, USAG Livorno Safety Office, is a certified child safety seat inspector, and with the support of another certified inspector, Raymond Hernandez of the USAG Vicenza Health Clinic, the two were able to perform free inspections for the Darby Community.

"Before taking the four day course to be certified as a child safety seat inspector, I wasn't aware of how many important details you should really take into consideration in order to ensure your child's safety in a car seat," Chelossi said.

"Most of the Italian vehicles do not have a built-in locking mechanism for the seat belts," said Chelossi.

"In this case, to ensure that the belts are always tight, a locking clip is required and during the inspection, free locking clips were provided to the parent in order to

secure the seat belt" she explained "I was surprised of how many things I was not aware of, things like not letting the children play with hard toys or other objects, it is just something you don't think about and really can become very harmful in case of an accident," said Janine Wick, USAG Livorno PAIO.

"Now I feel more conscious and confident when I drive with my children in the car," Wick said.

"We received great information on how the belt should be tied up and how the straps should be at or above the shoulder level," she added.

"The goal of this inspection was to ensure that children of the community are as safe as possible in the event of an accident and to ensure parents know how to properly install and adjust their child's seat as their children grow," said Randall Ross, USAG Livorno Safety Manager.

For those who were not able to attend the child car safety inspection on Aug. 30, inspections can be made upon appointment by calling Chiara Chelossi at 633-7841.

## B.O.S.S. big winner



Sgt. Wanita Wilson

Story by Joyce Costello  
USAG Livorno Public Affairs

The Annual Conference for Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers, Installation Management Command-Europe, was held in Schwzingen, Germany.

For Sgt. Wanita Wilson, USAG Livorno, DHR, the BOSS representative from Camp Darby, it was a tough challenge, but she was trying for the third consecutive year to bring the first place trophy to Camp Darby.

This year Camp Darby won 1st place for best event and 1st place for best small installation.

As far as winning best small installation, it was no surprise when

Wilson recounted some of the impact the local BOSS program had within the community.

"We are involved in every community event; we ran the Halloween haunted houses at the fall festival, helped put on the Easter egg hunt, and ran a booth at the Italian-American summer carnival. We have even had members volunteer at the Florence-American International Bazaar to help raise money for local charity groups. In addition, we helped redo the beach and pool area which saved the community thousands of dollars," said Wilson.

Community service is only one pillar of the BOSS program. It also focuses on improving morale and welfare and provide recreational trips to exotic places like Cinque Terra, Elba Island, Abetone ski

slopes, Venice, Rome and wine tasting at the famous Chianti vineyards.

"Being involved with BOSS at Camp Darby is a great way to get out of the barracks and see not only Italy, but all over Europe," said Wilson.

"When we're not exploring the world around us, we are renovating the boss lounge. We are currently upgrading the lounge with the newest games on the market, an oven and computers. Moreover, we are the only Army installation in Italy where troops barracks have access to the internet. BOSS definitely keeps me busy and helps me to not miss home as much."

Wilson adds that Camp Darby BOSS members will celebrate the win at the European conference by taking a trip to Malta.



# Out & About

By Dorothy Spagnuolo

## Palio in Asti

The Palio of this town, to be held on Sept. 16, is a very hard race where horses are mounted bareback. The race dates back to 1275, when Asti, a powerful and independent city, was universally renowned for its enterprising merchants and its experienced bankers.

On the day there will be 21 horses and jockeys representing their respective district. More than 1,200 people dressed in medieval clothes and many inhabitants of the surrounding districts take part in this event.

Program: 11 a.m.: exhibition by flag throwers; noon: formal registration of jockeys and horses at the town hall; 2:15 p.m.: from Piazza Cattedrale start of the historical procession which re-enacts scenes of medieval life; 4 p.m.: Palio bareback horse-race which consists of three preliminary heats in which seven horses compete, with nine going on to the final; 5 p.m.: flag throwing display; 6 p.m.: final race and awarding of the Palio to the winner.

Check the Web site [www.palio.asti.it](http://www.palio.asti.it) for directions and ticket cost. Don't forget your camera. While in Asti it may be worth trying one of the areas delicious *bonet*, a sort of chocolate pudding, and the *amoretti*, fragrant almond cookies soaked in a goblet of Asti Spumante.

## Rice festival

The 41<sup>th</sup> Rice Festival in the town of Isola della Scala, province of Verona, takes place Sept. 14 until Oct. 7. On weekdays, including Saturday the food tents, holding 5,000, are open: noon-2 p.m. and 6:30-midnight, Sundays: noon-midnight.

Last year, during the same period over 280,000 dishes were served.

There will also be a market selling packages of rice, *Riso Vialone Nano Veronese* which is grown in the area.

During the rice festival you will find exhibitions open and popular music groups playing at 9 p.m. every evening.

Directions for Isola della Scala: leave the A4 autostrada at Verona Sud (south) follow signs for Modena - SS-12 the town is located 18km from the autostrada exit.

## Events in the area

Vicenza in the main square *Piazza dei Saporì* on Sept. 15 and 16 at 10 a.m. each day you can find stalls selling food items;

Vicenza exhibition being held in Palazzo Leoni Montanari, Contra' Santa Corona entitled *Arte paleocristiana tra Roma e Bisanzio*, early Christian art between Rome and Byzantium, find over ninety works of art to include frescos, sculptures in marble and bronze, silver and glass.

Open Tuesdays through Sundays until Nov. 18 from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. each day.

The annual market *Fiera del Soco* in Grisignano, a very large festival with hundreds of vendor booths, exhibitions, carnival rides, food booths/tents is drawing to a close. Find it open on Sept. 11, 12 from 6 p.m. to late in the evening. Grisignano is located 16 km from Vicenza.

Marostica in the *chess square* on Sept. 16-15 the market of biological products which will take place all day.

Possagno, province of Treviso parade of majorettes on Sept. 16 at 5 p.m. led by two bands from the local area who will also give a concert in the main square.

Gardaland till the end of September, a chance to go on fantasy car used by the Fantastic

Four, four people can fit in the car that is six meters long and about three-and-one-half meters wide. The park is open from 9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

## Fast historical cars

Historical car fans will enjoy the 31st *Mostra Scambio di Imola* that takes place Sept. 14-16 inside the famous autodromo *Dino & Enzo Ferrari* race track and is organized by the Club Romagnolo Auto Moto d'Epoca.

This is the main rendezvous for all those who love to barter vintage cars, motorcycles, bicycles, accessories and spare parts. Open 6 a.m.-6 p.m. each day, entrance fee is seven euro. For further information and directions check out [www.mostrascambioimola.it](http://www.mostrascambioimola.it).

If don't want to spend the entire day looking at cars or buying parts, the Republic of San Marino is located about an hours drive away.

## Aquarium in Genova

The aquarium in Genova is one of Europe's largest aquariums and amongst Italy's most popular cultural attractions. To see all the tanks that are set up with the 9,400

square-meter area it will take you, at least two hours.

The Aquarium itself, which opened it's doors in 1993, is the work of an American architect, Peter Chermayeff and Italian Renzo Piano.

The aquarium is opens 9 a.m. - 11 p.m., the last entry time of 9:30 p.m. Entrance fee: adults: 15 euro, children 4 to 12 years old: nine euro; children under three: free.

Directions by car: exit the autostrada at Genova ovest (west), follow signs for *Acquario*. There is a parking area outside the Aquarium but it only holds 155 cars. Other information see the web site: [www.acquario.ge.it](http://www.acquario.ge.it)

## High school musical - The Ice Tour

Disney's High School Musical: The Ice Tour is the one and only fusion of songs, dance and team-spirited fun inspired by the smash hit. Get'cha head in the game and celebrate the sounds, the songs, the bop and the pop in this all-new ice show starring a cast of world-class skaters.

To be held in the *PalaSharp Milan* Nov. 28-Dec. 2 tickets already available on line from

[www.vivaticket.it](http://www.vivaticket.it)

## Ferrari fans

Ferrari enthusiasts can visit the Ferrari Galleria (gallery) located in the small town of Maranello, just south of the city of Modena on the street Via Dino Ferrari. This modern two story building houses exhibits of both racing and road cars.

If you go on a weekday there is a chance you will find it is less crowded, and there is also a possibility of being there while they're testing their Formula 1 cars at the nearby track.

The gallery, and gift store is open everyday from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Entrance fee: adults 12 euro; children 6-10 years of age eight euro. For information and directions go to [www.galleria.ferrari.com/GalleriaFerrari](http://www.galleria.ferrari.com/GalleriaFerrari)

## Balloon festival

The international ballooning and air show at Castiraga Vidardo, province of Lodi will take place on Sept. 15-16. Ten balloon teams are invited to this rally that will see the take off at 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 15 and at 7 a.m. and again at 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 16.



The entrance of *Villa Vo' Pindemonte* located in Isola della Scala. Very popular in the area is the *Risotto all'Isolana*, a recipe that highlights the raw qualities of the local rice and also adds some ingredients such as pork loin, lean veal and ground cinnamon. (Photo by Laura Kreider, Outlook Staff)

## Classified Ads

**NOTE: The Outlook does not take classifieds and we only print ads placed during the last week.**

**Sellers must place ads on [www.vicenzamwr.com](http://www.vicenzamwr.com).**

**Buyers must go to the Vicenza MWR Web site, [www.vicenzamwr.com](http://www.vicenzamwr.com) for details about items for sale below.**

Toshiba 27" TV: 110v, \$50.  
Yard care worker: Will pay \$60 a mo. Needed through June 2008.  
Fans: Have 3, \$10 each.  
Wanted: Large outdoor planters.  
Small dog wanted: Must be good with kids.  
Transformers: Have several/ different prices.  
Dresser: Nine-drawer dresser fair condition. Make offer  
Girls' Cork Wedge Sandal size 4, never worn. Make offer.  
PCS sale: All sorts of items/ prices.  
Space Heaters: Have three, \$10 each.  
Wanted: Book - Policing America: Methods, Issues, Challenges by Kenneth Peak.  
Couch: 50 to 70 years old, hand made. 500 euros.

2005 Ford Mustang GT convertible: Loaded. \$26,000.  
Tanning bed: Sun Dash Wolff. Excellent condition. 1,200 euro.  
Wall Bracket for flat LCD TV - \$70.  
Bloch ballet shoes: Pink size 2.5 B \$20.  
2000 Volkswagon Polo: Good condition. 4,500 euro.  
38" Wrought iron towel/blanket rack: \$50.  
1994 Fiat Panda: Great condition. 650 euros.  
Thermos: 2 qt, like new. \$5  
BMX Bike: Die Hard. \$25.  
1992 Acura Vigor GS: 4-door sedan, excellent. \$4000.  
Xbox set: Two controllers, steering wheel, racing game. \$135, OBO.  
Netgear Wireless pci card: \$5.  
Water dispenser: Holds 5 gallon jugs. Heats and cools water. 220v, \$50.  
Elettrozeta brand stove/oven: 16 mos old. 100 euro.  
1998 F150 Ford Pick-up 4 X 4, X-cab: Excellent condition with hard cover. \$11,000, OBO.  
Apple I-Pod Video 30GB: Make Offer.  
1998 Ford Expedition XLT:

Great condition. \$6,180.  
Acoustic/Electric Guitar: Excellent condition. \$200.  
Guinea pig needs good home. Has cage and is sweet.  
Hot/cool water dispenser wanted.  
AFN decoder wanted.  
'91 Lancia Dedra 1.8: Many new parts. \$1,100.  
Bedroom set: Bed and dressers. 400 euros.  
Text book: Looking for UMUC textbook for Biol 101.  
1990 Lexus 400: US specs, loaded. \$7,500.  
Tv Stand, end table and cupboard: handmade. English. \$350.  
Womens pants: Size 9-10, black leather, \$100, OBO. Size 2, red PVC pants. \$50. Size 9-10, vinyl pants \$50. OBO.  
Antique vanity: good condition. \$300, OBO.  
Goth Boots: Size 7 mens/9 women. \$100, OBO.  
Shoes: Assorted sizes/prices.  
Baby crib, mattress and toys: Call for details.  
Wanted: Patio furniture.  
Tavern-style table: Solid pine. \$200.

## Now Showing

### Caserma Ederle Theater

Sept. 11	CLOSED	
Sept. 12	Live Free or Die Hard (PG-13)	6 p.m.
Sept. 13	License to Wed (PG-13)	6 p.m.
Sept. 14	DOA: Dead or Alive (PG-13)	6 p.m.
Sept. 15	The Brothers Solomon (R) (1st Run)	9 p.m.
Sept. 16	DOA: Dead or Alive (PG-13)	3 p.m.
Sept. 16	The Brothers Solomon (R) (1st Run)	6 p.m.
Sept. 16	Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix (PG-13)	3 p.m.
Sept. 16	The Brothers Solomon (R) (1st Run)	6 p.m.
Sept. 17-18	CLOSED	

### Camp Darby Theater

Sept. 13	DOA: Dead or Alive (PG-13)	6 p.m.
Sept. 14	The Invasion (PG-13) (1st Run)	6 p.m.
Sept. 15	Live Free or Die Hard (PG-13)	6 p.m.
Sept. 16	Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix (PG-13)	2 p.m.

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

The Ederle Theatre box office opens one hour prior to show time.

### Movie Synopsis

**THE BROTHERS SOLOMON** - Will Forte, Will Arnett. Good-hearted and well-meaning, but socially inept and clueless about the ways of women, the brothers Solomon would like to grant their dad his dying-wish - and provide him with a grandchild. Rated R (language, sexual content) 91 min



# Community notes

## Fuel coupon turn-in

Fiscal Year End for 2007 is almost here. Units/Sections assigned or using TMP vehicles are reminded that current fuel coupons will expire on Sept. 30.

Any unused fuel coupons and completed AE Form 710-2As, should be turned in to the TMP no later than Oct. 3, 2007.

Unused fuel coupons must be turned in with the booklet cover or memorandum stating under what circumstances the booklet cover was lost. (Para. 8-10c AR 710-2)

All outstanding FY 07 coupons issued for a vehicle must be received prior to the issue of FY 08 coupons.

For more information contact the Transportation Motor Pool at 634-6915/6916.

## Vicenza Community Club

The Vicenza Military Spouses and Civilians Club is changing to reflect our diverse community. The VMSCC will now be known as the Vicenza Community Club. In celebration, the VCC will give \$200 to each of our FRGs.

Applications for membership will be available at the Thrift Shop. The annual cost of membership is \$15 per person.

The VCC donates thousands of dollars in college scholarships to its members and their families. They have monthly luncheons, mini-clubs for fitness and leisure activities, and low cost childcare for most functions.

## 200 volunteers needed

The Vicenza Community Club needs your help for this year's Festa Italia Bazaar Sept. 22-23. We need 200 volunteers to make the bazaar a success.

Volunteering has many benefits, including free childcare. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, contact Sandy Weik at (san1127@hotmail.com) or Karen Smith at (smithfamily80@hotmail.com).

## Club Beyond

Club Beyond will kick-off Sept. 17 at the Vicenza movie theater beginning at 5:30 p.m.. This is for teens, families and anyone interested in supporting teenagers.

Regular meetings begin Sept. 24. The high school students will officially start and end from 6p.m.-7 p.m. at the teen center.

Middle school students meet in the afternoon 1-4:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Club Beyond is also looking for adult volunteers. Call Jocelyn Cary, at 349.385.3476.

## Vicenza library closure

Phase 1: Sept. 10-15. Entire library closed. Carpet is being replaced throughout.

Phase 2: Sept. 17-21. Limited services will be available. Circulation desk will be open (DVDs can be checked out, access to books in some areas will be limited. Internet computers will be available. Homework Center and Children's area will be available.

## Art Center closure

The Art Center will close for two weeks, from Sept. 3-16 and re-open

Sept. 19 in Building 249, the outdoor recreation building. custom framing, craft parties, and class registration will be available in the temporary location.

The woodshop remains in the current location in bldg. 136 during this phase of renovation.

Hours for the art center and the woodshop will be Wed.-Fri. from 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Sat.-Sun. from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. both locations will be closed Mon. and Tues. Free Family Art Day

Sept. 15 from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., children ages 2-12 years, and learn some new ways to relate to them.

There are two different age groups; 2-4 year olds will play from 10-11 a.m. and 5-12 year olds will play from 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Childcare is available if you have children in different age groups. Sign up at Central Registration by Sept. 14.

## Passport office relocating

The passport office is relocating from bldg 311 to bldg 28 effective 1 Sept. 07. For more information contact CPF Manager at 634-8706.

## Parking lot closing

All vehicles need to be moved from the parking lots in front of Bldg. 1 by close of business Sept. 6. The parking lot will be close from Sept. 6-12.

Cement pylons will be put around the area so any vehicle left there will be stuck.

## Seeking Artistic Director

The NAF Contracting Office is seeking an Artistic Director to be contracted for one year effective October 2007.

Required qualifications include a minimum of B.A in Theatre, preferred M.A. in music, theatre field. Substantial experience with military community theaters and Soldier entertainment is critical. Call 634-7234 for information.

## CYS Parents' Advisory Group

The next CYS Parents' Advisory Group Meeting is Sept. 19 from noon-1 p.m. at the Davis Soldier & Family Readiness Center. All CYS parents are invited and encouraged to attend. Discussions include CDC renovations, upcoming sports, sports fields, parents' concerns, National Kids Day Sept. 29, and CYS deployment support initiatives and Services, call 634-7219.

## Cooking for Less

Learn secrets of the Italian kitchen and eat better while spending less with this ACS Cooking Class. The class is Sept. 20 from 10 a.m.-noon at the Davis Soldier & Family Readiness Center.

The class will have a cooking demonstration and information on good quality Italian products at a low cost. Call 634-7500 to make your reservation.

## Oktoberfest at Club Veneto

Sept. 22, Club V is hosting a

performance by the band Backroads. The band starts at 8 p.m. It's Oktoberfest on the patio. Call 634-7685 for information.

## Amazing Glaze Ceramics

The Arts & Crafts Center is offering Amazing Glaze Ceramics Sept. 23 from 11 a.m.-noon. Cost of the class is \$8 plus the cost of materials. Amazing Glaze is available for adults and children, and it's a great fun for a parent child team. Sign up by Sept. 21 at the Art Center's new location in Outdoor Rec. Call 634-7074 for details.

## NAF Jobs

A position for budget analyst is open, with DMWR Financial Management Division. The closing date is Sep 13.

There are also a variety of open and continuous intermittent, part-time and full-time positions available to include: bartender, positions with child and youth services, recreation aide at the post gyms, arts and crafts, ITR, Outdoor Recreation, and custodial worker (housekeeping) and desk clerk with Army Lodging.

For detailed information about these and other positions please visit our website at: <http://cpolrhp.belvoir.army.mil/eur/index.htm> or call us at 634-7290/7349.

Our office is located across the street from Gate # 2 on Viale Della Pace. Monday-Friday 9a.m. - 4 p.m. Closed noon - 1p.m. and Thursday mornings.

## ACS in September

September 12, 19 & 26, Battlemind & Financial Readiness Training for Spouses 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

September 4, Personal Finance 3-4 p.m.

September 5, 12, 19 & 26, Play Group, 10-11:30 a.m. in Villaggio, Call 634-7567.

September 5, Employment Readiness During PCS Transition, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

English as a Second Language classes are offered to family members and cover Basic Conversational language skills. Start Anytime! Mon. 2-4 p.m. Fri. 9-11 a.m.

## Need someone to listen?

Military Family Life Consultants are available to help.

Consultations and trainings are free, anonymous and completely confidential. Helping you is our priority. After-hours and weekend appointments are available and group or off-site meetings can be arranged.

To schedule an appointment or for more information on available services, call 634-7500 or 333-489-8967.

## Deployment initiatives

Several new CYS programs have been put in place to help families cope with deployment. Some of these include free child care, waiver of certain fees and many discounts.

Some programs apply only to families of deployed Soldiers but other programs apply to families on the home front. Stop by CYS central

registration, located in the Davis Soldier and Family Readiness to inquire, or call DSN 634-7219.

## Aviano's Bella Befana Bazaar

Take off and shop the world, at Aviano's Bella Befana Bazaar. Sept. 28-29 from 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. and Sept. 30 from 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at Hangars 1,2 and the wash rack.

Featuring vendors from around the world, food booths and entertainment.

Open to all NATO ID card and U.S. passport holders.

## Youth dance classes

Fall classes are forming for SKIES Unlimited. Dance classes are offered from Sep- Dec. Registration begins Aug 27. Call 634-7219 for information on all SKIES Unlimited classes.

## CDC Hour Change

Effective Sept. 1, the Child Development Center, bldg. 395, will change it's operating hours to 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon-Fri, and 8 a.m.-4 p.m. on Sat the CDC will continue to offer part-day, part-time and hourly care.

All full-day and before and after Sure Start or Kindergarten care will be offered from 6 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Call DSN 634-7559 for information.

## Operation Helping Hands

Help our single Soldiers downrange and the children of Afghanistan by donating much-needed items to Operation Helping Hands.

CYS youth will collect items and send them downrange throughout the entire deployment cycle.

For children, CYS is collecting school supplies, clothing, shoes and candy.

For single Soldiers, CYS is collecting items such as paperbacks, puzzles, paper, pens, stamps, envelopes, phone cards, Nerf Balls and Frisbees, non-perishable food items toiletries, plastic eating utensils, flip flops for the shower, moleskin and foot and hand warmers.

Drop boxes are located at all CYS facilities, the Commissary, the Body Shop, the Post Fitness Center, Davis Hall and the Post Library.

## Military Spouses Appreciation Day

MWR is hosting a special community event, the Margaret Williamson Family Garden dedication ceremony at the Davis Soldier and Family Readiness Center, Sept. 26, 4-5:30 p.m.

A complimentary piano concert, performed by Luigi Borgatoto follows at Soldiers' Theatre, 6 p.m.

The garden is dedicated to the first, 1st Lady of the 173rd Airborne Brigade, Mrs. Margaret Williamson. Williamson's daughter will be present at the dedication.

Call 634-5087 for reservations by Sept. 21.

## AFTB Level 1

AFTB is offering "Surviving and Thriving in the Army" during five lunch sessions starting Sept. 20. Learn the basics about army life including rank structure, chain of

## Religious Activities

### Ederle Chapel

For details call the chapel at :634-7519 (0444-71-7519).

### Weekday Mass

Mass is now held at noon Wednesday-Monday.

### Saturday Services

4-4:30 p.m.: Sacrament of Reconciliation, or by appointment  
5 p.m.: Roman Catholic Mass

### Sunday Services

9 a.m.: Catholic Mass  
10:45 a.m.-noon: Catholic Religious Education  
11 a.m.: Protestant worship  
1:30 p.m.: Full Gospel Pentecostal worship and Children's church  
4 p.m.: Lutheran Services  
6 p.m.: Contemporary worship

### Muslim Services

The khutba and prayer will take place in the post chapel conference room Fridays, just after noon.

### Jewish services

Traditional Rosh Hashonah meals and services will be held at the home of Lt. Col. Stephen and Nancy November.

The holiday starts at 7 p.m. Wednesday and continues through Friday evening, which is Shabbat.

For more information about Rosh Hashonah or Yom Kippur, which starts the evening of Friday, Sept. 21, call the Chapel or write to november6@msn.com.

### Club Beyond

For details about Club Beyond youth activities, contact the chapel or Jocely Cary at 340-385-3476.

### Darby Chapel

For details call the chapel at :633-7267 (50-54-7267).

8:30 a.m.: Catholic Reconciliation  
9:30 a.m.: Catholic Mass  
11:15 a.m.: Protestant worship

command and more. Soldiers can earn promotion points and military education credit by attending all five classes. Sign up at ACS.

A reminder that CYS has deployment programs which we hope will help the community:

## CYS deployment programs

There are now two FRG free meeting nights each month. The procedures to book space and childcare are included in the updated FRG meeting night Fact sheet. Note that requests for meeting locations as well as the child names from the FRG Leader and/or FRSA must still be received by the 1st of the month. The new meeting locations brochure can be found at [www.vicenza.mwr.com](http://www.vicenza.mwr.com) and click on Meeting Locations Brochure.

Saturday childcare will be provided at CDC bldg. 395. Call 634-7559 to reserve Saturday care. Parents can use their Deployment Care Card (10 free hours) for this care.

Also on Saturdays, youth in grade 6 and above may attend the Teen Center, from noon-8 p.m., across from Ederle Inn





# Follow me

(Left-Right) Col. Virgil Williams, USAG Vicenza commander; Col. Gordon Davis, SETAF chief of staff; Maj. Gen. Frank Helmick, SETAF commanding general and Col. Salvatore Bordonaro, Italian base commander; take the lead for the Green Tab run on Sept. 7. The runs consist of SETAF and tenant unit senior leaders and primary staff, offering a chance to build unit cohesion and promote esprit de corps. Command Sgt. Maj. Earl Rice sang cadence for the five-mile team building run and also had the leaders do a few rounds of push-ups and sit-ups. (Photo by Spc. Kathryn Jorgenson, SETAF Public Affairs)

## Families enjoy Ederle Lanes

Photo feature by Laura Kreider  
Outlook Staff

It was fun at the Ederle Lanes this week as, (Right) Ethan Jones, 4, starts practicing his bowling skills under the watchful eye of his father Derek, while the other members of the family, mother Alison and sister Leah, 2, are getting ready to play.

(Below) William Shadwick shows good form while launching his bowling ball down one of the ten lanes at the Ederle Lanes.

The Bowling Center hours of operation are Monday-Tuesday 3:30-10 p.m., Friday-Saturday noon-9 p.m. and Sunday noon-7 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday the center is closed.

Every Monday it is free bowling, and every Friday from noon -3 p.m. it's half price.

Fall leagues are forming now. Call 634-7013 for more information.



## Sports shorts

### Cougar tail gate party

Support the Vicenza High Cougars at the Fall sports tail gate party on Sept. 14, 6p.m. Meet at the gazebo at the football field. Bring meat to grill, drinks and a side dish to share. Be sure to bring a blanket or some chairs to sit on as well. Wear black and gold to show your support.

### New family adventure series

Put away the board games and get out the backpack and hiking boots. It's for everyone of all ages. Cost varies, but free for kids under age 12. Each week try a different type of adventure.

Sept. 13, Valmarana hiking, 3:30-6:30 p.m.

Sept. 27, Brendola Castle, 3:30-6:30 p.m.

Call Outdoor Rec, DSN 634-7453 for a complete list.

### Open Court Play

Keep up your game with Sports and Fitness Open Court Play.

Volleyball Monday, Wednesday & Fridays 7-8:45 p.m.

Basketball Monday, Wednesday & Fridays 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Saturday 11:30-5:45 p.m., Sunday 9 a.m.-5:45 p.m.

Sand Volleyball Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m.-5:45 p.m.

Tennis Monday- Friday, 8-11:30 a.m., 1-8:45 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m.-5:45 p.m.

For information call 634-7009.

### Shrine of cycling

Join ODR on an 80 km bike ride Saturday Sept. 15. The trip takes off at 6:45 a.m. from the Shoppette parking lot and cyclists return to Caserma Ederle by 4 p.m. The ride is along Lake Como with a steep climb to the Shrine of Cycling, the Madonna Di Ghisalla. Call or stop by Outdoor Rec to sign up.

### Indoor soccer

Sept. 14-15, the Vicenza Sports & Fitness Center will hold a five-on-five indoor soccer tournament for military members, and civilians 18 years or older and out of high school. There is a mandatory coaches meeting Sept. 12 at 2:30 or 6 p.m. at the Fitness Center. Call for more information.

### CYS tennis, cross country

The CYS Tennis Season starts Sept. 19 and ends Oct. 29. Practice is held Wednesdays from 5:15-6:15 p.m. The season will end with a tournament on Oct. 29. Cross country starts Sept. 17. Practice is held Tuesday and Thursday from 6-7 p.m. The season ends with a race on Oct. 29.

Open to kids 6-12. Registration for cross country ends Sept. 14 and for tennis Sept. 18. The cost of both sports is \$25 which includes a t-shirt, and the equipment for tennis.