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Vicenza PTSA is sponsoring a spring carnival May 6 at the Villaggio School from 6-9 p.m. Join in the fun, games, food and prizes.

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Caserma Ederle pitches in during 'Earth Week'

*Directorate of Public Works
Environmental Division*

The U.S. Army Garrison, Vicenza joined the celebration of Earth Day with a whole week of festivities from April 18-Friday.

This year's Earth Week celebration kicked off with a tree planting at Vicenza Elementary and Middle School. Dozens of elementary and middle school students helped plant trees in front of the elementary school.

Other highlights of the week include tours to the Garrison Eco Center and a discussion on how recycling is about more than just doing the right thing. There were tours of the Co-Generation Plant, and Directorate of Logistics and Fire Department displays on water and oil conservation in the Installation Materiel Maintenance Activity parking area for Department of Defense Dependant School students. This year featured the very first "Trashion show" at Villaggio Elementary-Middle School. An Earth Week Booth with information material and handouts was at the post exchange.

Students from the elementary and middle schools submitted art, essays and poems on "What Earth Day Means to Me" and the Army's Earth Day theme "Sustaining the Environment for a Secure Future." The awards ceremony was held in the Health Clinic courtyard. Prizes, donated by the Army and Air Force Exchange Service and Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, were given out to the winners.



Photo by Laura Kreider

Col. William Pfeffer, U.S. Army Africa, assists Jayden Gronweldt, Ryan McFarlane, Jordan Moldenhauer and Rodrigo Ortega during the Tree Planting ceremony held at Vicenza Elementary/ Middle School April 19. The tree planting kicked off the celebration of Earth Week for Caserma Ederle. To see more Earth Week photos, see page 4.

Earth Day was celebrated with the ribbon cutting ceremony of the "Children's Nature Park" followed by Earth Day information provided by the elementary and middle school students and teachers, and arts and crafts for the kids provided by DFMWR Arts and Crafts Center. More trees were planted along with ceramic totem poles installed by

the elementary and middle school students along with Martina Hogg, wife of Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg, commanding general, U.S. Army Africa; Col. William Pfeffer, USARAF, and Chuck Walls, USAG Vicenza deputy commander.

Each year, the Army celebrates Earth Day
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Vicenza community members tour Israel with chapel

By Lt. Col. Stephanie Tutton
U.S. Army Africa SGS

Thirty-nine members of the Caserma Ederle community left Italy bound for the holy land April 7. Specifically, the group was headed for Israel. The group was to be educated about the history, the people, and maybe see a camel or two, before heading into the Easter celebration.

The group arrived in Tel Aviv with Chap. Jose Herrera and headed for Nazareth to spend the first few days. While in Nazareth, they visited the Basilica of the Annunciation and traveled to Mount Tabor for views of the countryside. During the first afternoon, several of the couples renewed their wedding vows in the town of Cana of Galilee where, according the gospel of St. John, Jesus turned water into wine at a wedding feast. The next day they visited the Sea of Galilee, and site of the multiplication of the loaves and fish at Tabgha. Herrera surprised them with their own celebration of the loaves. The group later visited the ruins of the Synagogue in Capernaum, known today as the "hometown of Jesus." The day ended with a boat trip across the Sea of Galilee and a meal of hummus and fish at the hotel.

The group then headed south to spend a few days in Jerusalem, but not before stopping in Qumran to see where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found. After a walk through a museum, the group stopped for a few minutes of floating in the Dead Sea for rejuvenation and a few enjoyed a self-service full body Dead Sea



Courtesy photo

Members of a Caserma Ederle group prepare to visit the women's section of the Western Wall in Jerusalem. From the left, Lt. Col. Stephanie Tutton, Barbara Tutton, Jennifer Arca, Selina Conant, Emilia Grillo and Carmen Tanner.

mudbath.

The visit to Jerusalem was packed with a visit to the Sanctuary of Olives, Church of the Ascension, Garden of Gethsemani, Tomb of Mary and a walk through the old city. The Dan Jerusalem Hotel

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Local teen selected for youth award

by Tom Hlavacek
Special to the Outlook

Milan Juliano was selected as the first alternate of the 2010 IMCOM-Europe Youth of the Year. Twelve Army Garrisons from Europe first selected their local garrison winners, then the garrisons competed Europe-wide.

According to Ingrid Ruffo, IMCOM-E CYSS program specialist, "The competition was close. There was a panel of judges that rated the candidates throughout Europe."

Natalie Ruiz Castillo of Kaiserslautern, Germany, was the winner, while Gregory Reyes, Garmisch, Germany placed third. The winner will now complete worldwide in the Greater Boys and Girls Clubs of America YOY program.

Whether Milan is playing bass guitar in the school jazz band, serving as vice president for the 2010-2011 Vicenza High School student council or leading her team to victory as captain at the 2010 Department of Defense Dependant School's Europe volleyball champion, Milan takes an active role as a leader. She is currently the starting fullback on the VHS soccer team. She was the captain of the VHS Volleyball Team that won the European bronze medal.

VHS athletic director Adam Ridgley said, "In the nine years I have been here, this is the best finish for our girls. Milan's skill and work ethic had a lot to do with that finish."

Milan was selected for 1st team All-Europe. Before the season she attended training camps, working out five days a week. One of her goals was to be in the best shape of her life before the season and she was.

After the varsity season, Milan volunteered to help teach more than 30 middle school participants, encouraging physical activity to fight childhood obesity and learn lifetime skills. This Child, Youth and School Services after school program was



Photo courtesy

Milan Juliano, Vicenza High School student, was selected as the first alternate of the 2010 Installation Management Command-Europe Youth of the Year. Juliano participates in numerous sports and serves in many leadership roles.

enthusiastically received, according to participants.

Stars and Stripes newspaper issue October 21, 2010, stated Juliano was selected for the second time as the Athlete of the Week.

VHS coach Chance Wilson was quoted stating "I was not surprised by the patience or performance by the senior standout."

Wilson wrote, "She's a devoted team player with strong character and firm values." Her attitude inspires teammates and overcomes physical obstacles, according to Wilson.

Women's health is focus during week

By Elizabeth Amaya
U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza

There are 365 days in a year. Taking just one day to focus on your health could add years to your life.

This is the time when women across the country are reminded to take small, manageable steps for a longer, healthier and happier life. National Women's Checkup Day, May 9, was created to improve health and lower the risk of certain diseases, as a part of National Women's Health Week.

To celebrate National Women's Checkup Day, the Health Center will be performing Pap tests May 9. Schedule an appointment by calling 0444-61-9160. Free coupons for exercise classes will be given to those patients who get their cervical cancer screening (Papanicolaou test or "Pap") on that day. Women who have screening exams the second week of May will be eligible to win one of three baskets, courtesy of the OB/GYN Clinic. They will have a subject matter expert answering questions at the Wellness Center May 10.

For more information about women's health and recommended screenings for all ages, check out the national website at <http://www.womenshealth.gov/whw/index.cfm>.

Join the 16 women from Vicenza who have taken the pledge to improve their health by clicking on "Take the Pledge" and check out the pledge numbers around the country.

TOUR: group visits Israel's sites

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was preparing for Passover and the group was able to experience a kosher meal. The next morning they visited the Western Wall and walked through the Jewish Quarter. Then in the afternoon, they went up to Mount Zion and eventually found their way through the Via Dolorosa to the site known as "Golgotha" and to the tomb of Jesus.

There were numerous stops and visits along the route, each spiritually rewarding in its own way, according to those on the tour.

Did you know USAG Vicenza is on Twitter and Facebook? Get all the important updates and event information by searching for us.

Speak Out

What is your favorite TV show and why?



Tiana Clausel
Family member

"I love to watch 'SpongeBob SquarePants.' SpongeBob is just a funny show and the songs are catchy."



Kameron Curtis
Family member

"I enjoy watching 'NCIS' because it is funny and it has action scenes."



Michael Morris
MWR School Age Center

"I enjoy 'The Office.' Michael is the world's best boss."



Sophia Perry
Family member

"'Good Luck Charlie' and 'Victorious.' I like the stories and they are funny."



Sgt. Daniel Szarek
AFN Vicenza

"Sports are always good, especially around playoff time. I also like dramas like 'House' and 'CSI.'"

By Laura Kreider

Army email users prepare for transfer of service

509th Signal Battalion

During 2011, Army email users will transition to an Army Enterprise Email service managed by the Defense Information Systems Agency. Instead of accessing email through local email servers, users will access email services from centralized servers, known as the Department of Defense cloud. This new approach provides significant capability improvements for email users.

5th Signal Command (Theater), headquartered on Wiesbaden Army Airfield, will oversee the Enterprise Email transition starting later this Spring for all “@eur.army.mil” users, unclassified and classified, in U.S. Army Europe, U.S. Army Africa, European Command and Africa Command.

“This initiative is a big step forward as we continue to transform and improve communications for our warfighters and valued regional customers,” said Brig. Gen. Jeffrey G. Smith Jr., commander, 5th Signal Command.

The 509th Signal Battalion, headquartered on Caserma Ederle, will provide the end user community guidance on actions required of them in preparation for the migration, while concurrently providing unit information technology support community, including systems administrators and information management officers training to support their customers. Training of the IT community will occur through

regularly scheduled IMO meetings.

This move will bring the following improvements and perks to the overall email experience:

- ◆ The Global Address List will be expanded to include all DoD forces. All DoD users of Enterprise Email will be able to locate anyone in any branch of the military directly from their Microsoft Exchange address book.
- ◆ 4 gigabytes of on-line email storage – 40 times the current 100 megabyte limit, at no additional cost.
- ◆ Everyone is assigned a new email address that will stay with them wherever they go, to include change of duty station and unit relocations.
- ◆ Anytime, anywhere access from any authorized, Common Access Card – enabled computer.
- ◆ Access to email from anywhere, at any time, from any authorized device.
- ◆ Share individual, organizational, and resource calendars across the enterprise.
- ◆ Send emails with larger attachments than currently allowed.
- ◆ Web-based email for those not directly connected to the EUR network.

Enterprise Email is one part of the Army Chief of Staff’s Global Network Enterprise Construct that aims to transform and consolidate LandWarNet computer services, networks and data into one secure and well-organized environment.

EARTH: activities during week for all

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at approximately 200 major commands, installations and organizations in the continental United States and around the world. This year marked the 41st anniversary of Earth Day which, according to research, was founded in 1970 by U.S. Senator Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin to raise appreciation for the environment.

The Army has celebrated Earth Day since 1995 and encourages military and civilian personnel, their families and community members to be responsible stewards of our environment.

How can you do to make a difference?

The USAG Vicenza ECO Center offers these ideas:

- ◆ Use less water. Fix leaks and turn off the tap when brushing your teeth.
- ◆ Save electricity. Do a home energy audit, buy Energy Star products, turn stuff off when you’re done and change your bulbs to compact fluorescents.
- ◆ Commute without polluting. Use public transportation, carpool, walk, bike, or use electric vehicles whenever possible to reduce air pollution and save on fuel costs.
- ◆ Reduce, Reuse and Recycle properly. Getting the correct recyclable materials into the correct recycling containers can help save Army dollars, so they can be put to use for something other than disposing of waste.
- ◆ eCycle. Take your old personal computer, DVD player, or other electronics to the ECO Center. This helps keep hazardous substances out of landfills.



Above: Ceramic totem poles are installed by elementary and middle school students Friday during an Earth Day activity following the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Children’s Nature Park. At left, children also planted trees during the ceremony on Caserma Ederle for the opening of the park. This multi-year project will encompass the area around the Central Processing Facility.

Photos by Vincenzo Di Somma

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Easter workshop:

The Vicenza Protestant Chapel Community conducted an Easter Workshop for Families on Friday at the Spiritual Fitness Center, next to the Arena. The event featured 10 stations in which children and parents could enjoy colorful Easter Crafts, a Resurrection Egg interactive story, watch child-appropriate videos about Easter, enjoy refreshments and receive a free Easter story book and information about religious programs on the post.

Community Camera

Earth Week



Eco tour: Vicenza Elementary School students visit the Eco Center April 20 and learn the basics of waste separation as a part of the Earth Week activities.



Trashion show: Participants in the "Trashion show" pose in front of judges at the VES-VMS multipurpose room to celebrate Earth Day April 21. Participants created clothing from recycled materials and four students won in different categories.



Photos by Laura Kreider

Info booth: DPW Environmental Division Giovanni Albanese, environmental engineer, right, provides information on Earth Day and hand out giveaways to Rebecca Thorpe and her 22-month-old son Logan at the Earth Week Booth outside the PX April 20.



Eggstravaganza: Children pose with the Easter Bunny during the Eggstravaganza activities Saturday. Other activities during the day included making an Easter basket, face painting and snacks.

Photo courtesy of the Vicenza USO



Photo by Laura Kreider

Papermaking: Ginger Pfeffer, left, assists some children during the papermaking as part of the Month of the Military Child activities April 21. The Art Center held activities each Thursday during the month.

How did a bunny end up hiding eggs?



Children race to find Easter eggs at the Community Family Picnic and Egg Hunt held at Camp Darby April 23.

Story and photos by Chiara Mattiolo

USAG Livorno Public Affairs

Camp Darby community members gathered for the Community Family Picnic and Egg Hunt April 23.

While the adults sat back and enjoyed free food, the children were excited and anxious to pick up as many eggs as possible once the Easter Bunny arrived.

Some of the kids were curious about the bunny and how it ended up that a bunny delivers eggs on Easter.

"I think there is some kind of magic," said Noah Sindecuse. "Sometimes I find yellow stuff in the eggs, sometimes chocolate or candies and this is kind of magic too."

Noah was promptly corrected by his friend, Isabella Marra.

"No, there's no magic," she said. "The point is that the bunny took the eggs from a chicken nest."

Another child thought that the mother chicken, after she had her babies, had extra eggs and gave them to the bunny because he is really kind and will give them to all the children in the world.

Otis Newton, U.S. Army Garrison Livorno deputy commander, remarked, "This is one of the major community events that allow us to share our traditions with our Italian neighbors and friends. There's no better way to kick off spring than bringing kids, eggs and the Easter Bunny all together."



Sabrina Cicchitti and her daughter, Elettra, search for eggs.

Darby Dates

Visit the community calendar for upcoming events and details at www.usag.livorno.army.mil

Community Yard Sale

Call 633-7855 to schedule your table at the DCC for the yard sale May 7.

Asian Pacific Heritage

Asian Pacific Heritage Month committee meeting are every Monday in May at 3 p.m. in the ACS Yellow Ribbon Room.

Summer Hire

731 MUNS has a summer hire position available at Camp Darby beginning June 20.

Individuals may submit their applications for the 2011 Summer Hire Program at www.31fss.com or call 632-7307.

School Registration

Pre-register new and returning students for school year 2011/12 mornings at the Elementary School until May 20.

Army Community Service

- ◆ Have you feed your pig today? (money saving class), May 5
 - ◆ Military Spouse Appreciation Day ice cream social at 11:30 a.m. at the Commissary, May 6
 - ◆ Sponsorship training, May 10
 - ◆ Card making class, May 11
 - ◆ Ready to PCS? May 11
- Call 633-7084 to learn about these programs.

Fitness Center

- ◆ Free Hatha Yoga Mondays, 5:15 p.m. & Wednesdays, noon
 - ◆ Free Spinning with Nicole Tuesdays at 11:15 a.m. and Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.
- Call 633-7438.

Youth Services

- ◆ Parent's Night Out and Kick Back Night, May 21
- Call 633-7629

ITR trips

- ITR is offering the following upcoming trips. Call 633-7589.
- ◆ Cavallino Matto, May 7
 - ◆ Florence, May 14
 - ◆ Cinque Terre, May 21

Outdoor Recreation

- Call 633-7775
- ◆ Pool and beach seasonal passes now available.
 - ◆ Paint ball tournament, May 7

Darby Community Club

- ◆ Mother's Day Brunch, May 8
- ◆ Summer kick-off barbecue party at Fest tent May 14

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
 Sign up or volunteer for Vacation Bible school June 27-July 1.

Community Camera

Check out who stars in the Photo of the Day on www.usag.livorno.army.mil

Tourism lesson:

Students from the Professional State Institute for Hotel Service, commercial and tourism ask Casa Toscana manager Barbara Kyrlo more about how Camp Darby's lodging site is run during their visit to Camp Darby April 6.

Photo by Joyce Costello



Photo by Chiara Mattiolo

Free yoga: The fitness center now offers free Hatha yoga classes Wednesdays at noon and Mondays at 5:15 p.m.

National Scout Leadership tours Camp Darby:

Members of the Boy Scouts of America National Leadership visited the Transatlantic Council headquarters at Camp Darby April 11. Robert Mazzuca, chief scout executive, poses for a photo with the local scouts.

"It is a great honor to be here in Italy where my origins are," Mazzuca said. "It really moves my heart when I see the pride in scouts and particularly in military scouts".

Also visiting was Wayne Brock, assistant chief scout executive.

Photo by Chiara Mattiolo



Medieval Fest:

The festival Saturday and Sunday in Montecchio Maggiore, about 7 miles southwest of Vicenza will feature spit roast meat, soups, spicy drinks and historical re-enactments.



Courtesy photo

- ♦ June 10: Negramaro with special guests
 - ♦ June 11: Vasco with 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
- Gods of Metal:** June 22 in Milan, Arena
- Bob Dylan and his Band:** June 22 in Milan, Alacatraz
- 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.
- Sting:** July 29 in Venice, Piazza San Marco
- Tickets available in Vicenza at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center or at www.greenticket.it/index.html?imposta_lingua=ing or <http://www.ticketone.it/EN/>.

Local events

Medieval Festival:

Saturday and Sunday, in Montecchio Maggiore, about 7 miles southwest of Vicenza.

- ♦ Saturday: 6 p.m.–midnight dinner under the stars in Piazza del Municipio. Typical Medieval Dinner with jugglers, fire eaters and medieval music. Belly dancers show.

- ♦ Sunday: 11:30 a.m.-7 p.m. Historical re-enactment at the Romeo and Juliet Castles. Visit a typical military encampment and medieval hamlet with pilgrims, mendicants, dice players, stilt walkers, friars and medieval music played on period instruments. Local craft exhibit and market. Medieval tavern featuring spit roast meat, aromatic soups, spicy drinks and other medieval specialties.

Old Districts Festival:

Saturday-Sunday, 9 a.m.-7 p.m. in Romano D'Ezzelino, Via Roma and surrounding roads, about 26 miles north of Vicenza.

- ♦ Friday: 7:30 p.m. food booths; 9 p.m. Miss Palio 2011 contest. The winner will participate in the Miss Vicenza Province beauty contest.

- ♦ Saturday: 7:30 p.m. food booths; live music and ballroom dancing with I Vegas.

- ♦ Sunday: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2:30-7 p.m. visit the old districts on foot or by free shuttle bus and see re-enactments of old trades in farmers' homes, barnyards and fields. Ancient folk Veneto dances, esoteric medieval shows. In case of inclement weather, the event will be postponed to May 8, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Food booths featuring local specialties open at 11:30 a.m. Live music and ballroom dancing with I California at 9 p.m.

San Marco Festival:

Friday-Monday, in Montegaldà, about 12 miles southeast of Vicenza. Food booths open at 7 p.m.; local products and crafts market; carnival rides and charity raffle.

Rose Festival:

Friday-Tuesday, in Albettonè, Piazza Ortigara, about 17 miles south of Vicenza. Fair trade market, food booths featuring grilled quail and other local specialties; carnival rides, charity raffle and skeet shooting simulator.

Rice Festival:

Friday-Monday, in Grantortino,

Villa Tacchi, via Giuseppe Garibaldi 15, about 8 miles east of Vicenza. Local rice exhibit and sale. Food booths featuring asparagus risotto and grilled meat.

Saint George Festival:

Friday-Monday, in Quinto Vicentino, Via degli Eroi, about 8 miles northeast of Vicenza. Carnival rides and charity raffle.

Food booths at 8 p.m. each night; live music and dancing at 9 p.m. each night; Monday night at 11 p.m. will be fireworks.

Asparagus Festival:

Thursday-Sunday, in Cassola, Piazza di San Zeno, about 21 miles northeast of Vicenza. Food booths and bounce houses.

Asparagus Festival:

Saturday-Sunday, in Marola, Torri di Quartesolo, at the Church Recreation Center, Viale Vittoria, about 5 miles east of Vicenza. 6:30 p.m. food booths featuring asparagus specialties; 8 p.m. live music and dancing.

Waters' Festival:

Saturday-Sunday, in Bassano del Grappa, Villa Roberti, Via Jacopo da Ponte 34, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza.

- ♦ Saturday: 10 a.m. exhibit of local wines and oils with wine and oil tasting; noon – 9 p.m. food booths; 2:30 p.m. local crafts exhibit and entertainment with the folk group "I Ruspanti," 4 p.m. cheese making demonstration; award ceremony for best wine and oil.

- ♦ Sunday: 10 a.m. exhibit of local wines and oils with wine and oil tasting; noon – 9 p.m. food booths; 2:30 p.m. local crafts exhibit and entertainment with the folk group "I Ruspanti," 3:30 p.m. Montegrappa choir performance; 6 p.m. cheese making demonstration.

Saint Joseph Festival:

Saturday-Sunday, in Monte di Malo, about 14 miles northwest of Vicenza.

Country Remember Festival:

Saturday-Sunday, in Torri di Quartesolo, Via Roma, about 5 miles southeast of Vicenza. Food and drink booths open at 6 p.m. American vehicles and motorcycles parade, and mechanical bull. Free to U.S. Military ID cardholders.

Flavors of Berici Hills

Friday-Monday, in Longare, sports center, Via dei Martinelli 1,

about 7 miles south of Vicenza. Food booths featuring calf liver with polenta and other local specialties; bounce houses for children.

Electric and Acoustic Collectable Guitars National Festival:

Friday-Sunday, in Soave, about 21 miles west of Vicenza.

For a schedule of events, email anna.terracino@eur.army.mil.

Spring Festival:

Sunday, 8 a.m.-9 p.m., in Marostica, Piazza Castello, about 18 miles north of Vicenza. Antique and used items market, paintings exhibit, live music.

A Century of History:

Saturday at 10:30 a.m., "Bortolan" Middle School, Bertessinella, Vicenza, Via Piovene.

Play performed by the amateur theatrical company of La Fraglia, an institute for the disabled. An English script is available. To request it, email anna.terracino@eur.army.mil.

FREE concerts, exhibits & events

Sculpture/painting exhibit

Renato Meneghetti paintings and sculptures exhibit: ongoing through July 3, in Bassano del Grappa, Palazzo Agostinelli, Via Barbieri 34, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza. Tuesday-Friday 3-7 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday and holidays 10 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-7 p.m. For more info in English, visit http://www.meneghettirenato.com/bio/annexes_eng.php.

River of Wood exhibit:

Ongoing through May 22, in Bassano del Grappa, Palazzo Bonaguro, Via Angarano 77. 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 3-7 p.m. It shows the work that took place along the Brenta River, where the tree trunks were carried from the Primiero woods to the Venetian lagoon for its shipbuilding industry.

13th Ceramic Eggs exhibition:

Each year Nove celebrates Easter with an exhibition of Ceramic Eggs made by Italian pottery artists. Ongoing through Sunday, Museum of Ceramics,

Piazza De Fabris 5, about 18 miles north of Vicenza. Open Saturday, Sunday and Italian holidays, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 3-7 p.m.

Contemporary art exhibition:

Ongoing through Tuesday, 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.

Concerts

Shakira: Monday in Casalecchio di Reno; Tuesday in Assago, Milan

Sade: May 6 in Assago, Milan, Mediolanum Forum

Delain: May 9 in Milan

Steve Hackett: May 11 in Milan; May 12 in Bologna; May 13 in Rome

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

- ♦ June 9: Coldplay with special guests

ODR trips

Visit Cinque Terre, May 7-8
Kayak Lake Garda, May 8
Ride the Nice and Cannes Express, May 14

Bike Brenta River, all-levels, May 14

Visit Turin and Venaria Reale, May 21

Lake Como Tour, May 22
Croatia SCUBA open water dive trip, May 23

Barcelona, Spain, for Memorial Day, May 26-30, deadline to sign up is May 9.

All trips need to be booked in person. See the complete ODR schedule online at www.VicenzaMWR.com.

Now Showing

Ederle Theater

Friday	Justin Bieber: Never Say Never (G)	6 p.m.
	I Am Number Four (PG 13)	9 p.m.
Saturday	Gnomeo & Juliet (PG)	3 p.m.
	Water for Elephants (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Sunday	Gnomeo & Juliet (PG)	3 p.m.
	Water for Elephants (PG 13)	6 p.m.
May 6	TBD	6 p.m.
	TBD	9 p.m.

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

Camp Darby Theater

Friday	Gnomeo & Juliet (G)	6 p.m.
Saturday	Arthur (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Sunday	Justin Bieber: Never Say Never (G)	1 p.m.
May 6	Unknown (PG 13)	6 p.m.

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

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

Special events

- ♦ Family and MWR celebrates the return of our deployed Soldiers with a Welcome Home Party Saturday 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. For more information and a map of the festival area visit www.vicenzaMWR.com. Note that Arts and Crafts, Auto Skills and the Arena will be closed the day of the event. In support of the Welcome Home event, the Ederle Inn parking lot will be blocked off. Guests should use the front parking lot with a pass provided by the Hotel Desk. The road behind the Ederle Inn leading to the Eco Center will be barricaded April 28-Sunday.
- ♦ Bring your spouse to the Golden Lion for Casino Night May 7, 7-11 p.m. for Military Spouse Appreciation Day. The event features casino games, music, prizes and couples can be remarried by "Elvis," Vegas-style. The cost is \$10 on WebTrac. Call 634-5087 for more info.

Soldiers' Theatre

Local musicians and music lovers gather May 6 at 7 p.m. for Music Café. Sit back and just listen or join the fun on stage yourself. Light refreshments are available. Call 634-7281 if you would like to perform.

Arts and Crafts

- ♦ Don't miss your last chance to work with ceramics instructor Tami Howell with her last set of classes occurring throughout the month of May. Both adult and children's classes available; sign up now to reserve your spot.
- ♦ With all the opportunities to travel in Europe, why not take the upcoming Travel Photography class to learn more about taking great travel photos? No experience necessary. Class begins Tuesday and runs every Tuesday from 5-7 p.m. through May 24. From Wednesday-May 25, 1-2:30 p.m. learn how to make any moment special and capture it with your camera, in the class "How to Photograph your Life." Call 634-7074 for more information.

Thrift Shop

- ♦ The Thrift Shop will be open May 7 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Did you know that you can consign electronics and gently used household goods at the Thrift Shop? Stop by to pick up a list of items they are currently accepting and to schedule an appointment.
- ♦ 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.

Recognition ceremony

If you have completed a degree or certificate, or are within 12 semester hours of completing your degree, you can participate in the USAG Vicenza 2011 Graduation/Recognition Ceremony May 13 at 10 a.m. in the Golden Lion. To participate, contact the Vicenza Education Center to RSVP before Monday. Call 634-8933 or email vicenza.edcenter@us.army.mil

Estate Claim

Anyone having any claims on or obligations to the estate of SPC Matthew Allen Spoon, Chosen Company, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Parachute Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, should contact the Summary Court Officer, 1st Lt. Brian Caldwell at 634-8723 or brian.caldwell3@eur.army.mil.

CYS Services

- ♦ The HIRED! Apprenticeship summer term is May 30-Aug. 19. Teens can get real work experience in a job that interests them. The program also offers a flexible schedule and they can earn a cash award. The Application Deadline is May 13. Call 634-7615 for more information.
- ♦ Family Child Care Providers are needed. You can earn income while staying at home with your children. Receive free training by professional support staff and supplies and equipment to get you started. Substitute care givers are also needed. Make a difference in the lives of children and families. Call the FCC Director at 634-7615 or 634-5700 or email fcc@vicenzamwr.com.

- ♦ Join the Youth Center for an exciting day at Gardaland amusement park May 7. All Middle School and High School students in grades 6-12 are encouraged to sign up before May 6. Cost is \$35. Call 634-7659 for more information.

- ♦ Visit www.vicenzamwr.com for a complete listing or call Parent Central Services at 634-7219.

ACS

- ♦ To deliver the most effective programs and services, ACS needs information from you. Assist them by completing the Community Needs Assessment Survey. Stop by ACS or go online to www.myarmyonesource.com/survey_USAG_Vicenza.

- ♦ The Yellow Ribbon Room located at ACS was created for spouses/families of deployed Soldiers. As of Sunday, it will resume regular business hours, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Mondays thru Fridays. The facility will be closed on weekends. Other computer services available after regular business hours are located at the B.O.S.S. Lounge, Post Library and USO. For more information, contact these organizations directly.

- ♦ The 2011 Army Emergency Relief Campaign ends 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 Community Volunteer Recognition Ceremony is Wednesday, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. at the Golden Lion. All registered volunteers with hours logged into the VMIS system on www.myarmyonesource.com are invited to attend the Luncheon & Recognition Ceremony. RSVP to ACS at 0444 71-7500 by Friday.

- ♦ Youth Volunteer Recognition Barbeque is May 10 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at CYSS Teen Center. The ceremony begins at 5 p.m. with a barbeque reception to follow. All

registered youth volunteers with hours logged into the VMIS system on www.myarmyonesource.com are invited to attend the Barbeque & Recognition Ceremony. RSVP to ACS at 0444 71-7500 by May 9.

Library

Give mom something special for Mother's Day. Come to the Library and decorate a flower pot for her favorite flowers, Wednesday, 3:30-4:30 p.m. All materials are provided free. Sign up at the Library desk before May 3.

Improve GT score

The next FAST class begins May 16. Call 634-8933 for information.

VCC Flea Market

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 to reserve a spot. Each lined parking spot is \$20.

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.

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.

Alcoholics Anonymous

AA meetings are Wednesdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the ASAP, building 169.

It is an open meeting and anyone can come to learn about AA's 12 step recovery. There are no requirements except confidentiality.

Religious activities

Chaplain Crisis Line

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

Sunday services

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

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

9 a.m.: Protestant Sunday school and AWANAs (September-May at "Spiritual Fitness Center", Bldg. 395 behind the Arena)

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

11 a.m.: Protestant worship

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

5 p.m.: Contemporary Christian service

Mondays

Noon: LDS scripture study

Tuesdays

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

Wednesdays

3 p.m.: Praise dance practice

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

5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice

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

5:30 p.m.: High School Club Beyond meets at the Teen Center for dinner; meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. September-May. Call 340-139-4073 for information

5:30 p.m.: Catholic choir practice

6:45 p.m.: Gospel choir practice

Thursdays

9:30 a.m.: Catholic Women of the Chapel

5:30 p.m.: Gospel service choir rehearsal

7:15 p.m.: Gospel service Bible study

Faith group contacts

Islamic: Call 634-7519 (0444-71-7519) for info

Jewish: Call Paul Levine at 345-907-2108

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

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



Photo by Laura Kreider

Music Cafe: Local musicians perform at the Music Cafe. The next Music Cafe will be May 7 starting at 7 p.m. at Soldiers' Theatre. Sit back and enjoy the music or jump on stage and join in the fun during the free event. Light refreshments are served. Call 634-7281 if you would like to perform.

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

USARAF wins volleyball champs

By Tom Hlavacek
Special to the Outlook

John Bologa, Luis Febles-Olivieras and Chris Hirata combined for 10 kills and James Watson threw up an ace as U.S. Army Africa kept their perfect 13-0 record alive capturing the annual Garrison volleyball championship.

Following the game, team captain Bologa said, "Eddie King had a good night at the net from post to post. And Tim Eye worked the floor communicating with his team and handling the setting."

In the championships, Delta, 1/503rd was the only team to win a match from USARAF the entire season. Final scores were 24-26, 25-14, 15-10.

Bologa said, "We were successful because the team showed up every week and the players were dedicated throughout the season."

Tournament bronze medalists were USARAF #2, and Team Montalvo placed 4th.

Next up is the IMCOM-Europe Unit-Level Volleyball Championships, May 14-15, at Patton Barracks, in Heidelberg, Germany. The top active-duty Soldier volleyball players USAREUR-wide will converge and compete in a round-robin format and then play a double elimination tournament. For additional information, contact Mark Juliano, Sports, Fitness, and Aquatics director at 634-6240.



Above, Timothy Eye prepares to block the ball during the post volleyball finals April 21. At right, John Bologa, U.S. Army Africa, team #1 volleyball team captain, serves the ball during the championship game April 21.



Photos by Laura Kreider

Self defense:

Students learn an Israeli hand-to-hand combat technique called Commando Krav Maga during Self Defense class April 9. The classes were offered as part of the Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Last Saturday was the final class.



Photo by Laura Kreider

COMMUNITY UNIT/REC OPEN PLAY DODGE BALL

Team	Win	Loss		
DESTINED CO	13	2	HHC 173RD SCOUTS	3 4
464TH MP PLT	7	4	HHC MEDICS 2/503RD	2 8
HHC BDE 173RD	5	8	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.

Bike safety rodeo
Sports, Fitness and Aquatics teamed up with Outdoor Recreation for a Bike Safety Rodeo for the whole family, in the Commissary parking lot May 7, noon-3 p.m. Bring your bikes for a free inspection and learn the rules of the road, then try out the mini "chalk street" course. Call 634-6240 for information.

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 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 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.

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

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

Female softball
Participants and coaches for softball must be at least 18 years old and out of high school. For those interested contact Janet Geisler at 634-5033.

40 and older basketball
For those interested in playing against a men's Italian 40 and older team, contact Sports, Fitness & Aquatics at 634-7009 or 7616, and leave your contact information.

Softball Tourney
The preseason tournament May 6 will include individual awards for 1st and 2nd place plus there is a Home Run Derby at 6 p.m. with 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards. Opening Ceremony is at 3 p.m. and all teams need to be present by 2:30 p.m. Sign up deadline is Tuesday. Call 634-7009.