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## Caserma Ederle brings home gold for deployment effort

By Julie M. Lucas  
*Outlook editor*

For the first time in its history, U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza won first place at the Department of the Army level for the Deployment of Excellence award for installations outside the continental U.S. in FY 2010. Last year USAG Vicenza took first place at the Installation Management- Europe level as well.

"It is a tremendous compliment to the teamwork across units that Caserma Ederle is being recognized for its efforts supporting this most recent deployment by the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team for Operation Enduring Freedom X," said Garrison Commander Col. Erik Daiga. "We are in a unique environment in Italy and this award shows the professionalism, flexibility and mission focus of our Soldiers, civilians and local national employees."

When thinking about deploying and redeploying a brigade, as USAG Vicenza did in FY 2010, the Directorate of Logistics might be the first organization that comes to mind. Several other directorates were also part of the equation to effectively processing the Soldiers and their equipment to and from their mission. The Directorate of Human Resources supplied personnel to assist with the last minute processing of information. The Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security was also part of the team, providing assistance during the deployment and redeployment of numerous units last year.

Caserma Ederle had many winners inside the gate. 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment received the large deployment unit winner award for active Army.

While DOL processes the equipment for deployment, 14th Transportation Battalion is charged with the mission of getting the equipment to correct location for deploying units. 14th Trans. Bn. was also awarded with the supporting unit recognition for the



*Award packet photos*

**Above Soldiers load baggage for their flight to Afghanistan at Aviano Air Base, one of the final stages in the deployment process.**

deployment efforts.

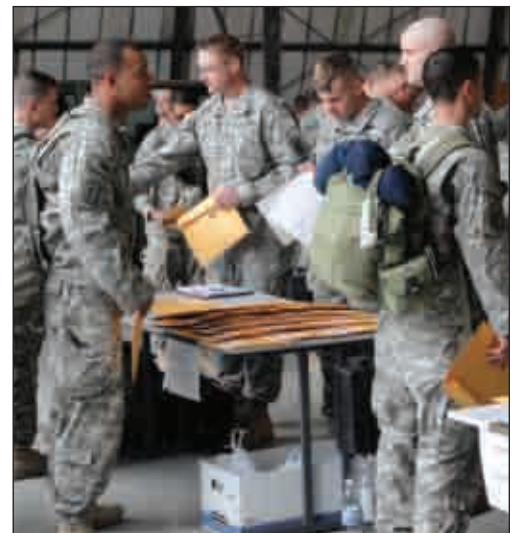
"Any military property in Italy concerning the armed forces, is controlled by 14<sup>th</sup> Transportation Battalion and winning this award proves that we are the top standard," said Francesca Cisotto, traffic manager for 14th Trans. Bn.

The paperwork for the award was compiled by the DPTMS Operations, responsible for last year's winning packet submission.

"After taking first place last year at IMCOM-Europe, we were motivated and confident that we could take the next step this year and win at the All-Army level," said OPS specialist Gabriel Campbell.

DOL is also currently undergoing some Department of Defense-level changes in its hierarchy. During the next 18 months, it will be moving under a different command.

DOL will be moving under control of the 405th Army Field Support Brigade, under 21st Theater Support Command in Europe and assigned to the Army Materiel Command. The DOL will still perform S4 functions for the USAG Vicenza.



**Soldiers process during the deployment for Operation Enduring Freedom X.**

Installations in the continental U.S. made the move at the beginning of the fiscal year, while OCONUS started the transition April 1.

"The Army has currently reorganized into four main enterprises. DOL will be re-aligned under the 405th AFSB and the Materiel enterprise," said DOL Acting Director Randy Clark.

"During this process, I expect everything to move seamlessly and will be transparent to the customer," Clark said.

## VMS students get lyrical about learning parts of speech, become 'Idols'

*Vicenza Middle School*

We have all experienced those moments of feeling nervous or uncomfortable. Imagine, standing on a stage, in front of all your peers while singing and dancing. Welcome to Grammar Idol, presented on the stage of Vicenza Middle School April 5.

Seventh graders in Angela Wilson's Language Arts classroom were the "bands" that sang their hearts out in front of all their peers and teachers. The students studied the eight parts of speech in-depth. The culmination activity was to write their own song lyrics about one of the parts of speech. The students had a defined rubric, or scoring meter, they had to follow. The song had to teach someone about the parts of speech, while being creative and catchy.

The seventh graders spent a lot of time creating lyrics, practicing with the instrumental version of their song, working on choreography, and passing through preliminary tryouts, said

Wilson. Posters of the students' "bands" were placed in the hallways. The posters featured the students' "band" names and titles of their new hit single songs.

Many bands had guitars, wigs and other props that added to their presentation, said Wilson. One band, named XXI, featured a student, Chris Deva, playing his electric guitar through the entire song. The other band members, Noah Smith and Zane Addison, sang their version of AC/DC's "Back in Black." Another band, Ninja Monkeys, used hula hoops to act out prepositions as they sang their version of "Ring of Fire." The Verbettes, a band consisting of five girls, had a choreographed dance and song about verbs. Drake Fichthorn and James Jones really got into their song "Adverbs," a twist off of Justin Beiber's hit song, "Baby."

In addition to the band posters and the performance of the finalists on the stage, all the bands went "on tour".

See IDOLS, page 4

## AFAP conference identifies new quality of life issues

Earlier this month, I discussed the progress we made resolving 17 of 40 quality-of-life issues at the Army Family Action Plan General Officer Steering Committee held in February. During the same week, AFAP delegates representing Army garrisons and commands worldwide met in our nation's capital to review and prioritize 88 quality-of-life issues that had been identified throughout the year at midlevel AFAP conferences across the Army.



As the assistant chief of staff for Installation Management and the overseer of the AFAP process, I had the privilege to speak to these delegates and impress upon them the great responsibility of identifying the most critical issues for the Army to work. Delegates were comprised of Soldiers, spouses, Department of Army civilians, wounded warriors and survivors. Each brought their own ideas, perspectives and experiences to share in the decision making process. The task before them was not an easy one, yet they met the challenge with an overwhelming sense of enthusiasm and energy. They reviewed, they discussed and they challenged each other on the issues. At the conclusion of the conference, 16 new quality of life issues were identified and reported out to senior Army leadership.

The top five issues identified to senior Army leaders are:

- ID cards for surviving children with an active duty sponsor that annotate both active duty and survivor status
- Wounded warrior caregiver training
- Medically retired servicemembers' eligibility for concurrent receipt of disability pay
- Military Child Development Program fee cap
- Medical retention processing time restrictions for Reserve Component Soldiers.

Currently, there is no way to annotate both dependent Survivor status and active duty status on an identification card. This issue affects dependants of dual military parents when one military parent dies or children of a surviving parent who remarry a servicemember. This may cause undue emotional stress when survivors must justify their survivor status in order to qualify for survivor specific services. The delegates recommend ID cards annotate both dependant survivor status and active-duty status to ensure Survivors quickly receive all survivor services available.

Delegates also recommend providing caregivers of wounded warriors formal standardized training on self-care, stress reduction, burnout and prevention of abuse/neglect. Without this training, caregivers may suffer from caregiver fatigue which may ultimately lead to neglect of a wounded warrior or damage to the wounded warrior and caregivers' relationship. The implementation of formal standardized, face-to-face training for designated caregivers of wounded warriors is critical to those who help heal our nation's heroes.

The elimination of the 20-year time in service requirement for medically retired servicemembers to be eligible for concurrent receipt of disability pay was also identified as an issue to be worked this year. The CRDP eliminates the offset between retirement pay and VA disability compensation. Removal of the 20-year restriction would restore the full retirement pay and VA entitlements to the medically retired servicemembers with less than 20 years of active service.

Some military families using Military Child Development Programs pay greater than 25 percent of their total monthly family income for child care. The recommendation is to cap program fees at 25 percent of the military family's total family income.

Lastly, Medical Retention Processing for Reserve Component Soldiers is limited to six months from their date of release from active duty. However, medical conditions resulting from active-duty service are not always visible within the first six months of release from active duty. Extending the medical retention processing to five years would allow Reserve Component Soldiers to receive proper medical treatment.

The remaining 11 issues identified by the AFAP delegates are Survivor, Medical, Family Support and Civilian personnel issues. I encourage you to learn more about these new issues by visiting the Army OneSource website at <https://www.myarmyonesource.com/familyprogramsandservices/>. In addition, you can follow the progress on all issues that are currently being worked by selecting "Active Issue Search" at the bottom of the page and then search by issue number or keyword. The website also allows you to submit a new issue directly to your garrison or unit AFAP process, and provides AFAP brochures, articles and videos to download. You can also download the "HQDA AFAP Issue Search" application for free on your iPad, iPhone and iPod Touch.

As I have said many times before, our Army will not break because of its Soldiers but it will break because of the stress placed upon our Soldiers and their Families. Never before have we asked so much of our Army families. Because of this, the Army will continue to fully fund and staff Army Family programs and keep our promise of providing Soldiers and families a quality of life that is commensurate with their service. In order to ensure the promise is always kept, we must continue to identify inefficient, redundant or obsolete programs and services so we can redirect those resources to where we truly need them. I challenge each of you to help us in this endeavor. In the near future, I will communicate to you where and how you can help. Moving forward, the AFAP process will not only be the identification of quality-of-life issues, but also the identification of potential offsets to resource those quality-of-life issues.

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

## Tax turn-in time on horizon

By Capt. Jonathan Marshall  
Tax Center OIC

It is not too late to file taxes. While the filing deadline is Monday, anyone who resides overseas or is in the military on duty overseas, is allowed an automatic 60-day extension until June 15 to file a return. However, any tax due must be paid by the original return due date (Monday) to avoid interest charges.

To ensure taxes are filed on time, the best thing to do is arrive on Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays during walk-in hours. The tax center will remain open after Monday, but with fewer personnel.

If you have received a letter from the IRS adjusting your refund, you may be entitled to the entire amount.

The IRS has incorrectly reduced the amount of some Servicemembers' refund on the Making Work Pay Credit (Schedule M). This occurs because their system is not including non-taxable combat pay as earned income.

The IRS is aware of this error, and is working on resolving it. If this has happened to you, you will receive an explanation letter from the IRS, bring the letter to the Tax Center and they will draft you a response letter to the IRS requesting your entire refund.

For more information, contact the Tax Center Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays 9 a.m.-4 p.m. or Tuesdays and Thursdays, scheduled appointments only (very few appointments remain open).

The Tax Center is located in the U.S. Army Africa Office of the Staff Judge Advocate building 241. Their number is 634-7316 / 0444-71-7316.

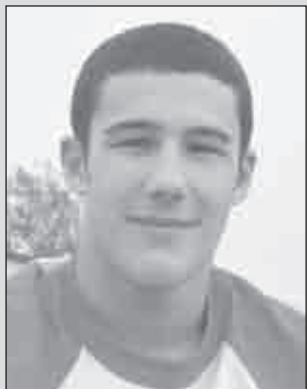
## Speak Out

### What do you plan to do for Spring Break?



**Debbie Ashton**  
DoDDs Mediterranean  
District Office

"I plan to catch up on my work in preparation for my end of school year reports."



**Marshall Perfetti**  
Family member

"I plan to visit family and go to the beach."



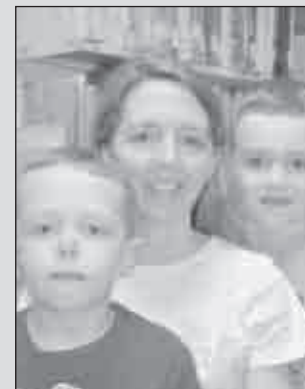
**Ramona Stendardi**  
CDC 398

"I plan on going to take pictures of mountains."



**Abby Vallery**  
Family member

"Hanging out with my friends and going swimming."



**Kerry, Jacob and Jack Wilde**  
Family members

"We're going to Naples, Pompeii and Sorrento."

By Laura Kreider

## American Red Cross teaches life-saving techniques

Story and photo by Laura Kreider  
Outlook staff

The American Red Cross held an Adult, Child and Infant CPR-AED (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation/Automated External Defibrillation) First Aid class for the Caserma Ederle community Saturday.

“The purpose of this course is to teach people how to recognize and respond to medical emergencies,” said Kris Adams, American Red Cross instructor.

Adams, who has been an instructor since she was 18, added how the Red Cross recommends these courses to everybody because “the skills learned with this course can potentially save lives.”

“The ultimate goal is to get everybody certified in CPR/First Aid,” she said.

Participants who complete the course and pass the written test receive certification in CPR-AED and First Aid, according to Adams.

“First Aid certification lasts three years; Adult, Child and Infant CPR certification is good for one year,” she added.

Staff Sgt. Alyson Barrett was one of the participants in the class instructed by Adams and Diane Hutchins, co-instructor.

“This is a great course for Soldiers and civilians alike,” said Barrett, who is transitioning out of the Army.

“I have been learning a lot and it can help me for job applications,” she said.

The next class offered at the Red Cross, located in Davis Hall, is a Babysitter’s Training Course, Saturday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

The course is open to ages 11 and older. The course fee is \$35 and includes a book and babysitting kit.

Registration and payment are required prior to class.



Members of the American Red Cross CPR class listen to instructions on how to perform adult CPR Saturday. The American Red Cross offers numerous classes.

For more information call 634-7089 or stop by the office located in Davis Hall.

## In Vicenza community Earth Day becomes ‘Earth Week’

DPW Environmental Division

U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza is planning to celebrate this year’s Earth Day with several activities Monday-April 22.

These activities will involve many organizations including Department of Defense Dependent Schools, the Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, the Directorate of Public Works-Environmental Division, AAFES and the health clinic, and some of the activities will be conducted in conjunction with the month of the Military Child.

The USAG Vicenza community is welcome to celebrate this year’s Earth Week at one or more of the events below.

♦ **Tuesday:** Tree planting at Villaggio, VES-VMS, 10 a.m.

♦ **Wednesday:** Earth Week Booth with information and handouts, outside the PX 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; DOL displays on water and oil conservation outside the PX area, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

♦ **April 21:** “Trashion show” at Villaggio VES-VMS, 2 p.m.

♦ **April 22:** Earth Day and Spring Clean Up day when Recycling Art Exhibition at the Arts & Craft Center, 1-5 p.m.; Winners’ announcement of Art and Essay contests, in partnership with DFMWR at the Health Clinic, 3:30 p.m.; Unveiling of the Childrens’ Nature Park layout beside the Ederle Inn, 4 p.m.; Tree planting at the Childrens’ Nature Park, following the unveiling

♦ **April 21-22:** in the afternoon, the art work will be displayed at the Health Clinic, at the Library and at the PX

## Female Engagement Teams serve in new mission to aid women in Middle East

By Julie M. Lucas  
Outlook editor

In February, the Army started a search for females willing to be a part of a special deployment program called “Female Engagement Teams.” These women would go out on patrols specifically to communicate with women in the areas of operation. One 173rd female Soldier took part in one of the special mission teams.

Sgt. 1st Class Casey Kiernan, medic, 173rd Brigade Support Battalion, was part of a group that spearheaded the mission after spending 12 months in Afghanistan and returning late last fall. The team she worked with was comprised of several female Soldiers, known as Task Force Repel. Kiernan jumped into the mission, without any special training.

“I used my Army and medical training to assist me while I was there,” Kiernan said.

Before Kiernan could use her training, she had to gain the trust of the village elder or “Mullah.”

“Men aren’t allowed to talk to Afghan women, so we’d have to talk to the men before we could help the women,” she said. “Men were never more than 3 feet away while we treated the women.”

With the use of an Afghan female interpreter, members of the team were able to perform medical checks on women in the village and had an opportunity to educate them about local public health care. The group encountered women from many different ways of life; women who live in cities, as well as women who lived in rural areas with no running water or electricity.

“The hardest part of the job is that you cannot help everyone,” Kiernan

said. “There are still so many women suffering due to lack of knowledge, for many reasons.”

“The real power of the FET is in their ability to build trusted relationships with local-national women over time based on mutual respect,” said Maj. Matthew Yandura, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team information operations officer, who witnessed the interaction on his last deployment.

Kiernan credited being part of a BSB populated with women that made as a part of what made this team successful. On the mission, Kiernan ran into a few situations that no training could prepare her for.

“We ran into a gypsy camp that refused to believe we were females,” she said. “We actually had to take our hair out of our buns to prove it.”

“Based on feedback from Iraq and Afghanistan, Female Engagement Teams

have the potential to be a battlefield multiplier; in some cases significantly so,” Yandura said.

Kiernan offers her advice for those interested in the program. “Educate your mind about the culture and be open minded to accepting their way of life. You should never try to change their way of life – there isn’t a right or wrong way. Have a strong heart and be willing to walk away.”

On the website, <http://www.soc.mil/CST/CST.html>, a similar program called Cultural Support Teams, list what they are looking for in women who want to join in these teams. Basic requirements include being an E-4-E-8, O1-O3 or WO1-CW3, with no profiles. The site details what to expect and training now offered.

Women interested in the program can email [cst@soc.mil](mailto:cst@soc.mil).

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### Volunteer spotlight

### Connie and Jessica Klinkam



Connie is the PTSA president, a volunteer victim advocate and a Girl Scout leader.

“Connie has been an on-call victim advocate with Family Advocacy for three years. In this role she is on call one week per month and provides crisis intervention to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault,” said Mickie McNamara, victim advocate coordinator.

Jessica is a volunteer in Girl Scouts and PTSA. “She not only completes service projects with her troop, but regularly helps out in a younger brownie troop,” her mother said. Jessica is preparing for the PTSA carnival May 6.

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

## IDOLS: students learn while entertaining others

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They toured through various elementary classrooms singing their songs. The elementary kids loved the bands and many asked for copies of their CD. The elementary teachers would like song lyrics to help reinforce the part of speech in their own classrooms. Many of the elementary students could be heard singing the songs as the bands left their rooms.

Grammar Idol was complete with judges, similar to American Idol. Gene Tramm played the infamous Simon Cowell. The judges made comments after the student performances. The audience also had a chance to vote for the band they enjoyed the most. The ballots were tallied and the winning bands were announced the next morning. The top band, EJ, won iTunes gift cards, a Payday candy bar and a trophy. EJ, starring Early Wheeler and Jarod Ganci, also sang their winning song, a rap about pronouns, over the school intercom.

Overall, Grammar Idol was a huge success according to Wilson. She also said the seventh graders, although very apprehensive at first, stepped out of their comfort zones. She also said the songs created were creative and catchy. All week, the buzz in the hallways was tunes from the recent hits, songs about grammar. Next year, Grammar Idol will return to the VMS stage.



Photo by Julie M. Lucas

**Family Fun Night:** Military Child and Child Abuse Prevention Month activities opening celebration and Family Fun Night took place April 4 on Villaggio at the center. Activities included a fun run, craft making and food courtesy of the USO. Numerous activities will continue for the rest of month including concerts, a carnival and Eggstravaganza. For more information call 634-7219.



Photo by Laura Kreider

**Proclamation signed:** Command Sgt. Maj. Jeffrey Hartless, garrison command sergeant major, signs the Sexual Assault Awareness Month Proclamation during a ceremony held at Davis Hall April 5.



Photos by Julie M. Lucas

**Eco center:** Can't make it to your Italian eco center during operation hours? Now the Caserma Ederle Eco Center is open 24/7 and staffed Mondays-Fridays 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. It is located behind the Ederle Inn near the field and signs are posted. The center will be closed April 28-May 1 during the Welcome Home celebration.

## VES students graduate DARE program

Story and photo by Laura Kreider  
Outlook staff

Students were greeted by DAREN the Lion as they walked into the Vicenza Elementary School's Multipurpose Room April 6 for their DARE graduation ceremony.

The students were required to write an essay demonstrating the skills they learned while in the D.A.R.E. Program according to Spc. Orlando Lambert, Directorate of Emergency Services D.A.R.E. instructor.

The essays were judged based on content and how well the students were able to explain what they learned.

The winners were Lisa Marie Medrano, Julie Baucom, Dylan McDonald, Jacob Larsen and Jessica Klinkam.

"The D.A.R.E. contest was held unbeknownst to the students," explained Lambert.

"After announcing the winners, all the winners were overjoyed that their work was recognized and excited about receiving their prizes," said Lambert.

"I enjoyed teaching them as well as the rest of the entire Vicenza Elementary School Fifth Grade Class," he said.

For her essay, Medrano received a bag of goodies donated by the local Bank of America Community Bank and a \$100-savings bond donated by Global Credit Union.

For their work, Baucom, McDonald, Larsen and Klinkam also received a bag of goodies from Bank of America Community Bank and a \$50-savings bond from Global Credit Union.



DAREN the Lion greets students during the Fifth Grade D.A.R.E. Graduation held at the Vicenza Elementary School Multipurpose Room April 6. Five students were awarded for essays they wrote about what they learned during the program.

## EO offers vineyard tour for women



From the left, Jenny Sposato and Bethy Vallejo, notice the art statues displayed in the rolling vineyards of Casato Prime Donne winery in Montalcino. The vineyard has a walking trail that visitors can trek and read about the various winners of an international woman's award.

Story and photo by Joyce Costello  
USAG Livorno Public Affairs

With each national commemorative month comes a challenge to find ways to engage community members in enlightening events that will broaden their appreciation for a particular month's theme. For Women's History Month, the Camp Darby Equal Opportunity and Community Relations team decided to look at some of the local industries that are traditionally dominated by men, but in which women were blazing new trails and making history.

In the heart of Tuscany, in the small region of Montalcino, home of the prized Brunello, is the Casato Prime Donne winery which is part of the "Manifesto of Equal Opportunity in the Wine Cellars".

"We are part of a group of female wine producers who are dedicated to giving men and women the same opportunities in training, pay and career prospects in a field where, worldwide, the agricultural sector has been run on more 'old style' views on gender roles," explained Antonella Marconi, Casato

Prime Donne winery.

"Additionally, for the last nine years, the vineyard has been presenting international awards to women who have enhanced the role of women in society, defended, empowered and promoted other women and who have helped build a future for other women," she said.

Marconi adds that the vineyard is owned and run by women and viticulture is still considered a very nontraditional job for women in Italy.

"I learned the struggles women have endured throughout history are the same in Italy as they are in the United States and through their perseverance these women have been forerunners in the wine industry, paving the way for others to follow," said attendee Dona Brooks.

Fellow attendee Amy Carr added, "The visit to Casato Prime Donne Winery, learning about its history and the obstacles the women overcame was inspiring; this is just a great example of women proving they can do just about anything!"

Along with learning about the unique female aspect, visitors learned particulars about Brunello.

"I found the production and aging process of Brunello to be very interesting," said Carr. "I didn't know Brunello can only be produced in Montalcino and that only six and a half million bottles can be made and sold per year. The rules and regulations the country has in place to guarantee the quality of wine makes me more appreciative of Brunello di Montalcino and is now officially my favorite Italian wine!"

Attendee Michael McDaniel said that he found the "DOCG" appellation interesting, "which is similar to the traditional French 'Appellation Controllee' which gives a wine region very strict naming standards; not just anyone can market a Brunello of Montalcino unless they fall under these very strict local criteria.

There is a trail walk which has art and quotes from the winners of the "Casato Prime Donne" awards.

Information about visiting the winery or how to participate in the award program that also includes awards for those who promote, photograph or study Montalcino and its wines can be found at [www.cinellicolombini.it](http://www.cinellicolombini.it).

## Darby Dates

Visit the community calendar for upcoming events and details at [www.usag.livorno.army.mil](http://www.usag.livorno.army.mil)

**Celebrate military children**  
Celebrate military children April 20:

- ◆ 10 a.m., special story hour at the library
- ◆ 11:45 a.m., CYSS Parent Advisory Council and Child Abuse prevention class
- ◆ 6 p.m., Rainbows within Reach concert at Livorno Elementary School gym with children's performer Debbie Clement. Call 633-7613.

**Beach splash**

Rent your beach front property (umbrella, chairs and cabana) before the beach actually opens. Raffle drawing for the first four rows for U.S. ID card holders April 21, 4 p.m. at the DCC. All others can buy April 22, 4 p.m. at the DCC. Call 635-7775.

**Veterinarian visit**

Schedule appointments for April 21. Call 635-4841.

**Dentist visit**

Schedule dental appointments for April 25-28. Call 633-7461.

**Army Community Services**

- ◆ Volunteer Recognition Ceremony, April 20 at 2 p.m. at the DCC
  - ◆ TSP 101, April 28
- Call 633-7084 to learn about these programs.

**Fitness Center**

- ◆ Free Hatha Yoga Mondays at 5:15 p.m. and Wednesdays at noon
- ◆ Pilates classes, Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon
- ◆ NIA classes, Wednesdays at 11:45 a.m. Call 633-7438.

**Youth Services**

- ◆ Parent's Night Out, April 30
  - ◆ Kick Back Night, April 30
- Call 633-7629.

**ITR trips**

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

- ◆ Florence, April 23
- ◆ Handicraft fair in Florence, April 30

**Darby Community Club**

- ◆ Karaoke, Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ Texas Hold 'em, Friday at 6:30 p.m.

**Religious Activities**

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

## Community Camera

Check out who stars in the Photo of the Day on [www.usag.livorno.army.mil](http://www.usag.livorno.army.mil).

### Reinforcing partnerships:

At right, host nation providers, clinicians and support personnel met at the annual Preferred Provider Network brunch with the U.S. Army Health Clinic Livorno personnel on April 1 at the Camp Darby Community Club.

"We rely heavily upon the host nation network for us to successfully and safely provide quality healthcare to all of Camp Darby's beneficiaries," said Maj. Bryan Walrath, U.S. Army Health Clinic Livorno commander. "Without their support and expertise we would have limited, expensive and long commute options for certain diagnostic, specialty and inpatient services."



Photo by Chiara Mattiolo



Photo by Paolo Turolla

### Month of the Military Child:

At left, Nadine Boutte and her son, Daron, enjoy a parents and children barbecue in celebration of the Month of the Military Child at School Age Services April 8. Additional Month of the Military Child celebrations include a special story hour at the library at 10 a.m. April 20, and a free "Rainbows within Reach" concert with Debbie Clement at the Livorno Elementary School gym at 6 p.m., April 20.

## Donkey races:

Sunday at 2:30 p.m., in Isola Vicentina, at Villa Cerchiari, Via Cerchiari, about 8 miles northwest of Vicenza. The traditional donkey race dates from 1840.



Courtesy photo

## Local events

### Flower festivals:

**Vicenza:** Friday-Sunday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m., Piazza dei Signori, Piazza San Lorenzo and Piazza Biade. Exhibit and sale of flowers, plants, vases and wicker baskets.

**Este:** Saturday-Sunday, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Maggiore 6, about 28 miles south of Vicenza. Flower exhibit and sale. Free floral art workshops for children and adults. Free entrance to the Atestino National Museum, Via G. Negri 9/C.

**Recoaro Terme:** Sunday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Piazza Dolomiti and Via Lelia, about 27 miles northwest of Vicenza. Flower and fruit market; live entertainment with jugglers, face-painting, balloons, music and food booths.

**Sossano:** Sunday, from 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Maggiore, about 17 miles south of Vicenza. Food booths featuring local products.

### Palm Festival and Donkey Race:

Friday-Sunday, in Isola Vicentina, at Villa Cerchiari, Via Cerchiari, about 8 miles northwest of Vicenza. 7 p.m.; food booths featuring donkey meat with polenta and German draught beer. Live music and dancing start at 9 p.m.; Sunday at 2:30 p.m., traditional donkey race which dates from 1840.

### Palm Sunday Festival:

10 a.m.-7 p.m., in Thiene, about 13 miles north of Vicenza. Traditional Easter sweets, chocolate eggs, honey and local crafts. Entertainment and live music; Easter eggs decoration workshop in Piazzetta Rossi. Stores open all day long.

### Olive Festival:

Sunday, 9 a.m., in Pove del Grappa, Piazza Europa, about 27 miles north of Vicenza. Exhibit and sale of local and biological products. Photo and bonsai exhibit. Food booths featuring the traditional Pove bruschetta with extra-virgin olive oil.

### Bounce houses

In Vicenza, Campo Marzo through May 15, weekdays 2-8 p.m.; Sunday and holidays 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Among the many bounce houses, it features a "Tibetan bridge", "An air mountain", a

"Camelot Castle" as well as a giant slide. Admission fee: €5.

### Oil and Olive Festival:

Saturday and Sunday, in Barbarano Vicentino, Piazza Roma, about 13 miles south of Vicenza. Local food, oil and wine exhibit and sale. Sunday, starting at 8:30 a.m., free guided walk along the paths of the Berici Hills.

### Upcoming marathons and walks:

- March of the Blessed, Sunday in Marostica, 4-7-13-21 km. The march departs 7:30-9:30 a.m. from Piazza degli Scacchi. Participation fee is €2, with refreshments or €6, which includes a chess piece on arrival. Parking available.

- The Saint Anthony 42-km marathon is Sunday. It departs at 9 a.m. from Campodarsego, a town in the northern part of Padova and it will go through seven municipalities. Eight hours is the time limit. All roads will be closed to traffic. The finish line is set in Padova, Prato della Valle, which is claimed to be the biggest square in Europe. Full information in English and registration at [www.maratonasantantonio.com](http://www.maratonasantantonio.com).

- The Donor March, April 25, in Grancona, about 14 miles southwest of Vicenza. 5-12-23 KM. Departure between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. from the Sports Center in Via Pederiva. Participation fee is € 2; € 5 with a Prosecco bottle; € 8 with a participation T-shirt. Parking provided.

- Cherry Blossom Walk, April 25, in Mason Vicentino, about 15 miles north of Vicenza. 6-12-20-km. Departure from Don Milani Middle School, Via Nogaredo 33, 7:30-9:30 a.m. Participation fee is €2. Entertainment and food stands along the route.

### Movie festival:

The Odeon Theater, in Vicenza, Corso Palladio 176, features movies in English in the winter. Monday: "The Kids Are All Right" by Lisa Cholodenko, 5 p.m.; 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Tickets: €6; reduced €4.50 for students.

### Mini cruises:

One-day excursions to the island of San Giorgio in Venice departing at 8:30 a.m. and returning at 6 p.m. from Chioggia, Darsena Le Saline. The cost for Jan.-April, and Oct.-Dec. is €75/person. May-Sept. €85/person. Children 5-10 pay

half the price and free for children younger than 5. It includes a typical Venetian lunch and local wine. The Monsier Dubois enterprise also offers sailing courses, cultural and naturalistic cruises and excursions in the Venice lagoon. For more info in English, visit <http://www.monsieurdubois.it/uk/charter1.htm>

## FREE concerts, exhibits & events

### 13th Ceramic Eggs exhibition:

Each year Nove celebrates Easter with an exhibition of Ceramic Eggs made by Italian pottery artists. Saturday through May 1, in Nove, Museum of Ceramics, Piazza De Fabris 5, about 18 miles north of Vicenza. Grand opening: Saturday, 11:30 a.m.; open on Saturday, Sunday and Italian holidays, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 3-7 p.m.

### Stations of the Cross:

Ongoing through April 24, 4:30-8 p.m. in Vicenza, Pedrina Art Studio, Palazzo da Schio, Corso Palladio 147.

### Contemporary art exhibition:

Ongoing through May 3, in Vicenza, Spazio Misael, Galleria Porti 3, Corso Palladio. Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-1 p.m. & 4-7:30 p.m.

### Sculpture exhibit:

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

### Explore the sky:

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

### Live music:

**Conservatory students:** Saturday, 5 p.m., in Vicenza, Conservatory, Contrà San Domenico 33

"String of the soul" – live harp and voice concert: Saturday, 8:45 p.m., in Vicenza, Santa Chiara Church, Contrà San Tommaso 7.

**Palm Sunday Mass & Carmini choir performance:** Sunday,

10:45 a.m., in Vicenza, Santa Croce Church, Corso Fogazzaro 254.

## Concerts

**Blackfield:** Tuesday in Milan

**Shakira:** May 2 in Casalecchio di Reno; May 3 in Assago, Milan

**Sade:** May 6 in Assago, Milan, Mediolanum Forum

**Delain:** May 9 in Milan

**Heineken Jammin' Festival:** June 9 -11 in Mestre (Venice), Parco San Giuliano

- June 9: Coldplay + special guests

- June 10: Negramaro + special guests

- June 11: Vasco + special guests

For more details in English, visit <http://www.venezia.net/heineken-jammin-festival/en/> and [http://www.greenticket.it/x/eventi\\_cerca.html?r\\_id=72521&o\\_s\\_id=1646](http://www.greenticket.it/x/eventi_cerca.html?r_id=72521&o_s_id=1646)

**Gods of Metal:** June 22 in Milan, Arena

**Bob Dylan and his Band:** June 22 in Milan, Alacratz

**Skunk Anansie:** July 6 in Udine; July 10 in Ferrara; July 19 in Milan; July 20 in Rome

**Burt Bacharach and Mario Biondi:** July 6 in Milan; July 10

in Lucca

**John Mellencamp:** July 9 in Vigevano (Pavia); July 10 in Rome; July 12 in Udine

**Take That:** July 12 in Milan, San Siro Stadium

**Elton John:** July 12, Piazzola sul Brenta, Padova; July 14 in Lucca

**Bon Jovi:** July 17 in Udine, Friuli Stadium

**Paul Simon:** July 17 in Milan

**James Blunt:** July 21 in Lucca; July 23 in Mantova.

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

## ODR trips

**Visit Florence and Uffizi Gallery,** world-class works of art, April 23

**Paraglide Bassano,** April 23

**Visit San Marino,** the tiny independent republic at the top of a mountain, April 24

**Taste of Italy tour,** Parmigiano and Prosciutto, April 30

**Visit Cinque Terre,** May 7-8

**Kayak Lake Garda,** May 8

**Ride the Nice and Cannes Express,** May 14

All trips need to be booked in person. See the complete ODR schedule online at [www.VicenzaMWR.com](http://www.VicenzaMWR.com).

## Sporting events

### Kickboxing champs:

The World Kickboxing Championship is April 22 in Florence, Nelson Mandela Forum

### Harlem Globetrotters:

The Globetrotters perform May 8, in Assago; May 9 in Biella

### Superbike Champ:

June 10-12 in Misano Adriatico

### Red Bull X Fighters:

International freestyle Motorcross: June 24 in Rome, Olympic Stadium

### Italian GranPrix:

July 1-3, Scarperia (Florence), Mugello Circuit

## Now Showing

### Ederle Theater

<b>Friday</b>	The Eagle (PG 13)	6 p.m.
	The Roommate (PG 13)	9 p.m.
<b>Saturday</b>	The Eagle (PG 13)	3 p.m.
	Arthur (PG 13)	6 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	The Roommate (PG 13)	3 p.m.
	Arthur (PG 13)	6 p.m.
<b>April 22</b>	Just Go With It (PG 13)	6 p.m.
	I Am Number Four (PG 13)	9 p.m.

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

### Camp Darby Theater

<b>Friday</b>	The Eagle (PG 13)	6 p.m.
<b>Saturday</b>	The Roommate (PG 13)	6 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	Sucker Punch (PG 13)	1 p.m.
<b>April 22</b>	Sucker Punch (PG 13)	6 p.m.

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

View MOVIE TRAILERS and more online at [www.shopmyexchange.com/ems/euro/vicenza.htm](http://www.shopmyexchange.com/ems/euro/vicenza.htm) or [www.aafes.com/ems/euro/livorno.htm](http://www.aafes.com/ems/euro/livorno.htm).

## Special events

- ♦ The honors-level Conard High School Jazz Band will perform for the Vicenza community Tuesday, 7 p.m., on Hoekstra Field. Bring your blanket or chairs and enjoy this free jazz concert.
- ♦ Get ready for DFMWR's Spring Eggstravaganza, April 23, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Hoekstra Field. There will be an egg hunt, food and drinks, face painting, balloon creations, a bouncy house and the Easter Bunny will make an appearance.
- ♦ Family and MWR celebrates the return of our deployed Soldiers with a Welcome Home Party April 30 from 3:30-11 p.m. Enjoy a hot dog eating contest, live bands, a 5K fun run, free food and drinks, carnival rides, arts and crafts for kids, family photos and a duck pond. There will also be a Survivor contest open to redeployed Soldiers. Everything takes place behind the Ederle Inn next to the Multi-Purpose Turf Field. Come join the fun and celebrate our Soldiers' homecoming.
- ♦ Contestants are needed for the "Vicenza Survivor" to be held at the Welcome Home Celebration April 30. Similar to the TV show, tribes will be chosen by commanders and command sergeants major. Contestants must be Soldiers from the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team or 14th Transportation Battalion and have been deployed last year. Details are secret until each challenge. After each challenge, one contestant will be voted out. The winner will be awarded a \$500 gift certificate from Outdoor Recreation. If you are interested in being a contestant, see your commander or command sergeant major.

## Job Shadow Day

Vicenza Elementary School, Vicenza Middle School and Vicenza High School will be celebrating Job Shadow Day, a morning dedicated to give young people exposure to the workplace, April 28 from 8 a.m.-noon. Job shadowing enables youth to follow a parent as they go through a normal morning on the job. Unit supervisors are encouraged to support students in the workplace during the duty day. Parents are responsible for coordinating the individual Shadow Day plan as one-on-one mentors for their daughter or son throughout the morning. Job Shadow Day permission slips are available at the schools and must be completed and returned to the school in order to participate.

## Closure/USA Staffing

The NAF Personnel Office will be closed Monday-Wednesday. The Vicenza CPAC will deploy USA Staffing effective April 25. USA Staffing is the new automated recruitment tool, which replaces Resumix. USA Staffing is used for advertising vacant positions, accepting applications from job seekers, and evaluating the job seeker's eligibility and qualifications. During the transition, each job announcement will have instructions to guide job seekers through the application process for

the specified recruitment tool.

## Soldiers' Theatre

- ♦ To make reservations or for more info on any Soldiers' Theatre programs, stop by the theater, call 634-7281 or email [jerry.brees@eur.army.mil](mailto:jerry.brees@eur.army.mil).
- ♦ Classes are ongoing in piano, guitar, violin, voice and flute.

## Arts and Crafts

- ♦ Beginning Quilting starts April 21 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. and runs every Thursday for 6 weeks. Learn the basics of machine piecing and quilting. There are no prerequisite sewing or quilting skills required. Cost is \$75. Visit the Arts & Crafts Center for a complete supply list.
- ♦ Month of the Military Child Activities are happening every Thursday from 1-5 p.m. at the Art Center. Join them for Papermaking April 21 and Recycled Creations April 28. An Earth Day celebration will include art activities April 22 outside building 393 - location of the new Children's Park.

## EO volunteers

The Vicenza military community Equal Opportunity Office is seeking volunteers to lend their energy, experience and creativity in support of special observance events.

For more info contact Sgt. 1st Class Keith Cade, 634-6061/7093 or Sgt. 1st Class Richard Colon, 634-7914.

## VCC

- ♦ Join VCC for a Wacky-Tacky Bingo Luncheon, April 20 from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Arena. Come dressed in your most wacky-tacky outfit. RSVP online at [www.vccitaly.org](http://www.vccitaly.org) or email the reservations chair at [reservations@vccitaly.org](mailto:reservations@vccitaly.org) by Friday.
- ♦ VCC is hosting its semi-annual flea market May 7 in the Villaggio school parking lot from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. If you would like to set up and sell your items, you

can contact Loraine de Oliveira at [waysandmeans@vccitaly.org](mailto:waysandmeans@vccitaly.org) to reserve a spot. Each lined parking spot is \$20.

## Auto Skills

Due to the hiring freeze, the Auto Skills center is unable to fill vacant positions and must suspend towing service until further notice.

## Arena

- ♦ Drop Simpler performs live at the Lion's Den Friday, starting at 8 p.m.
- ♦ Karaoke Week starts Sunday. Come in and sing each night, then April 23, the winners from each night will compete for prizes as they sing for a final win. Call 634-8257 for more information.

## Thrift Shop

While spring cleaning, bring your unwanted or used items to the Thrift Shop. They have a wooden shed open 24/7 for you to drop off gently used clothing and operational electronics and household goods. Place items inside the shed, as wet clothing has to be thrown away. Looking for a little extra cash? The Thrift Store offers consignment on electronics and household goods. Stop in to pick up a list of the items they are currently accepting.

## USO

Italian I (Basic Italian)- Mondays and Wednesdays, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m., 5:30-7 p.m., or Tuesdays and Thursdays, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Italian II (Advanced Italian)- Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. or 5:30-7 p.m.

## CYS Services

Celebrate the Military Child and Child Abuse Prevention throughout the month of April. Multiple events are planned for children and families. Children's performer Debbie Clement will perform at

the Rainbows within Reach Dinner Concert Monday 5:30 p.m. at the School Age Center in Villaggio. Cost is \$8 for ages 4-adult and the meal is spaghetti with meat sauce, green salad, bread, soda and water. Tickets are available at Parent Central Services.

Visit [www.vicenzamwr.com](http://www.vicenzamwr.com) for a complete listing or call Parent Central Services at 634-7219.

## ACS

- ♦ The 2011 Army Emergency Relief Campaign is ongoing to May 15. AER provides emergency financial assistance to Soldiers and their families and scholarships for spouses and dependents. To donate, contact your unit representative or call 634-8524.
- ♦ The job vacancy announcement for the USAREUR Summer Hire 2011 program is posted. The closing date is May 22. The program runs June 20-July 29.

For more info, contact Employment Readiness at 634-6884. The announcement is posted at <https://injobs.army.mil/sh/staffing/summerhire/>.

## Library

On April 21, join the Library for an evening of poetry, reader's theater or discussion. Each month on the third Thursday, we will focus on something different, suggestions welcome. Bring a snack to share and a friend.

## MOMS Club events

- ♦ Fitness Group, Friday at 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Monthly meeting, Monday at 10 a.m.
- ♦ Toddler Playgroup, Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.
- ♦ Pre-school Playgroup, Wednesday at 10 a.m.
- ♦ Park Playdate, April 21 at 10 a.m.
- ♦ Bunco, April 21 at 7 p.m.
- ♦ Toddler Playgroup, April 26 at 9:30 a.m.

## Religious activities

### Chaplain Crisis Line

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

### Sunday services

- 8 a.m.:** Sacrament of Reconciliation, or by appointment
- 9 a.m.:** Roman Catholic Mass. Daily Mass is held weekdays at noon
- 9 a.m.:** Protestant Sunday school and AWANAs (September-May at at "Spiritual Fitness Center", Bldg. 395 behind the Arena)
- 10:45 a.m.:** Catholic religious education (September-May at "Spiritual Fitness Center", Bldg. 395 behind the Arena)
- 11 a.m.:** Protestant worship
- 1:30 p.m.:** Full Gospel Pentecostal worship
- 5 p.m.:** Contemporary Christian service

### Mondays

**Noon:** LDS scripture study

### Tuesdays

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

### Wednesdays

- 3 p.m.:** Praise dance practice
- 3:15 p.m.:** Middle School Club Beyond meets in Villaggio Youth Center September-May
- 5 p.m.:** Contemporary Praise band practice
- 5:30 p.m.:** PWOC Bible study. Dinner provided. No child care
- 5:30 p.m.:** High School Club Beyond meets at the Teen Center for dinner; meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. September-May. Call 340-139-4073 for information
- 5:30 p.m.:** Catholic choir practice
- 6:45 p.m.:** Gospel choir practice

### Thursdays

- 9:30 a.m.:** Catholic Women of the Chapel
- 5:30 p.m.:** Gospel service choir rehearsal
- 7:15 p.m.:** Gospel service Bible study

### Faith group contacts

- Islamic:** Call 634-7519 (0444-71-7519) for info
  - Jewish:** Call Paul Levine at 345-907-2108
  - Latter Day Saints:** Call Chance Wilson at 327-869-8107. Sunday services, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. downtown. Scripture study held Mondays, noon-1 p.m. at the chapel
- Call the Caserma Ederle chapel at 634-7519 (0444-71-7519) for more information on religious activities.



Photo courtesy

**Giving back:** The Vicenza Girl Scouts sell baked goods April 2 outside the Post Exchange to donate the proceeds to disaster relief for the people of Japan. At the end of the day, the girls were able to raise \$1,600 through post donors and put \$300 of their own money toward the effort. During the same time, the Boy Scouts held a bake sale and bagged groceries at the Commissary, raising \$1,350. More than \$3,000 were raised in one day for the local scouts to send to Japan.

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

## VHS plays two:

Above and right, the Vicenza High School softball team challenges Sigonella High School during a doubleheader April 2. The lady cougar's record after last weekend is 1-3. Their next game will be April 29 against Naples.

Photos by Julie M. Lucas



## Farrell, Roche take top slots in tennis tournament

By Tom Hlavacek  
*Special to the Outlook*

Jessica Farrell and John Roche tallied the most points to take first place in the women's and men's divisions of the first tennis matches of the season at Caserma Ederle.

The USAG Vicenza Sports, Fitness and Aquatics office organized the doubles team pool play format.

Players teamed with each other, playing five matches and scoring a point for each game won by the team.

Players accumulated points based on team results. Julio Gonzales and Cinzia Roche finished 2nd in their divisions.

According to event organizer Ricky Jackson, the adult recreational tennis league begins April 15.

A tennis tournament is scheduled for June 3-4.

Several league teams are currently holding sign-ups for both youth and adult sports. Call the Fitness Center at 634-7009 for more information.



Photos by Laura Kreider

**Girls can kick:** Above left, Lina Quichocho applies her dribbling skills versus Victoria Moody during the practice. Above right, Jessica Brown, Chelsea Elkins and Sabrina Tennant, members of the Vicenza women's team kick around the ball during practice April 7. The Vicenza women's team started in fall 2009 and has played 4-5 games, mostly against the Vicenza Calcio Femminile team. "We have all levels of players and our goal is mainly to have fun and work out together while learning or refining our soccer skills," said Sara Brasher, team player and point of contact. "Right now, we are trying to get as many participants as possible so we can keep it going. We can't all always be there so the more the merrier. Hopefully, with more players, we can get more regular competition."

The women meet 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays at the turf field behind the Ederle Inn. For more information, email [sr\\_brasher@yahoo.com](mailto:sr_brasher@yahoo.com) or call 634-8925.

### COMMUNITY UNIT/REC OPEN PLAY DODGE BALL

Team	Win	Loss	HHC 173RD SCOUTS	5	4
DESTINED CO	9	2	HHC MEDICS 2/503RD	2	8
464TH MP PLT	7	4	C 106TH FMCO	0	2

The 2011 USAG-Vicenza Unit/Recreational Dodge Ball League matches are Tuesday and Thursday at 6 and 6:40 p.m. Call the Fitness Center for specifics at 634-7009.

### COMMUNITY UNIT/REC OPEN PLAY VOLLEYBALL

Team	Win	Loss	USARAF #2	3	6
USARAF #1	10	0	DELTA CO	0	8
MONTALVO & CO	5	4			

The 2011 USAG-Vicenza Unit/Recreational Volleyball League matches are Tuesday and Thursday at 6 and 7 p.m. Call the Fitness Center for specifics at 634-7009.

**Self defense classes**  
April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and self defense classes are being offered by Army Community Services for all ages. The classes will be every Saturday in April from noon-2 p.m. at the fitness center. Space is limited. Call the victim advocate coordinator for a reservation at 634-6269/7500.

**Post soccer game**  
The Vicenza post soccer team with play against Club Peru, Saturday at 2 p.m. on the North 40 Football Field.

**Unit & rec play**  
New players are always welcome. Call 634-7009 or individual POCs.

**Basketball:** 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for six or more, fitness center.

**Volleyball:** 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays for eight or more players, fitness center.

**Men's Soccer:** 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for 10 or more players at the turf field behind the Ederle Inn. Email [shaun.nurse@amedd.army.mil](mailto:shaun.nurse@amedd.army.mil) or call 636-9648/9120.

**Women's Soccer:** 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays for eight or more players at the turf field behind the Ederle Inn. Email [sr\\_brasher@yahoo.com](mailto:sr_brasher@yahoo.com) or call 634-8925.

**Frisbee golf:** pickup game, 6 p.m. Wednesdays on the North 40 field.

**Recreational leagues**  
**Recreational Softball** registration is open. Coaches meeting will be April 28 at 2 p.m. in the Fitness Center Conference room. Call 634-7009 for information.

**Softball tryouts**  
Men's Post Level Softball tryouts are Saturday at 10 a.m. on the softball field. Athletes should be at the field by 9:30 a.m. There are only 15 slots available. For information, call Alex Ruiz at 634-6151.

**Rugby tryouts**  
Rugby Team tryouts and practice is ongoing at the Sports Field Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. They are looking for players and coaches.

**Indoor Soccer Tourney**  
5-on-5, May 6-7, maximum of eight players per team. Awards include coaches, individual and team for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. Submit your roster to the Fitness Center by April 27. Coaches meeting will be May 3 at 6 p.m. on the North 40 basketball court.

**Racquetball Clinic**  
May 7, 9 a.m. at the Fitness Center Racquetball Courts.