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A 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team Soldier completes the last few miles of 12-mile road march, the final event of the 173rd's Expert Infantryman's Badge qualification at Grafenwoehr Training Area, Germany, June 22.

Story and photos by Spc. Michael Sword 173rd ABCT PAO

After weeks of training and five days of testing, land navigation, more than 30 tasks and 12 miles of marching, 211 Sky Soldiers from the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team earned the title of Expert Infantryman. A ceremony was held at Grafenwoehr Training Area in Germany on June 22 for the awardees.

The Expert Infantryman's Badge was established in 1943 and it has been coveted by infantrymen ever since. However, this

batch of paratroopers from the 173rd's three maneuver battalions, 1st and 2nd Battalions, 503rd Infantry Regiment, its Headquarters and Headquarters Company, as well as 1st Squadron, 91st Cavalry Regt., fought through a new testing system, EIB 21 and came out on top. This was the first brigade combat team in the Army to graduate more than 200 Soldiers, including 16 "true blues," who passed without receiving any no-go marks on a task.

"The Army has changed the whole system," said Command Sgt. Maj. Nicholas Rolling, 173rd brigade command sergeant major. "It's formulated on the basic

fundamentals of individual tasks. The individual has to utilize the scenario and the time prescribed to him and manage it accordingly."

Along with the Army Physical Fitness Test, day and night land navigation courses, the EIB 21 testing phase splits the remaining 30-plus tasks throughout three lanes: a patrol lane, an urban lane and a tactical control-point lane.

"The old way had 30 core tasks that you had to do and there was no flexibility," said Master Sgt. Octavis Smiley, the test support officer for EIB, from the U.S. Army Infantry

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Email changes coming to Europe improve experience

5th Signal Command Public Affairs Office

WIESBADEN, Germany — Those using @eur.army.mil will be migrating to the global email system called Enterprise Email, changing to @mail.mil starting in July.

5th Signal Command (Theater), headquartered on Wiesbaden Army Airfield, will oversee the Enterprise Email transition in U.S. Army Europe, U.S. Army Africa, European Command and Africa Command.

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

The Global Address List will be expanded to include all Department of Defense 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. Outlook mailboxes will increase to 4GB. Everyone will be assigned a new email address that will stay with them wherever they go, to include change of duty station and unit relocations.

Examples for active duty will be: *john.mi.doe.mil@mail.mil*.

Civilian email will be *john.mi.doe.civ@mail.mil* and contractors will be *john.mi.doe.ctr@mail.mil*.

Anytime, anywhere access from any authorized, Common Access Card enabled computer will be one feature.

Sharing of individual, organizational and resource calendars across the enterprise are another.

Enterprise email is one part of the Army Chief of Staff's goals to transform and consolidate LandWarNet computer services, networks and data into one secure and well-organized environment.

"This migration will improve Army and eventually all DoD, operations and mission effectiveness by significantly increasing email storage, enabling access to a global DoD address list, providing a permanent email address regardless of location or station, saving millions of dollars in FY13 and beyond by eliminating and consolidating hardware and data storage redundancies," said Brig. Gen. Jeffrey G. Smith, Jr., commander, 5th Signal Command.

Users can prepare personally for this email service change by

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Opinion & Editorial

An American holiday celebrated on foreign soil

Commentary by Julie M. Lucas Outlook editor

omedian Jim Gaffigan said "I don't usually have a burger, a brat and a steak but it is the Fourth of July. That's what the founding fathers would want."

Baseball, watermelon and fireworks — that is what the Fourth of July is to me. I was lucky enough to grow up in state that the only relaxed laws about it was its fireworks sales and use. Some of my earliest memories include holding a shaking hand to light a firecracker. My father always taught me to turn around and run a good distance away from the impending explosion.

While in middle school, one of my friend's parents had a fireworks stand, where we had free reign on all things loud and smoky. I think that it is thrilling and adrenaline-pump to have something on fire near you, even though it's extremely dangerous.

I don't know about others, but I always wax nostalgic about taking pride in being an American and just being together with family and friends during this holiday, maybe on a boat out on the lake. I can't think of a better place to be than sitting on a blanket with your neck craned, ooohing and ahhhing at colors lighting the sky.

I've seen many large-scale fireworks shows in America: some set to music, one over Lake Michigan in Chicago. I used to live two hours from Washington, D.C., and have regretted not fighting the crowds to see fireworks in our nation's capital.

I'm actually most excited about my first Independence Day in a foreign country. My original plan was to be in Hawaii with a friend after she got back

from deployment, but moving here changed those plans. I also played with the idea of visiting another country this weekend, but uniting with other Americans on this special holiday will mean so much more to me.

This year's celebration is kicking off around 5 p.m. with a night filled with music, food and fun. I've heard that fireworks haven't been set off for a few years, so I'd like to think they are bringing them back because I'm here.

I encourage all Americans here to get together and safely celebrate all the great things about being from the US. If you see me on the caserma, I'll be the one with plate of grilled meat!

What does Independence Day mean to you?



Summertime safety tips distributed at ACS

USAG Vicenza Security Office

In preparation for the summer months, the U.S. Army Garrison-Vicenza Security office is kicking off a program called "Summer Security Tips."

Security tips will be issued weekly starting for the preparation of the Fourth of July weekend and will end Sept. 5 for Labor Day.

Security tips will include home security, security tips while traveling by plane, train or automobile, travel warnings and advisories and assistance with enrollment in the Aircraft and Personnel Automated Clearance System for official and leave travel.

"We're hoping that by disseminating this information we can help the military community enjoy a safe summer," said Peg Clevenger, USAG Vicenza Security Office. "Many people don't know the differences while they are in Europe. Making sure our community is safe and feels secure is our number one priority."

Copies may be found at Army Community Service and will be sent out by email.

For information, contact Clevenger or John Davis at 634-8998/8498.

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contacting their IMO, submitting a 119 Help Desk ticket and reading information provided on the 5th Signal Command website at http://www.5sigcmd.army.mil. The European Enterprise Service Desk Portal listed on the portal above has instructional documents and videos to help you get ready for these aspects of migration.

"The single most helpful action you can take in preparation for this email migration is to reduce the size of your email mail box to less than 50MB prior to migration," said Paul Woolston, Network Operations analyst with 102nd Signal Battalion. "The process works best with small mailboxes."

Woolston also said it is important to "make a note for your recurring calendar events and names of those you invite to those events if you use and manage calendars."

"After migration you will have to re-invite people to your events. You will have to reset the recurring schedule for these events as well," said Woolston.

Speak Out



Anna Brinkman with daughter Lillibelle
Family members
"A fantastic celebration of the freedom of our country, great times with family and of course,

fireworks!

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Staff Sgt. Paul Cota
Public Health Command
"To me, Independence
Day means celebrating
our freedom and
remembering all those
who gave the ultimate
sacrifice."



Jimenez
509th Signal Battalion
"It's a celebration to our
freedom and way of life. I
also celebrate the military
and its accomplishments."



Pfc. Justin King 173rd ABCT, 2-503rd "Freedom earned by lives lost!"



Sgt. Joseph Trinh 173rd ABCT, 2-503rd "It's a day to set aside to celebrate freedom, democracy, liberty and freedom—America!"

By Laura Kreider

Garrison news

Caserma Ederle prepares for Fourth of July celebration

By Julie M. Lucas Outlook editor

American military members in Italy should not worry about not getting to celebrate Independence Day just because they aren't in the U.S. Numerous organizations and the city of Vicenza are uniting to put together a remarkable holiday.

From 4-6 p.m. registration will be taking place in the Health Center Parking Lot for the Motorcycle show. Six different awards will be given out including Photo Shoot, Spent the Rent, Bad Attitude, Smokin' Knees, Good Vibrations and Diva, plus Best in Show. Event participants will be given a chance to vote, including a "celebrity" judge. Bikes must be in place by 4:30 p.m. For more information contact at grant.sattler@eur.army.mil.

"We're encouraging all motorcycle riders in the Vicenza military community to bring their bikes for the show," said Garrison Public Affairs Officer Grant Sattler. "It's a chance to show off your ride, compete for several Peoples' Choice honors, and meet other Italian and American motorcyclists in the area."

The main events kick off at 5 p.m. Monday including a magic show, a local talent show and live music for the rest of the night courtesy of the "Jalapenos," a country rock band. A marching band will perform in the fest area around 7:30 p.m., followed by the awards for the motorcycle show on the stage at 7:50 p.m. The Jalapenos return to the stage for two additional sets with DJ music during breaks.

While the music is playing, numerous children's activities will be going on including carnival rides and a bounce house. A fund raiser dunk tank and car bash will be sponsored by the Vicenza Better Oppertunity for Single Soldiers. Other fun for adults will include bumper cars and a mechanical bull ride. Be sure to bring euro to pay for items at the event.

Carnival rides will be operating earlier on the weekend starting Friday 3-8 p.m. and Saturday-Sunday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., except the mechanical bull.

"All the guys really love this and it's something different for Italians, too," said Peggy Schadler, Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation marketing chief.

Hamburgers and hot dogs will be for sale as well as other food like ice cream as unit fund raisers. Beer booths will also be available.

The highlight of the evening will be a fireworks show, which hasn't been set off for several years. The fireworks will be set off from Monte Berico, lighting up the whole Vicenza sky. The reason for the location of the fireworks is safely for the community and so that the crowd at Caserma Ederle will have the best view of them.

"Caserma Ederle has worked closely with the city to pull off the fireworks demonstration," said Sarah Penhallegon, community activities coordinator. "We've



File photo by Laura Kreider

Carnival rides will be among the numerous activities available during the Fourth of July activities Monday. The rides will begin running Friday 3-8 p.m. and be open

Saturday-Sunday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. The currency needed for rides is euro. received a lot of support from the locals on this, so that everyone can enjoy the event."

The Ederle Inn front parking lot and "no-name" street adjacent to the Child Development Center and track are closed through Wednesday for set-up and tear down of the carnival. Ten parking spaces at the corner of Ninth Street and "no-name" street, adjacent to the Arena are marked for CDC drop off/pick up only. Ninth Street from the Arena to Gate 5 will be closed through Wednesday.

Event goers should not bring pets, alcohol, glass bottles, bicycles, mopeds, roller skates, air horns or skate boards to the event. Persons are discouraged from trying to view fireworks from Monte Berico as it will cause traffic problems. The best view will be from Caserma Ederle sports field or the Campo Marzo across from the train station. Information for this event is posted at www.vicenzamwr.com.

Romano takes over command from Wells for 509th Signal Battalion

By 1st Lt. Neville Rose

509th Signal Battalion adjutant

The 509th Signal Battalion changed senior leadership Friday at Hoekstra Field in a ceremony marking the end of Lt. Col. G. Shawn Wells command tenure and welcoming the new commander, Lt. Col. Kevin P. Romano, with wife Kerry and daughters, Molly and

Mikaela Cade narrated the ceremony and said, leading a unique strategic unit such as the 509th is no simple task but proved rewarding. She congratulated Wells for his triumphs while serving as the 509th Sig. Bn. commander and praised his wife and family for their continued sacrifices.

Both Soldiers and civilians made up the formation for the ceremony.

Second Signal Brigade's commander Col. Mitchell Kilgo expressed his gratitude to Shelly Wells for her support and commitment to her family. He reminded attendees that Families also share in the challenges of their Soldiers. He recognized Wells for the battalion's successes under his leadership and emphasized the significance and symbolism of the ceremony, "The ceremony witnessed was more than a change of commanders; it symbolizes the rich heritage of our great Army, and it reaffirms the authority and responsibility vested by our Army and our nation in the commander."

He then welcomed the newly appointed commander, Romano and his family, and charged him with

accomplishing the mission and fulfilling the welfare of Soldiers, civilians and Families.

Wells commanded the 509th since April 2009; his next assignment at Fort Belvoir, Va., with the Global Network NCR. Wells accomplishments include successfully orchestrating the IT support and oversight for Dal Molin, BUTMIR WAN and Poggio Renatico Redesign, OCONUS Network Enterprise Center of the Year, DISA End Office of the Year and DISA GIG Site of the Year Runner-up, just to name a few. Under Wells leadership, the battalion planned, coordinated, and executed more than 50 expeditionary missions on three continents in support of U.S. Army Europe and U.S. Army Africa. This is a remarkable achievement

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At Your Service



Ombudsman, Army Medical Command

Rhonda Palmore is an Ombudsman for the Army Medical Command. Her function is as a neutral, independent and impartial resource in support of Soldiers assigned to the Warrior Transition Battalion, as well as non-WTU Soldiers and their Family members..

"I provide assistance to those who need it with medical related issues or concerns," Palmore said.

Palmore is located in building 113, room 227 (old health clinic). Her duty hours are Mondays-Fridays 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and can be reached at 636-9679 or 0444-61-9679 or by email at rhonda.palmore@us.army.mil.

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EIB: More than 200 return from Germany with badge

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School at Fort Benning, Ga.

"This test has 15 core tasks and then you have 15 tasks that you can select for yourself, whatever your unit deems is important for them. So if you're in an Airborne unit it's a lot different than a Stryker unit," he said. "You can put your own fingerprint on this test."

This EIB qualification has been almost a year in the making and the 173rd made sure to leave their fingerprint on the testing phase and set a standard for units to come. Smiley has been involved with more than 60 EIB qualifications and this is the first to graduate more than 200.

"They did better than a lot of other units that I've seen, which is a good thing," he said.

Though the testing method is new this year, it's being seen as an improvement to the old legacy-style system.

"It builds a more confident Soldier because he's going though, doing 10 tasks, one after the other, in 20 minutes, similar to what he would do downrange outside the wire," said Smiley. "In this format, time is a stressor and the conditions."

As an event run completely by noncommissioned officers, it's also been a great way to demonstrate a strong NCO corps within the 173rd, Rolling said.

"This could not have been done without the leadership of all the NCOs," said Rolling.

"I think from start to finish the experience has been awesome," said Master Sgt. Mitchell Rucker, the site manager for EIB qualification. "The instructors, the candidates from the two infantry battalions in Italy and 1-91 Cav. in Schweinfurt, Germany, were all mixed together working together as one team.

"Every time I go to a site, and I see 600-700 people training on one site, it's impressive," he said.

At the conclusion of testing, Command Sgt. Maj. William Johnson, command sergeant major of V Corps in Germany spoke to the recipients of the badge, expressing its importance and place in an infantryman's career.

"This badge is a measure of individual soldiering skills," he said. "It's considered a hallmark of the infantryman's career."

Rolling shared his sentiment.

"It was the first actual badge that I got, minus the airborne wings," Rolling said. "It really gave me confidence as a young Soldier that I was an expert.

"It was the foundation of my career to become a command sergeant major."





Above, while graders look on, a Soldier from the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, checks the functionality of a .50 cal. machine gun on the Tactical Control Point lane, as part of the 173rd's Expert Infantryman's Badge qualification at Grafenwoehr Training Area, Germany, June

At left, A 173rd Airborne **Brigade Combat Team Soldier** assembles a radio at the beginning of the patrol lane during the Expert Infantryman's Badge qualification. Out of 695 Soldiers, the 173rd graduated 211, becoming the first brigade in the Army to have more than 200 Soldiers earn their EIB at one time.

509th: New commander takes over

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for a strategic based battalion. In his speech, Wells reminded the new commander that command is not about any one person, but the entire organization. Also, he reminded him to have fun.

"I am greatly honored and humbled to assume command of the 509th Signal Battalion," said Romano. "My focus for the battalion is on Soldier and civilian training and leader development. I am also committed to providing Soldiers, civilians and Families with the best quality of life and opportunities to enjoy this assignment. The battalion will continue to provide responsive, rapid and reliable mission command networks and service."

The incoming commander, Romano, served at the Chief Material Development Branch, U.S. Army Electronic Warfare Proponent Office, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

As the ceremony ended, the assembled party departed with the knowledge that new missions will continue to arise and give way to new challenges. The military customs and traditions exemplified in the ceremony and events surrounding it, served as proof that the Army, indeed, goes rolling along.



Photo by Paolo Bovo

Col Mitchell Kilgo passes the colors to Lt. Col. Kevin Romano signifying the transfer of authority and command of the 509th Signal Battalion Friday. Romano replaces Lt. Col. Shawn Wells, right.

Repair requires hot water turn off on post

The Directorate of Public Works will be performing a major repair to Caserma food court, Golden Lion, the dining facility, laundromat and commissary. Ederle steam lines July 9 from 5-10 a.m. The following buildings will not have hot water during that time: Medical Clinic, Ederle Inn, Post Gym, Arena, Barracks (buildings 100, 101, 103, 104, 105, 106, 173, 170) post exchange

DPW apologizes for the inconvenience and will restore the hot water as soon

For questions, contact Raffaella Travisiol at 634-8766.

Building named after long-time employee

By Barbara Ranieri

USAG Livorno Community Affairs Advisor

One of the primary buildings used for maintenance at the Leghorn Army Depot, Camp Darby, was named in honor of Alfredo Tomassini, a former employee, June 24. Tomassini served for 40 years of distinguished service in support of Allied Operations during World War II and cooperation between the United States and Italy after the war.

Lt. Col. Richard Pierce, Army Field Support Battalion-Italy commander, explained that while it's a long-standing military tradition to honor exceptional Soldiers and civilians in memorial that the honor is often bestowed in hind-sight after an individual has fallen or passed, leaving us only memories of their exploits and deeds to reflect on.

"When we initially discussed a dedication ceremony and the caliber of the individual that would be worthy of such an honor, I was grateful that the individual on the top of the list would be able to receive the dedication and honor in person," said Pierce.



Photo by Elena Baladelli

From the left, Vice Mayor of Pisa Engineer Paolo Ghezzi, Alfredo Tomassini, former Camp Darby employee, Lt. Col Richard Pierce, Army Field Support Battalion-Italy commander, and Col. Raffaele Iubini, Italian Base commander pose in front of the building that was named after Tomassini in a dedication ceremony June 24.

"It's a true honor to be able to pay personal respect to a man who has dedicated his life to exceptional ideals and dedication that have touched so many lives spanning several decades."

Pierce explained Tomassini's journey to what would later become Camp Darby starting in 1944.

"Tomassini was a 17 year old young man in southern Italy and was experiencing the carnage of war first hand as the battle for the beachhead and the port city of Anzio reached his doorstep. When Allied forces successfully liberated Rome in June 1944, it marked the beginning of Tomassini's journey and cooperation with the U.S. Army," he said.

"Maj. Horton of the 331st Transportation Company enlisted the eager and energetic Tomassini to assist his unit as they continued north towards the gothic line. Tomassini remained with the support unit pushing as far north as Modena during the Italian campaign, later moving to Leghorn in 1945.

By then, Tomassini was a fixed member of the team and was recognized as a skilled mechanic and leader. He remained an employee with the U.S. Army as the war ended in 1945, witnessed the transition of Leghorn from a supply depot to a prisoner of war camp and then a staging site for retrograding military equipment out of Italy."

In the 1950's, he witnessed the expansion of logistics operations and construction to the most recent construction over the past several years. Each year brought new opportunity and his continued involvement and integration of a larger Italian workforce. His mechanical expertise spans both wheel and track vehicles and includes the famous Willey's jeep, all models of military cargo trucks, the M60 tank and its successor the M1 main battle tank."

Over the past 60 years, many changes have taken place at leghorn: units, personnel, and equipment, but there has been one constant that continues to support the local civilian and military population and the mission — and that is Alfredo Tomassini," said Pierce

Tomassini was overwhelmed by the honor as he was thanked by Pierce for this unexpected honor.

"I want to thank both military and civilian authorities willing to be part of this ceremony because they are part of my country, Italy, which is honored with me today and thank you fellow coworkers of Leghorn Army Depot and the Army Field Support Battalion- Italy and the U.S. Army," said Tomassini.

Darby

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

July Fourth Celebration

The beach opens at 9 a.m. Kids games planned throughout the day, along with adult beach volleyball games. Barbecue dinner for sale at 5 p.m., followed by DJ at 7 p.m. and fireworks at 10 p.m. Free shuttle from Camp Darby (in front of Car sales) to beach will run at on the hour and half hour from 4 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. to 1:15 a.m.

Child, Youth and School Services

Registration now open for a dance and theater program to begin in July.

Summer Reading Program

Kids can sign up for "A Midsummer Knight's Read" program at the library to win prizes.

Call 633-7000.

Army Community Services

- Play group, July 6
- Couples Communication, July 8
- Anger management, July 12
- EFMP roundtable, July 21 Call 633-7084 to learn about these programs.

ITR trips

Daily trips June- August

- Cinque Terre, Mondays
- Venice, Tuesdays
- San Gimignano and Siena, Wednesdays
- Rome, Thursdays
- Elba, Fridays
- Florence, Saturdays
 Call 633-7589.

Outdoor Recreation

- Aqua Fitness Class at the pool at noon, Mondays and Wednesdays in July
- Hiking in San Rossore, July 9 Call 633-7775.

Darby Community Club Mathew JC & The All-Stars Rock Band and fashion show July 9. Call 633-7855.

AFN Decoder Upgrade

AFN is moving to a new satellite July 31. Before then you need to program your decoder to a new frequency and realign your satellite. Call CFMO at 633-7882 to schedule an appointment with an electrical satellite contractor.

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 July 10 the Jubilation Choir will perform at the American Beach from 5 p.m.- 6:30 p.m. Call 633-7267.

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509th Sig. Bn. employee awarded Sec. Army coin

By Marisa Gaona AFN Livorno

It's was not the phone call that USAG Livorno Commander, Lt. Col. Kevin Bigelman, was expecting, but the person on the other line told him that the Secretary of the Army was due to arrive at Camp Darby in the next 90 minutes and would need a secure internet connection at the Army Lodging facility.

He made a few phone calls and according to Bigelman, "some great people from 509th Signal Battalion helped me out."

Well it just so happened that the newest member of the 509th team, Todd Henderson, was staying at the Army Lodging.

"I actually didn't know who was coming, I just knew there was a special mission coming on board," said Henderson.

"He got the secretary and his staff squared away and for that, the Secretary of the Army sent his coin which says, 'presented for selfless service by John McHugh, 21st Secretary of the Army," said Bigelman.

Henderson said that this was totally unexpected.

"I was pretty surprised at what happened, because again, I really



Photo by Elena Baladelli

Todd Henderson, 509th Signal Battalion, received the Secretary of the Army Coin during the USAG Livorno Quarterly Awards ceremony.

wasn't thinking that I was going to get anything for me just doing my job," said Henderson.

Henderson was not the only person being recognized at the garrison quarterly awards ceremony June 16. Ninety nine awards were presented to members of the Camp Darby Military community for their stellar performance.

"It is because of their teamwork,

professionalism and selfless service in their attitudes, actions and words that make the Camp Darby military community thrive," said Bigelman.

The next garrison award ceremony will be Sept. 16. Supervisors are asked to submit their awards to DHR by Aug. 24. Photos of the June 16 event can be found on: www.flickr.com/photos/campdarby/sets/72157626888764427/.

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Festa della tagliata:

Sliced meat festival will be Friday-Tuesday in Sarmego, Grumolo delle Abbadesse, about 10 miles southeast of Vicenza. The fest will feature food booths of Sorana sliced steak, carnival rides, live music and dancing.



Courtesy photo

Local events

July Festival:

Friday-Monday, in Velo D'Astico, Piazza IV Novembre, about 28 miles north of Vicenza. Carnival rides, painting and wooden sculpture exhibit, snake exhibit, charity raffle, food booths open at 7 pm.

- Friday: 9:30 p.m. live music with the I Profeti del Decibel
- Saturday: 9:30 p.m. live 70's, 80's, and 90's music with Doppiosenso Band
- Sunday: 9 a.m. Fiat 500 and Vespa rally; food booths open at noon and at 7 p.m.; live music and ballroom dancing with Sergio e le Melodie Orchestra
- Monday: 9 p.m. live music with Midnight Spaghetti Band; 11 p.m. fireworks; 11:30 p.m. charity raffle drawing

Bruschetta Festival:

Friday-Monday, in Arcugnano, about five miles south of Vicenza. Food booths feature the typical bruschetta (i.e. toasted bread seasoned with garlic, olive oil, etc.), bigoli, gnocchi and other local specialties open at 7 p.m. Photo exhibit and charity raffle:

- ◆ Friday: 9 p.m. Amos Group, Carlos Santana tribute band and 70's rock music
- Saturday: 9 p.m. Country tour with Luka & Nike
- Sunday: 9 p.m. Caribbean dance show; 9:30 p.m. Latin-American music and dancing with Rica Suerte Latin Band
- Monday: 9 p.m. 60's and 70's music with Norberto & Katia

Ham Festival:

Saturday-Sunday, in Nanto, about 11 miles south of Vicenza.

- Saturday: 7 p.m. food stands featuring dishes prepared with sweet ham and Berici extra virgin olive oil dishes.
- Sunday: 3 p.m. Model Aircraft Acrobatic Show; 7 p.m. food booths and sale of local ham and extra virgin olive oil

Sliced steak Festival:

Friday-Tuesday in Sarmego, Grumolo delle Abbadesse, about 10 miles southeast of Vicenza. 7 p.m. food booths featuring the local Sorana sliced steak, bruschette, beers, and non-alcoholic drinks; carnival rides; 7-11 p.m. vintage dolls exhibit, Via Venezia.

ballroom dancing with Checco e La B Band Orchestra

- Saturday: 9 p.m. live music and ballroom dancing with Silvia e La Banda Italian Orchestra
- Sunday: 8 a.m. 5 km noncompetitive walk for pets and their owners. Registration fee: €3, free for children under 6. Free refreshments for all participants; 9 a.m. vintage tractors and farm machinery exhibit; 11:45 a.m. food booths open; 5 p.m. working dogs demonstrations on search, rescue, and obedience presented by the Vicenza Civil Protection-Rescue Dog Team; 6:30 p.m. food booths; 9 p.m. live music and dancing with Marco e I Niagara Orchestra
- Monday: 9 p.m. live music and dancing with Mery e Elisa
- Tuesday: 9 p.m. live music and dancing with Omar Lambertini Orchestra

Holy Heart Festival:

Friday-Monday, in Novoledo, about nine miles north of Vicenza. Food booths open at 7 p.m. Carnival rides, raffle, mushroom exhibition and folk dances. Live music and dancing at 9 p.m. Fireworks on Monday at midnight.

Mill Valley Festival:

Saturday-Sunday, Mossano, about 12 miles south of Vicenza.

- Saturday: 7 p.m. food booths; 9 p.m. live music and dancing with the Alta Marea Orchestra
- Sunday: 9 a.m. free guided visit to the La Valle dei Molini (Mill Valley) departing from Fattoria della Pozza, località Munari, and free refreshments at Mulino Cuchei; at noon and 7 p.m. food stands featuring typical local dishes; live music and dances start at 9 p.m. with Luigino Band

Cheese Festival:

Friday-Monday in Villalta di Gazzo, about 9 miles east of Vicenza. Food booths featuring Tosella cheese and other specialties open at 7 p.m. Exhibit of vintage cars, motorcycles and tractors. Carnival rides and raffle.

- Friday: 9 p.m.-midnight, live music and ballroom dancing with Mirella Cedrini
- Saturday: 9 p.m.-midnight, live music and ballroom dancing with Renato e gli Amici
- Sunday: 9 p.m.-midnight, live music and ballroom dancing with I Duca D'Este
- Monday: 9 p.m.-midnight, • Friday: 9 p.m. live music and live music and ballroom dancing

with Silvia e la Band Italiana; 11:45 p.m. fireworks

Tosella is a non-fermented fresh cheese made with whole or partially skimmed cows' milk. It must be consumed within a few days of its production and it has a pure white color. It can be salted to taste.

Threshing Festival:

Friday-Monday, in Rosà, about 21 miles northeast of Vicenza. Re-enactment of traditional wheat harvesting, vintage agricultural and tools exhibits, farm animals, traditional costumes and food booths featuring local specialties. Live music start at 9 p.m.

Night shopping:

Friday-Sunday, in Schio, about 16 miles northwest of Vicenza. Sales will start Friday at midnight and continue until 2:30 a.m.; Saturday stores will be open until midnight and they will stay open all day on Sunday; live music and entertainment.

Notte Bianca:

All night shopping and entertainment in Bassano del Grappa, Saturday, 8 p.m.-2 a.m., in Viale Venezia, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza. 8:30 p.m. dance show performed by the Flash Dance School; 9 p.m. fashion show; 10 p.m. belly dance and Argentine tango shows; food booths and free bounce houses for children.

Town districts Tournament:

Ongoing through Sunday, 8:30 p.m., in Quinto Vicentino, Sport Center, about eight miles northeast of Vicenza. Ten color coded districts will compete in traditional games. Award ceremony on Sunday, followed by live 80's and 90's music performed by the Platinum Legends of Rock Band.

ODR trips

Brenta River Bike Ride, July 9 Riccione Beach, July 10 Sirmione, Lake Garda, July 13 Waterwater rafting, July 16 Bernina Express, July 16 Slovenia Caves and Castles, July 23

Wine Tasting, July 24 SCUBA, July 27-31

La Thuile and Chamonix Monte Bianco, July 30

World War I hike, July 30 Trips can be booked on WebTrac at https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/ webtrac/Vicenzarectrac.html or by following the WebTrac link on www.vicenzaMWR.com or at ODR.

FREE concerts, exhibits & events

"Once upon a time" - contemporary art exhibit:

Ongoing through Sept. 30, in Vicenza, Galleria Porti, Corso Palladio 3, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 4-7:30 p.m.

Sculpture/painting exhibit:

Renato Meneghetti paintings and sculptures exhibit: ongoing through Sunday, 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_en

Live concerts:

Ongoing through Sunday, 9:30 p.m., in Vicenza, Sports Center, Viale Anconetta

- June 30: Electro pop music with Soyuz
 - Friday: Hard rock with OJM
 - Saturday: Swing rock with

Goodfellas

 Sunday: Reggae with Arawax Marostica live jazz:

Friday, 9:30 p.m., in Marostica, Piazza degli Scacchi

Opera Viva

An educational program for young opera singers offers two concert performances. The first will be a program of sacred Italian repertoire at Sant' Anastasia church in Verona July 15 at 9 p.m. The second concert will be a performance of Italian opera arias presented at the officers club at the Castelvecchio in Verona July 22 at 8 p.m.

Concerts

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

Chicago: July 10 in Milan

George Benson: July 11 in Milan; July 13 in Naples

Take That: July 12 in Milan Elton John: July 12, Piazzola

sul Brenta, Padova; July 14 in Lucca Joe Cocker and B.B. King: July 15 in Lucca

Amy Winehouse: July 16 in

Bon Jovi: July 17 in Udine, Friuli Stadium

Paul Simon: July 17 in Milan **Deep Purple:** July 18 in Verona Ben Harper: July 18 in Lucca; July 19 in Rome; July 20 in Milan;

July 29 in Tarvisio (Udine) James Taylor: July 19 in Venice, Piazza San Marco

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

Sting: July 29 in Venice, Piazza San Marco

George Michael: Sept.10 in Florence; Sept. 11 in Naples, Sept. 13-14 in Verona

Lenny Kravitz: Nov. 20 in Villorba (Treviso); Nov. 21 in Assago (Milan)

Rihanna: Dec. 11 in Torino; Dec. 12 in Assago (Milan)

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/.

Ederle Theater

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| Friday | Rio (G) | 6 p.m. |
| | Madea's Big Happy Family (PG 13) | 9 p.m. |
| Saturday | Cars 2 (PG) | 3 p.m. |
| | Bad Teacher (R) | 6 p.m. |
| Sunday | Cars 2 (PG) | 3 p.m. |
| | Bad Teacher (R) | 6 p.m. |
| July 8 | African Cats (G) | 6 p.m. |
| | Fast Five (PG 13) | 9 p.m. |

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

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| Friday | Madea's Big Happy Family (PG 13) | 6 p.m. | | | | |
| Saturday | Super 8 (PG 13) | 6 p.m. | | | | |
| Sunday | Rio (G) | 1 p.m. | | | | |
| July 8 | Hoodwinked Too - Hood vs. Evil (PG) | 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.

Community briefs

Pre-Fourth of July activities

Carnival rides will be running Friday 3-8 p.m., and Saturday-Sunday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., except for the mechanical bull.

July 4 celebration

This year's Festa Americana July 4 celebrations will be a one-day event Monday, 5 p.m.midnight. The festival area is located in the hospital parking area, the Sports & Fitness Field and in front of the Ederle Inn. Italian guests are invited to enter through Gate 5 near the Health Clinic on via Corbetta. Italian guests signed on by ID card holders will be required to enter only at Gate 1 on via Aldo Moro and sponsors must remain with their guests at all times. No alcohol, glass bottles, roller skates, skateboards, air horns, heelies, bicycles, mopeds or pets are allowed to in the festival area.

Activites include carnival rides for young and old. Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers will operate the popular dunk tank and car bash. Food booths for the event include South of the Alps Warrant Officers with chili, Frito Pies and drinks; Ester's Grace with popsicles, ice cream and drinks; Zillah #61 with scooped ice cream; 772nd Nada Coladas, candy, chips and cool pops; Ellah Chapter 88 with cotton candy and popcorn; Pride of the Med with popcorn and drinks and BOSS with spiked lemonade. The magic show starts at 5 p.m. followed by a local talent show at 5:30 p.m. Jalapenos Band performs at 6:30, 8 and 9:30 p.m. This year fireworks will be set off from one of the highest points in Vicenza, the historical Monte Berico, at 10:30 p.m. The reason for shooting them off from that point will give the greatest viewing from Caserma Ederle and Campo Marzo. It is not recommended to go to Monte Berico during this time. For more information visit www.vicenzamwr.com or DFMWR Vicenza on Facebook.

Motorcycle show

Join the motorcycle show Monday during the post Independence Day celebration. All riders are welcome. There will be six "People's Choice" awards for: Photo Shoot, Spent the Rent, Bad Attitude, Smokin' Knees, Good Vibrations and Diva, plus Best in Show selected by "Celebrity" Judges. All motorcycles must have a valid registration and insurance. Entrance is free. Registration is July 4 in the Health Center Parking lot from 4-6 p.m. All bikes must be in place before 4:30 p.m. for the judging. For more info., contact grant.sattler@eur.army.mil.

Event road closures

- Roeder Avenue and Slaton Avenue, parking lots between pavilion and dining facility will be closed Thursday and Friday.
- Ederle Inn front parking lot and "no-name" street adjacent to CDC and track will be closed through Tuesday for set-up and carnival. Ten parking spaces at the corner

of 9th Street and "no-name" street are marked for CDC drop off/pick up only. 9th Street from the Arena to Gate 5 will be closed Monday-Tuesday.

- School bus parking lot behind Golden Lion will be reserved for host nation reception attendees June 30 for the Salute the Nation event. All Department of Defense attendees should park along Olson Avenue adjacent the high school.
- Roeder Avenue and Slaton Avenue, parking lots between pavilion and dining facility will be closed Friday for the Salute the Nation ceremony.

Job openings

• AAFES has an available position as a store associate in check-out. The position closes Saturday.

ACS

- Become a volunteer, build your resume and meet new people. Call the Army Volunteer Corps to find out about opportunities in Vicenza. Register at www.myarmyonesource. com and your volunteer hours will follow you to any installation. Call 634-7500.
- The deadline to apply for the AER Overseas Spouse Education Assistance Program (term 1) is July 18. Spouses of active-duty Soldiers pursuing their first undergraduate degree and residing with the Soldier overseas are eligible.

CYS Services

- The Junior Life Guard swim program is available through EDGE! starting Monday. Youth in grades 6-9 can develop the technical skills of a lifeguard under the guidance of an aquatics trainer. Call 634-7502.
- Children who have completed kindergarten this past school year can enroll in "KinderKamp." The program runs Monday-Friday 5:45 a.m.-6:15 p.m. Full-day and hourly care are available. Children will enjoy a variety of activities including swimming, on post

excursions, water fun days and occasional off post trips. Cost is based on the IMCOM-Europe fee policy and income category. Enroll at Parent Central Services, 634-5700.

- EDGE! youth programs for this summer include: Spike Volleyball Tuesday-Aug. 25 and Pre-conditioning until Aug. 26. Programs are for youth in grades 6-12 and are free. Register at Parent Central Services or on Web Trac. Call 634-7502.
- Visit www.vicenzamwr.com for a complete listing or call Parent Central Services at 634-7219.

Arena

- Summer Movie Nights are every Thursday through Sunday, 6-8 p.m. Enjoy a movie, two hours of bowling, shoe-rental, a large pizza and a pitcher of soda for as many as five people for \$29.95.
- The Strike Zone offers Summer Specials made fresh daily. Caesar salad \$4.95, Chicken Caesar salad \$5.45, Chicken Caesar wrap \$4.95 and barbecue chicken wrap \$5.45. Quantities limited.
- Children younger than 18 and still enrolled in school can bowl all summer for \$1 per game including shoes 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Mondays-Fridays.

Arts & Crafts Center

- Use one of the many studios for \$2.50 per hour. Get creative with clay, paint on canvas, have fun making cards, finish up some of your framing projects, or choose from our wide variety of bisque ware and paint some pottery.
- Learn to stretch canvas material using the equipment and tools in the framing studio. You can become qualified to stretch your own canvas painting in this two-hour class. Canvas material and all supplies are provided July 9. Call 634-7074.
- ◆ If you or someone you know placed a Dietz print framing order with the Arts and Crafts Center prior to Feb. 28, be sure to pick up ASAP. They will become property

of the Arts and Crafts Center if they have not been picked up by Aug. 1.

Summer PWOC studies:

- Wednesdays until Aug. 17, 5:30-7 p.m., 10-week Summer Bible study, "Really Bad Girls of the Bible" by Liz Curtis Higgs (e.g., Bathsheba, Herodias, Tamar the widow & five others)
- Tuesdays, July12-Aug. 16, 9:30-11 a.m., six-week Summer Bible studies & book clubs with child care available. Bible studies include, "Satisfied ... at Last!" by Kay Harms and "Understanding Spiritual Gifts" by Kay Arthur, David & BJ Lawson. Summer book clubs will be determined later on "Conversation Peace" by Mary Kassian and "She's Gonna Blow" by Julie Barnhill.

Library

- ◆ Monthly Book Club will meet July 7, 7 p.m. to discuss "Sixteen Pleasures" by Robert Hellenga. Bring a snack to share and bring a friend to join in the discussion. Call 634-8419 or stop by the circulation desk for more information.
- Registration for Summer Reading Programs begins Monday. A "Midsummer Knight's Read" is the theme this year. Teens participating can fill out a slip each week when they finish a book and enter for a prize drawing at the final party July 26 at 3 p.m. The program for ages 6-11 will offer different activities each week on Tuesday from 11 a.m.-noon. Children ages 3-5 can come Wednesdays, 11 a.m.-noon. Read 10 books over the summer and receive a prize at the end of summer party. Call 634-8419 or stop by the circulation desk to register.

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.: Mass

11 a.m.: Protestant worship
1:30 p.m.: Full Gospel
Pentecostal worship

5 p.m.: Contemporary Christian service

Tuesdays

9:30 a.m.: Protestant Women of the Chapel, July 12-Aug. 16. Child care available.

Wednesdays

3 p.m.: Praise dance practice **3:15 p.m.**: Middle School Club Beyond meets in Villaggio Youth Center until Wednesday

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. until Wednesday. Call 340-139-4073 for information **5:30 p.m.:** Catholic choir

practice **6:45 p.m.:** Gospel choir

6:45 p.m.: Gospel choir practice

Thursdays

345-907-2108

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

Latter Day Saints: Call Chance Wilson at 327-869-8107. Sunday services, 1:30-4:30 p.m. at Viale Trento 246, Vicenza.

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

Know of an event we're missing? Email the *Outlook* at *editor@eur.army.mil* We gladly accept story ideas, photo and story submissions. All submissions are subject editing.



Photo by Julie M. Lucas

HIRED!: Megan Espinoza, Vicenza High School senior, shelves books at the library, as a part of the HIRED! program. The library is currently running a program this summer called, "A Midsummer Knight's Read" that promotes reading and includes prizes.

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.

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Sports

Commuting to work by bike good exercise, environment

By Marisa Petrich

Northwest Guardian

JOINT BASE LEWIS-MCCHORD, Wash., — Staff Sgt. Matthew Carter, 23rd Chemical Battalion, 555th Engineer Brigade, always loved riding his bike. He rode it as a kid. He rode it while he was stationed in Germany. Now he rides his bike to and from work weather permitting. Every day he commutes to work, not to mention additional trips for fun on the weekends.

"I think it's great," he said. Carter does it for the exercise, the environmental benefits and to ease traffic congestion all over the installation -- and he's not the only one seeing the benefits. Last week the group of 26 participants who logged bike trips during Bike to Work Month in May came together to eat lunch, get prizes and discuss ways to improve biking on the installation. "I gotta do something cause I'm tired of paying these gas prices,"

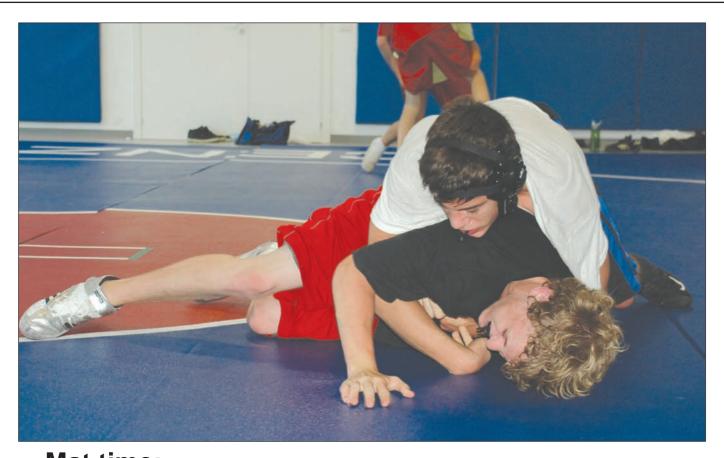


Photo by Ingrid Barrentine

Staff Sgt. Matthew Carter, 555th Engineer Brigade, rides his bike to work on Joint Base Lewis-McChord nearly every day from home. Biking to work is becoming increasing popular in America not only due to the high gas prices, but for the health benefit.

he said of his thoughts at the time. Now he bikes to work from Spanaway from April through September. With so many Soldiers back from deployments, Weldin's sees even more reason to keep his car off the road whenever he can.

"It's a cliché, but it saves you money, it's easier (and) you don't have to worry about traffic so it saves you stress," Villacian said.



Mat time: Above, Vicenza youths learn wrestling techniques from US Navy Ensign Mike Grimes, US Navy Academy prep school coach June 21 at the post Fitness Center. Grimes stopped at Caserma Ederle while traveling in Europe. At right, a Vicenza youth attempts a takedown during wrestling clinic June 21. The clinic is part of one of 56 Child, Youth and School Services

Photos by Buddy Rundblade

EDGE! programs available on



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The 2011 USAG-Vicenza Unit/Recreational Softball League games are Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 6, 7 and 8 p.m. on the post softball field.

There will be two softball tournaments coming in July to Caserma Ederle. The winner of the USAG-Vicenza Unit Level Softball Championships will advance to the Army Europe Championships Aug. 5-8. Call the Fitness Center for specifics at 634-7616.

Sports horts

Adult swim class

Adult Advanced Beginner Swim Classes begin July 13 at the post pool. Class will concentrate on breathing, treading water, arm movements and kicking on front and back. Register before July 11. Call 634-6536.

Become a ninja

Check out the new Ninpo Taijutsu class at the Fitness Center. Learn the ancient art of Ninja with classes every Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at the Fitness Center.

Unit & rec play

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

Rugby: on break until Aug. 1 Basketball: 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for eight or more, Fitness Center.

Men's Soccer: 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for 24 or more players at the turf field behind the Ederle Inn. Email shaun.nurse@amedd.army.mil or call 636-9648/9120 / 9632.

Women's Soccer: 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesdays & Thursdays for 12 or more players at the turf field behind the Ederle Inn. Email sr_brasher@yahoo.com or call 634-8925.

Volleyball: 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays for eight or more, Fitness Center.

Frisbee golf: 6 p.m. Wednesdays, North 40 field.

Women's softball

Participants and coaches for softball must be at least 18 years old and out of high school. For those interested, call 634-7009 or 634-5033.

Tennis tournament

A Tennis Classic Tournament is July 8. Participants meeting is July 8 at 6 p.m. at the Ederle Tennis Courts. Males & Female divisions for categories of: Beginners (0-2 years experience), Intermediate (2-5 years) and Advanced (more than 5 years). Awards will be given for first, second & third place per category. Call 634-7009 to register.

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 tournys

The USAG-Vicenza/Recreation single elimination softball championship is scheduled for July 7-9. The USAG-Vicenza Unit Level Single Elimination Softball championship is scheduled for July 12-13.