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Memorial set for 9 Soldiers

SETAF Public Affairs
Press Release

A memorial ceremony will be held Friday, July 18, in the post chapel at 2 p.m. honoring the nine 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team Soldiers who were killed over the weekend.

The memorial will remember:

Spc. Sergio S. Abad, 21, from Morganfield, Ky.

Cpl. Jonathan R. Ayers, 24, from Snellville, Ga.

Cpl. Jason M. Bogar, 25, from Seattle, Wash.

1st Lt. Jonathan P. Brostrom, 24, from Honolulu, Hawaii.

Sgt. Israel Garcia, 24, from Long Beach, Calif.

Cpl. Jason D. Hovater, 24, from Clinton, Tenn.

Cpl. Matthew B. Phillips, 27, from Jasper, Ga.

Cpl. Pruitt A. Rainey, 22, from Haw River, N.C.

Cpl. Gunnar W. Zwilling, 20, from St. Louis, Mo.

The nine Soldiers, assigned to Chosen Company, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Brigade (Airborne), were killed when a large enemy force attacked their position near the city of Wanat, Afghanistan, July 13, using small arms, machine guns, rocket-propelled grenades and mortars.



Spc. Sergio S. Abad



Cpl. Jonathan R. Ayers



1st Lt. Jonathan P. Brostrom



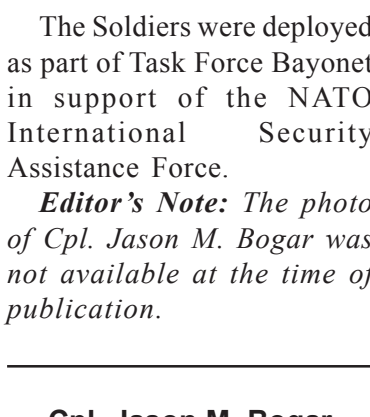
Sgt. Israel Garcia



Cpl. Jason D. Hovater



Cpl. Matthew B. Phillips



Cpl. Jason M. Bogar
Photo not available



Cpl. Pruitt A. Rainey



Cpl. Gunnar W. Zwilling

The Soldiers were deployed as part of Task Force Bayonet in support of the NATO International Security Assistance Force.

Editor's Note: The photo of Cpl. Jason M. Bogar was not available at the time of publication.

173rd STB Soldier receives Silver Star

By Pfc. Christina Sindors
CJTF-101 Public Affairs

BAGRAM AIR FIELD, Afghanistan — Capt. William G. Cromie of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team was presented the Silver Star during a ceremony July 12 at Bagram Air Field.

Cromie was recognized for his actions during an ambush on Nov. 16, 2007, while serving as platoon leader for 3rd Platoon, Alpha Company, 173rd Special Troops Battalion for a route-clearance operation along the Korengal Road in Konar province.

Maj. Gen. Jeffrey Schloesser, Combined Joint Task Force 101 commander, presented the award, one of the highest military decorations, and praised Cromie for his valor.

The platoon was called out to perform route clearance on a portion of the Korengal Road after receiving a tip an improvised explosive device may have been placed there.

"While travelling down the road, our first vehicle struck an IED," said Cromie. "Immediately, we were ambushed on three sides by heavily-armed militants."

I really would like to thank the squad leaders. They really acted professionally even under a stressful situation like that.

And the guys in 3rd Platoon for their bravery.

Capt. William G. Cromie
3rd Platoon, A Co, 173rd STB

Two of his Soldiers managed to maneuver into a better position that allowed them to cover the platoon, but they were soon pinned down and running dangerously low on ammunition. Grabbing more ammunition, Cromie took off through the small-arms cross fire to resupply his two Soldiers.

The platoon called for close-air support, and mounted a counter-attack which pushed the militants back to a fortified compound. The platoon then cleared the compound and killed the militants.

"I really would like to thank the squad leaders," said Cromie. "They really acted professionally even under a stressful situation like that."

"And the guys in 3rd Platoon for their bravery," he added.



Capt. William G. Cromie

The Silver Star is presented to Capt. William G. Cromie, Alpha Company, 173rd Special Troops Battalion, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, during an awards ceremony at Bagram Air Field July 12. Cromie, a platoon leader of a route clearance package team, received the medal for actions taken during an ambush Nov. 16, 2007 in Konar Province, Afghanistan.

Important numbers

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Chaplain 24/7

634-KARE (5273)

0444-71-5273

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0444-71-7114

San Bartolo Hospital Interpreters

0444-75-3300

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Off post agencies

Fire Department – 115

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Polizia – 113

Georgia, U.S. hold opening ceremony for IRO8

By Capt. Bryan Woods
21st TSC Public Affairs

VAZIANI TRAINING AREA, Georgia – Soldiers, sailors, and airmen from the United States, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Armenia, and Ukraine participated in the opening ceremony for the training exercise Immediate Response 2008, July 15 at the Vaziani Training Area in the country of Georgia.

Following the invocation by U.S. Army Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Scott Carson, and the blessing from Georgian Orthodox priest Father Nazzare Guenetadze, the United States, Georgian, Azerbaijan, Armenian and Ukrainian Soldiers paid tribute to each country's national anthem as they stood proudly in formation symbolizing the start of the exercise.

Southern European Task Force Commander Brig. Gen. William B. Garrett III stated during his speech, "In the next two to three weeks, we will work closely with one another to exchange lessons learned, improve communications between our Soldiers and conduct several combined training events.

"Few militaries have the experience and

professionalism as our Georgian brethren, and we acknowledge your contribution to ongoing operations in the Global War on Terror and greatly appreciate your shared commitment.

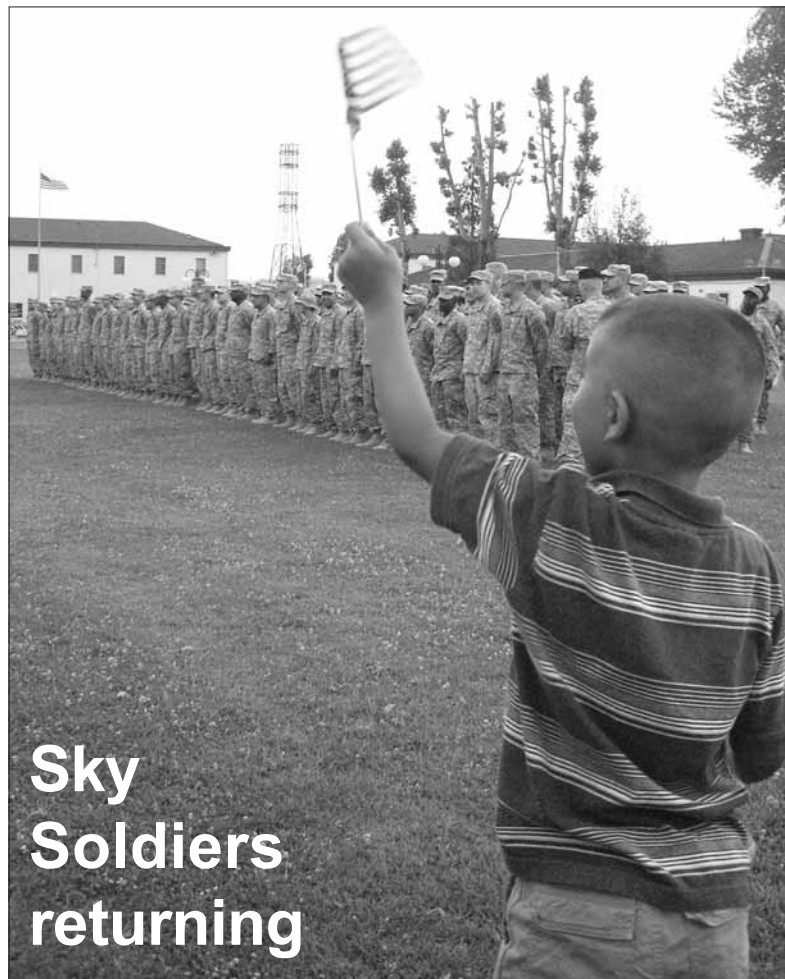
"We fully expect to learn from you and are optimistic you will value the training we will provide."

Following Garrett's remarks Georgian Armed Forces Deputy Chief of Defense Lt. Col. Hosay Paye Shavalle addressed the audience and the troops.

"Immediate Response 2008 serves as a tool for strengthening the friendship and cooperation and for sharing experience among participating states, as well as for training their staffs and units," said Shavalle.

"I would like to wish success to participating personnel and I deeply believe that this exercise will positively affect Georgian, U.S., and other partner states' relationships and will enhance our military professionalism," said Shavalle.

Immediate Response is an annual, bilateral security cooperation exercise conducted between U.S. and coalition partners. The exercise is focused on interoperability training and is designed to promote understanding and cooperation between military forces of the United States and its allies.



Sky Soldiers returning

Jacob Cruz, 6, waves his flag as he waits for his father, Sgt. Juan Cruz, Headquarters Company, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, at the redeployment ceremony July 10. (Photo by Melanie Fatuesi)

Below: Friends and family members of 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team begin celebrating their loved ones' return as buses carrying Soldiers pull into the Hoestra Field Saturday July 12. (Photo by Dave Melancon, USAREUR Public Affairs)



Coalition Forces from Azerbaijan (right), Ukraine, Armenia and the United States stand proudly in formation during the opening ceremony of Immediate Response 2008 with the Georgian and U.S. military in Vaziani Training Area, Georgia. (Photo by Spc Crystal Abbott, SETAF Public Affairs)



Speak Out

"Who is your favorite cartoon character?"

By Outlook Summer Staff



Emelie Steck
16 years old

Tigger because he's fun and always bouncing.



Joe Reeder
Sports and Fitness

Bugs Bunny because he was crafty, and I also like the Road Runner.



Nicholas Schnar
6 years old

Star Wars because of their cool weapons and they go in space.



Capt. John Popiak
Vicenza Military Intelligence

Optimist Prime-Transformers. He represents all that is good in the world, has a noble heart and always does what is right.



Xavier Taylor
18 years old

Juggernaut because he's unstoppable, a beast and has the greatest helmet in the world.

Sinise entertains troops, supports children

It is heartwarming to see how the supplies help troops help the kids.

Gary Sinise
Actor & musician

Story and photos by Kimberly Gearhart
USAG Schweinfurt Public Affairs

SCHWEINFURT, Germany – The Lt. Dan Band played U.S. Army Garrison Schweinfurt July 7 with a blend of rock, funk, soul and pop covering the last 40 years of music, and then some.

Gary Sinise, star of stage and screen both big and small, co-founded the band and lent the name of one of his more famous screen personas – Lt. Dan from the movie “Forrest Gump” – to the group.

Sinise and Kimo Williams, a Vietnam veteran and composer, co-founded the band as a way to entertain troops and veterans, touring overseas with the United Service Organizations and performing stateside on bases and in veterans’ hospitals.

Besides his work with the Lt. Dan Band, the bass-



Jeff Vezain, left, and Gary Sinise entertain the crowd at U.S. Army Garrison Schweinfurt, Germany, July 7 during the final stop on this summer’s Lt. Dan Band USO tour in Europe. The Lt. Dan Band, formed by Sinise and Kimo Williams, performs at military installations worldwide to visit, entertain and thank U.S. servicemembers.

playing Sinise travels on his own to visit deployed Soldiers. It was on one such trip in 2003 that Sinise formed the seed of an idea that would grow into another goodwill project known as Operation Iraqi Children.

“When I went to Iraq on my second tour in November of 2003,” Sinise explained, “I [visited community] schools. The troops took me out to these schools they had rebuilt and refurbished.”

What struck him immediately was the scarcity of basic materials such as paper and pencils. After returning home, Sinise gathered school supplies and shipped them to Soldiers in Iraq with whom he had met for them to distribute.

“They videotaped it all, and sent it to me,” he recalled. “I... thought this would be a great way to help the troops interact with kids around Iraq.”

That seed grew into OIC, which in 2004 began shipping school supply kits to U.S. troops for distribution in Iraqi schools.

“The troops can’t seem to get enough ... and now we’re shipping to Afghanistan,” Sinise said.

For example, last fall, 2,048 school supply kits made their way to Bagram Air Base in Afghanistan. Those supply kits were flown by helicopter to Forward Operating Base Naray, where Soldiers from the Schweinfurt-based 1st Squadron, 91st Cavalry Regiment (Airborne), 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, took charge of them.

“The supplies were distributed to the Naray and Nishigam Schools,” wrote squadron Chaplain (Capt.) Kelly O’Lear in an e-mail. The chaplain and most of the 1-91 CAV are wrapping up their mission in Afghanistan, but more school supplies for the children are “en route,” according to O’Lear.

But whether it’s rocking out on Kessler Field here, touring deployed positions or gathering supplies for needy children, Sinise believes that it is his “purpose to help our Soldiers.”

With the Lt. Dan Band, that assistance comes in the form of musical entertainment. As for Operation Iraqi Children, Sinise hopes to help “extend the hand of friendship” between Soldiers and children impacted by military operations.

“[OIC] helps the kids to see that Soldiers are not just people that carry guns, but ... can be helpful and beneficial to them as well,” Sinise said.

“It is heartwarming to see how the supplies help troops help the kids,” Sinise said.

For more information about the Lt. Dan Band’s efforts to support the troops, visit www.ltdanband.com. To learn more about OIC visit www.operationiraqchildren.org.



Gina Gonzalez, Gary Sinise and Jeff Vezain perform as part of the Lt. Dan Band. Sinise is co-founder of Operation Iraqi Children, which provides school supplies to children in areas being served by deployed U.S. forces, such as Iraq and Afghanistan. Last fall, the 1st Squadron, 91st Cavalry (Airborne), 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, distributed 2,048 school supply packages to children in Afghanistan.

Transportation briefings

The Installation Transportation Office is holding groups briefings for incoming and outgoing personnel. PCSing personnel should bring a copy of their orders to ITO 30-45 days prior to the PCS date to arrange movement of their property.

Outgoing personnel briefings are held Monday-Wednesday and Friday at 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. and Thursdays at 2 p.m.

Incoming personnel briefings are held Monday-Wednesday and Friday at 10:30 a.m. and Thursday at 1:15 p.m.

ITO is located in the Central Processing Facility. Call 634-8753 for more information.

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transportation officer, Directorate of Logistics

Community events

Youth volunteers spruce up brigade area



Story and photos
by Jasmine Perry
Outlook Staff

Forty community volunteers of all ages gathered Saturday morning in front of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team headquarters to complete an area beautification project developed by the Youth Volunteer Corp for the summer.

Volunteers worked the morning away clearing, digging and planting new growth to landscape the area around the 173rd's flagpole and monument to fallen Soldiers. The youth brainstormed a number of ideas for their summer project, but finally decided this one was most fitting.

"I enjoy giving back to the community after what the Soldiers have done for us," said 16-year-old youth volunteer Federica Wade.

"I thought that it would be nice to do something for the Soldiers and thank them for their sacrifices," echoed 15-year-old Bianca Lee, also a youth volunteer.

"This program provides youth in our community with volunteer opportunities, trainings and workshops," said Randie Gibson, Army Volunteer Corp coordinator for the installation. "The purpose is to provide a foundation for the community youth to understand and develop the spirit of volunteerism."

"This foundation will help better prepare them for a lifetime of community service and will assist in their pursuit of higher education," Gibson continued, noting the importance of community service when youth apply for colleges or universities.

Following the completion of the project, all volunteers were treated to a BBQ held at the Teen Center to thank them for their hard work.

Sixteen-year-old Lauren VanDerlugt summed up the event.

"It's good to help people in the community," said she said.

Even though the group project is over, there are still opportunities for youth and adults to volunteer. Call Gibson at 634-7942 for more information.



Paige (left) and Alex Boland help prepare the soil for planting. Below: Five-year-old Jakeb Williams and his dad, Robert, plant one of the many bushes used to landscape the area.



Above and below: Members of the Youth Volunteer Corp, with help from other community volunteers, place barkdust around rows of shrubs planted to landscape the area of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team's flagpole and monument to fallen Soldiers.



Left: Victoria Inman plants a shrub in the ground to beautify the area.



New benefits for customers

Commissary checkout systems save time

Story and photo by Joyce Costello
USAG Livorno Public Affairs

Teams of IBM and Defense Commissary Agency specialists are installing the new Commissary Advanced Resale Transaction System at commissaries across Italy.



Greta Rigdon, a Vicenza commissary employee, practices with the new self service checkouts.

"They are quicker checkouts," said Andre Perry, commissary deputy, noting even at the express check out you have to wait in line, but at the self check outs you shouldn't. (Photo by Jasmine Perry, Outlook Staff)

Bob Comer, DeCA's CARTS program manager, said the new system is easy to use and is the latest in grocery store technology.

"This new system will noticeably cut down on customers' wait times because cashiers now have a 360-degree scanning capability so the product no longer has to be perfectly aligned when scanned like the old system," said Comer.

Miguel Vicente, commissary patron, says the self checkout makes getting in and out of the commissary at lunch time very fast.

"I only have 30 minutes for lunch and now that I don't have to wait in line, I can actually enjoy eating my sandwich instead of trying to scarf it down while walking back to work," said Vicente.

According to Gerri Young, DeCA-Europe Public Affairs, stores will receive different quantities and styles of these registers based on sales.

"The Express Plus model is for 15 items or less and features a three-unit bagging module whereas the Carousel model is for 40 items or less with a six-unit bagging module," said Young. "Many customers enjoy having control over their shopping experience and appreciate the convenience of being able to pick up a few items during lunch hour or after work and being able to check out by themselves; timed results have shown checkout to be as little as two to three minutes

with only a couple of items —perfect for those who want to pick up something quick for lunch or buy those few essentials before going home for the day."

Young added that Livorno, Vicenza, Aviano and Neubruecke will finish installation in July and Mannheim, Baumholder and Riyadh will see this new technology arriving at their commissaries in August.



Air Force Tech. Sgt. Michael Fiyalko, 31st Munitions Squadron, tests out the new self service checkout system at the Camp Darby commissary.

Darby aates

Outdoor Rec hours

Outdoor Recreation's new hours are 10 a.m.-8 p.m. daily.

Camp Darby ITR

Call ITR at 633-7589/8231 or 050-54-7589/8231 for details and reservations on the following upcoming trips:

Venice Trip - July 21, cost \$65 for adults and \$59 for children;

Cinque Terre - July 22, cost \$39 for adults and \$34 for children;

Volterra - July 23, cost \$50 for adults and \$44 for children;

Rome - July 24, cost \$65 for adults and \$59 for children;

Elba Island - July 25, cost \$70 for adults and \$64 for children;

and Florence - July 26, cost \$45 for adults and \$39 for children.

Upcoming at ACS

Call Army Community Service at 633-7084 for more information on these events:

Resume Points Training - Learn how to make yourself attractive on paper.

Single Soldier/Airman Meal - July 29 at 5 p.m., stop by and pick up a plate or eat in. RSVP.

Parenting Tips on Identity Theft - Parents need to be aware of dangers that can affect our children. July 31 from 2-2:30 p.m.

City sightseeing tickets

Discover the wealth of history of Italian cities onboard the "Hop On - Hop Off" buses available in Rome, Florence and Pisa.

Get on and off as often as you want for the entire day.

Discover the lovely cities of Pisa, Florence and Rome at discounted prices for savings up to \$3.67 per person.

For details or to make a reservation, call ITR at 633-7589/8231 or 050-54-7589/8231.

Postage stamp brings cultures together

By Joyce Costello
USAG Public Affairs

The San Marino-American Friendship Association celebrated its 30th anniversary on Independence Day and in honor of the occasion, San Marino, one of the oldest European Republics, issued a € 1.50 stamp which depicts the images of the respective states' statues of liberty.

According to the designing artist Cristian Cerraroni, "the stamp represents in a simple, yet incisive and direct manner, the values which characterize the association, friendship and peace.



A San Marino postage stamp commemorating the positive relationship between the Sammarinese and United States. The stamp can be purchased from the San Marino government Web site www.aasfn.sm.

"The closeness of the two symbols, the two flags, highlights a symbolic and humanitarian union, tolerance and willingness, an active coexistence with mutual respect and support."

Between the end of the 19th century and the mid-1900s, San Marino saw a great exodus of thousands of Sammarinese, many ending up in Detroit, Michigan, said Olimpio Guidi, a native Sammarinese who grew up in Detroit, became an American citizen and served in the U.S. Navy as a Hospital Corpsman.

"In order to further strengthen ties between those who immigrated to the United States and to assist those who returned to San Marino, the Mutual Friendship Association was founded in 1978," said Guidi. "The MFA sponsors social events, including celebrating two uniquely American holidays: Thanksgiving and the Fourth of July."

Guidi added that civilian and military representatives of the United States have been honored guests at these events in San Marino.

U.S. Army Garrison Livorno Commander, Lt. Col. Steven Cade, who attended the event, said he was glad his family and him got to be part of the occasion.

"San Marino began issuing its own stamps in 1877 and has



Lt. Col. Steven Cade, U.S. Army Garrison Livorno commander, Daniela DiPierro, vice consul, U.S. Consulate in Naples, Captain Regent Rosa Zafferani and Paolo Berardi cut the cake celebrating the release of a San Marino friendship stamp. (Photos courtesy of San Marino)

released a famous series dedicated to the presidents of the United States, emigration to the United States and Walt Disney, so to be part of the friendship stamp ceremony really enforces how much our two cultures have in common," said Cade.

Daniela DiPierro, vice consul at the U.S. Consulate in Naples and also attending the ceremony added "I was humbled by the

gracious hospitality of the association. I know I can speak on behalf of my countrymen when I say 'thank you' from the bottom of my heart. I can only hope to have the pleasure to visit the beautiful Republic of San Marino again. I will cherish the beautiful stamp I was given as a token of our shared values of brotherhood, friendship and peace."

Local zoo offers family fun

Story and photos by Kelli Covlin
Outlook Acting Editor

Summer vacation just doesn't seem the same without a trip to the zoo. There is something enchanting about seeing all those animals, large and small, from all over the world. And, who would have guessed, there's a zoo, practically in our back yard.

Located just outside of the center of Nove, about 30 minutes from Vicenza, is *Il Parco Faunistico Cappeller (zoo)*; an oasis of exotic birds, mammals, reptiles and more. With over 500 species to see, your family members are sure to find at least one which inspires the imagination.

"My favorite is the monkeys," said 3-year-old Diego Tovo, who was visiting the park with his family. "I also liked the zebras, just like on 'Madagascar.'"

Unlike large zoos in the states, the animal habitats are open-air, and visitors can get a close-up view of most of the animals on display. By the tidiness of the park, it is visible the animals are well-cared for.

The park is 40,000 meters square and takes about two hours to stroll through depending on the speed of little feet and what sparks their interest. Also, there are many rest areas spread throughout the park which host picnic tables and playground equipment for children.

It's possible to make a day out of the visit and bring along your own coolers with lunch goodies, but no feeding the animals, except in the petting zoo area where there are gumball-like machines with corn for purchase to feed the goats and others. There are also snack bars serving sandwiches and beverages, as well as spacious bathrooms throughout the park.

"I like to move it, move it," sang Tovo to the black and white lemurs sunbathing in the trees, another one of his favorites from the movie "Madagascar."

During the summer through Nov. 15, the park is open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday



Three of the many giant turtles in their habitat. The turtles, along with other animals in the zoo, recently added new additions which were highlighted by the pink and blue ribbons around their area.

through Thursday. Closed on Fridays, except for August when it is open daily. The cost is 9 euro for adults and 6 euro for children.

Directions: Entering the center of Nove from Vicenza, take a right at the center crossroads onto Via Brenta and go over the bridge. Following the bridge, go straight through the traffic circle and watch for the park's sign. Turn right on Via Marabelli (it is the first right street following the traffic circle).

Find a map and more information on the park, in Italian, on the Web site www.parcocappeller.it.



Three-year-old Diego Tovo points to the lamas in the zoo, located just outside of Nove, about 30 minutes from Vicenza. Visit www.parcocappeller.it for more information. The site is in Italian.

Highlights in Milano, more

A visit to Milano

Life in Milano centers around the area of the *Duomo*. A huge Gothic cathedral with more than 2,000 statues and over 140 spires, the *Duomo* hosts a large gold Madonna at the top. The best time to visit is on a sunny day, when light penetrating the windows creates a kaleidoscope of colors through the interior of the church.

There's also the world's most famous opera house, *La Scala*, which first opened in 1778 and has, since that time, entertained several generations of opera fans from around the world. Opera lovers who visit the museum, located in *La Scala*, will find numerous mementos and items of opera memorabilia including two rooms devoted to Verdi featuring, among other things, Verdi's scores in his own hand and his jewel-encrusted baton.

Art lovers can find Leonardo da Vinci's masterpiece "The Last Supper" in the refectory at the *Basilica di Santa Maria delle Grazie*. The painting has deteriorated over the years and has undergone a number of restorations. To view the painting, visitors must make reservations in advance which can be done by calling the booking office in Milano at 02-8942-1146. The office is open Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-2 p.m. or book online at www.cenacolovinciano.org. Only small groups are allowed inside at a time and only for 15 minutes. Cost is approximately 8 euro.

A model of 19th century life

Lying on the River Adda, about 18 miles east of Milano, *Crespi d'Adda* is a unique and fascinating example of a late 19th-century village.

Established in 1878 by Christoforo Benigno Crespi, proprietor of a cotton mill, the community included the factory, housing and social facilities for employees, a central square, a church, and a castle for the owners.

The areas for work, free time and housing are clearly delineated, with the layout faithfully reflecting the social hierarchy. The residential accommodations upscale the further away from the factory, with apartment blocks for the workers, terraced housing for the clerks and roomy villas for management.

The project continued until 1925, by which time there were also a free school for children of employees, medical clinic, cemetery and public washhouse. The village was also the first in Italy to have public electric lighting.

Despite the closure of the cotton mills many years ago, the village has remained largely untouched. Guided visits are available and take about three hours, or you can wander on your own. The Web site, also in English, outlines a one-hour walking tour. Call 029-098-7191 for reservations and visit www.villaggiocrespi.it for more information.

Raft race

The *palio delle zattere*, raft race, takes place on Sunday, July 20, in the town of Roncobello, a fraction of Valstagna. Nine districts will parade through the town's center at 3 p.m. with the palio starting at 5.

Now Showing

Ederle Theater

July 17	What Happens in Vegas (PG-13)	6 p.m.
July 18	Journey to the Center of the Earth (PG)	6 p.m.
	What Happens in Vegas (PG-13)	9 p.m.
July 19	Journey to the Center of the Earth (PG)	3 p.m.
	Iron Man (PG-13)	6 p.m.
July 20	What Happens in Vegas (PG-13)	3 p.m.
	Iron Man (PG-13)	6 p.m.
July 23	The Chronicles of Namia: Prince Caspian (PG)	6 p.m.

Camp Darby Theater

July 18	What Happens in Vegas (PG-13)	6 p.m.
July 19	Iron Man (PG-13)	6 p.m.
July 20	Wall-e (PG)	2 p.m.

Admission: Age 12 and over \$4, under age 12, \$2.
The Ederle Theatre box office opens one hour prior to show time.

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

Healthy skin campaign

There will be a Healthy Skin Campaign briefing Tuesday, July 22, in the post theater from 2-3:30 p.m. The community is invited to attend. For more information call Occupational Health at 634-7785.

Finance cash cage changes hours

The Finance Office cashier's cage located in bldg 28 is now open from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2-4 p.m. daily.

Health clinic hours change

The Vicenza Health Clinic will operate under modified conditions during reintegration.

For the most of July and early August, the clinic will be open 1-4 p.m. Mondays-Fridays for normal operations. On days when reintegration does not occur in the clinic, morning appointments will be available to our community.

Call 634-7484 to see about availability of appointments. The clinic will be open Saturdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. on days when reintegration is not occurring.

Also available is the advice line at 800-877-660 for questions related to health. The call is free of charge.

Soggiorno office closure

The Soggiorno office will be closed Monday, July 21, for training. Normal operating hours will resume on Tuesday, July 22. Call 634-8706 for more information.

Levy briefings

The next community Levy briefing is scheduled for Aug. 7 from 1:30-5 p.m. at the Central Processing Facility, bldg 311 in the ITC classroom. Spouses are encouraged to attend with sponsors. Call Glenda Demma, 634-7370 for more information.

AFFES employment

AFFES is recruiting for many jobs. For detailed information visit www.aafes.com and check under employment. Find assistance at the PX or contact human resources at 634-7729.

Summer reading

The library's summer reading program runs Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. for pre-kindergarten and Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m. for school-age children.

There are special programs and activities, encouraging youth to keep up reading skills while having fun.

Each week has a theme, and youth keep track of the books they read to earn prizes and certificates. Call 634-8419 for details.

FRG BBQ



Melissa Bourgeois takes an order while Brianna Baummer (photo right) works the grill. Every Tuesday and Thursday during lunch time until the end of July, members of Family Readiness Groups are running a barbecue stand on Olson Avenue in front of the barracks. "We are raising money for the Attack Company FRG, homecomings and future events," said Baummer, Attack Company, 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment (Airborne), FRG secretary. (Photos by Jasmine Perry, Outlook Staff)



USO happenings

Back to School Bash will take place Aug. 23 from 1-3 p.m. in the USO parking lot. There will be food, give-a-ways, the dunk tank and more.

Labor Day Give-a-way – Starting Aug. 18 there will be a give-a-way of two tickets each to five winners who can name that tune on AFN during the designated time. Tickets are for entrance to Gardaland, Aqua Paradise and Movieland Studios. Listen to AFN for more information.

The USO is also looking for volunteers. Stop by the USO for more information.

I'm so poor

ACS Financial Readiness is offering I'm So Poor, I Can't Save, on July 29, 3-4 p.m.

This session will show how no matter what your income is, you can begin to build a financially strong future.

Call 634-7500 for details.

July MOMS club

Exercise Tuesdays: Walk the North 40 track at 9:30 a.m.-weather dependent.

Beach Day – July 18, Sottomarina beach, meet at the Shoppette at 9 a.m. to carpool.

Pool Day – July 25, Ederle Inn pool at 10 a.m.

Park Day and MOMS Club monthly meeting – Villaggio park July 28 at 10:30 a.m. Bring lunch.

For more information regarding MOMS Club and our activities e-mail momsclubofvicenza@yahoo.com.

Benvenuti

Sign up for the July 22-25 ACS Relocation Readiness Benvenuti class. Learn some Italian language, culture, customs, during four days of fun, and adventure.

Call 634-7500 for details.

AER education assistance

The deadline to apply for the AER Overseas Spouse Education Assistance for Term 1 is July 21.

The program is available to spouse of active duty Army Soldiers who reside with the Soldier at the overseas command and is for the first undergraduate degree.

Call Valerie Sweed, Army Emergency Relief officer, at 634-8524, or stop by AER in the Davis Soldier & Family Readiness Center for more information.

Journey Series

Auto Skills – The ACS Journey Series is offering Level 1 and Level 2 auto skills classes. Level 1 classes are Aug. 5 and Sept. 9 from 10:30 a.m.-noon. Level 2 classes are July 22, Aug. 19 and Sept. 23 from 10:30 a.m.-noon. Call 634-7500 for details.

Trips – July 23, Asiago Cheese Tasting, for community members

July 27, Paintball, for single Soldiers.

ACS staff members will accompany every trip and assist with any program questions participants have. Call 634-7500 for details or to sign up.

EFMP Roundtable

ACS Exceptional Family Member Program will hold its Roundtable July 29, 11 a.m.-noon. EFMP members, friends and members of the community gather to discuss concerns and interests.

This friendly forum is open to a variety of discussions, to include children's programs and issues, recipe demonstrations, health issues, and more.

Call 634-7500 for details.

ITR Trips

July 25, Gardaland by Night for adults

July 26, Gulf of Genoa Cruise, enjoy a five-hour cruise and dolphin watching

July 26, Jesolo Beach by Night for adults

July 27, Portorose, Slovenia, a relaxing beach day for all

July 30, Verona and Risotto, tour a rice factory, learn about rice and try some at a restaurant.

Stop by ITR for details.

www.SoarAtHome.org

Student Online Achievement Resources, SOAR, is a free Web site providing students and parents with resources to identify academic strengths and weaknesses in math and reading.

The program also provides interactive tutorials for math, reading and language arts, and provides educational resources written specifically for parents. Call 634-5998 for details.

Religious activities

Caserma Ederle Chapel

Call the chapel at 634-7519 (0444-71-7519) for details on post religious activities.

Chaplain Crisis Line:

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

Saturday services

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

5 p.m.: Vigil Mass

Sunday Services

9 a.m.: Roman Catholic Mass
9 a.m.: Protestant Sunday school and AWANAs (Sept. through May in Vicenza High School)

10:45 a.m.: Catholic religious education (Sept.-May in Vicenza High School)

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

4 p.m.: Lutheran worship
6 p.m.: Contemporary Christian worship

Monday

Noon: Weekday Mass
Noon: LDS Scripture Study
3:05 p.m.: Middle School Club in the high school cafeteria. (Sept.-May)

5:30 p.m.: High School Club in the Teen Center. (Sept.-May)

For details contact Jocelyn Cary at 634-7890 or 349-385-3476 or vicecb@yahoo.com.

Tuesday

9:15 a.m.: Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC)

Wednesday

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

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

Thursday

Catholic Women of the Chapel do not meet over the summer.

Noon: Weekday Mass
5:30 p.m.: Gospel service choir rehearsal

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

Friday

Noon: Weekday Mass
Noon: Muslim Khutba and prayer

Faith group POCs

Islamic POC is Mohamed Noeman at 634-6306.

Jewish POC is Dr. Stephen or Nancy November at 328-054-9709 or november6@msn.com.

Latter Day Saints (LDS) POC is Elder Openshaw, 334-665-6845 or Frank Petty at 634-3907/340-899-2218. Scripture study is held Monday, noon-1 p.m.

Darby Chapel

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

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

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Lifeguards keep watch at pools

Story and photos

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During the hot summer months, children and families use the post and Villaggio pools as a means to stay cool and have fun with friends and family. Lifeguards play an important role in keeping the community safe while families enjoy the summer fun in the water.

"Use common sense while in the pool," said David Sherrick, lifeguard of three years, about pool safety. "Don't dive in the shallow end, and don't run. Just listen and be safe."

Lifeguards are required to have American Red Cross lifeguard certification. It is their responsibility to observe all activities at the pools

and to prevent accidents from happening when possible.

"We're not babysitters. We are lifeguards," said Reginald Hanes Jr., lifeguard of two years. "We are here to keep people safe while they are swimming in the pool."

"Parents need to watch their children and enforce our rules to decrease injuries or accidents," added Hanes.

"Lifeguarding is a fun job," said Hanes. "We get paid well, and on breaks we can go into the pool to cool down if need be."

Lifeguards remind parents to encourage their children to use the bathroom often and to use swimming diapers when age appropriate.

For more information on the post pools or becoming a lifeguard, call Sports and Fitness at 634-7009.



Warning signs and rules of the pools are posted in many locations. Patrons are encouraged to review the rules with their children prior to entrance.

Right: Lifeguard Reginald Hanes Jr. keeps watch over children playing at the Ederle Inn pool.

Volunteer coaches needed for youth soccer, more

Georgia Salyer

director
CYS Sports and Fitness

Child and Youth Services Sports and Fitness are looking for dedicated individuals who like sports and working with children.

There is an immediate need for soccer coaches for youth of all ages. Youth sports soccer has the following groups: Bambino age 3 to 5; Peewee age 6 to 7; Minor age 8 to 9; Bantam age 10 to 12; and JR age 13 to 15.

Practices are scheduled to begin Aug. 25 and the first games will be Sept. 13. Don't worry if you expect to have block leave during some of the above dates; they can work with your schedule.

Youth sports is also looking for tennis, cross country, rock climbing and skate boarding coaches and participants for a seven-week season starting in

September.

If you are interested in coaching, but haven't attended a coaches clinic, call CYS Sports and Fitness to schedule one. The new coaches clinics for the fall are running now through August. Due to community events, it will be difficult to find good dates for everyone, so youth sports will offer individual coaching clinics.

Here is a list of perks for being a volunteer coach:

1. Coaches who have children playing on the team in which they are coaching receive a 100 percent refund on one child and 50 percent refund for any other child playing the same sport
2. Coaches receive a free team photo
3. CYS pays for the NYSCA certification class for two years, which cost \$20 per year
4. Coaches receive a free coaching T-shirt. You will receive a new one each year you are coaching

5. All coaching and team materials are provided by CYS

6. Coaches receive a scroll of appreciation awarded at the quarterly awards ceremony

7. They have the possibility of earning the Volunteer Service Medal

8. Possibly recognized as Volunteer of the Month

9. 100,000 liability insurance provided through NYSCA

10. The opportunity to make a difference in a child's life.

Below are the instructions on how to fill out the new online volunteer registration information. Coaches will still need to do a hard copy of the background check forms which will be provided by CYS Sports and Fitness.

Step 1- Register on the Web site www.myarmylifetoo.com

Step 2- Log into the site and under Volunteer Center click on Become a volunteer

Step 3- Click on Volunteer Registration

Step 4- Fill in as much information as possible. Everything with an "*" is mandatory to complete registration.

CYS Youth Sports soccer season

Soccer enrollment runs now - Aug. 15, practice Aug. 25 - Sept. 12, and the season Sept. 13 - Nov. 1.

Enroll youth at Child and Youth Services Central Registration in the Davis Soldier and Family Readiness Center.

Call 634-7219 for details.

Sports shorts

Major league baseball clinic

YS Sports is offering a free major league baseball clinic July 24-25 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. for youth ages 6-18 and CYS volunteer coaches.

Ralph Rago, assistance baseball coach, Solano Community College in Fairfield, Calif., will be here to share his extensive knowledge of the game. Rago has extensive international coaching experience with both adults and youth.

Call 634-6151 for details and to register for the clinic.

Flag football officials clinic

Become a flag football official. The Sports and Fitness office is offering a flag football official's clinic July 28. Earn your certificate, and get paid. Signup before July 25. Call 634-7009 for details.

ODR local area cycling

Every Tuesday and Thursday Outdoor Recreation leads bike rides in the local area for all levels of riders.

The Beginner, Level I, is approximately one and a half hours on a course eight to 10 miles with level, paved surfaces at an easy pace.

The Intermediate and Advanced, Level III/IV, mountain bike rides last approximately two and a half hours on a 25 mile course through the hills south of Vicenza on paved surfaces, gravel roads and a single-track at a moderate-to-fast pace.

The cost for all rides is \$5. All riders should have the appropriate bike for the ride which is in good working order.

Bikes are available at ODR for checkout - mountain, road, touring, and cruiser bikes.

Sign up at ODR at least one day before the ride. For information, call 634-7453.

Ederle Inn pool hours change

The Ederle Inn pool is now open 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Mondays, and Wednesday through Sunday until Aug. 3. The pool will continue closing Tuesdays for maintenance.

Running Aug. 9- Sept. 7, the pool will open weekends only. On Sept. 8, the pool will close for the season.

The Villaggio Pool hours will remain the same.

Call 634-5181 for details.