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Memorial for Caserma Ederle Soldiers held in Post Chapel



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Staff Sgt. Ramones L. Woodard



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The Outlook Press Release

On April 6 during a supply and transport mission, a CH47 CHINOOK helicopter based in Bagram, Afghanistan crashed during severe weather. The aircraft, one of a two-flight mission, was en route from Kandahar to Bagram Airfield.

On board the helicopter were 15 members of the U.S. military and three military contractors.

Of the 15 military personnel, four belonged to the Caserma Ederle community. They are:

Maj. Edward J. Murphy, Staff Sgt. Ramones L. Woodard, Cpl. Daniel J. Freeman, and Cpl. Sascha Struble.

Maj. Murphy was a member of the Southern European Task Force Headquarters. He played an integral role in the rapid ascent of SETAF to a combat ready force. He served as the SETAF Deputy J6 in support of CJTF 76 and also served with distinction at Fort Bragg, N.C., Korea, Bosnia, and Germany.

He is survived by his wife, Barclay, and his children, Edward, Elly, and Luke, along with his mother, JoAnn Murphy.

Staff Sgt. Woodard, a member of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry (Airborne), was a quiet professional who will be greatly missed by all Red Devil Soldiers.

His dedication to duty and to his daughter, Ebony, was evident in his daily life. His helpful and team-centered

attitude will be greatly missed.

He is survived by his daughter, Ebony, and his mother, Brenda Woodard.

Cpl. Freeman, a Soldier with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry (Airborne), was a hard-working and humorous Soldier who will be greatly missed by all Red Devil Soldiers.

His dedication to duty was an inspiration to all. His fun-loving demeanor and constant smile is a huge loss to Headquarters Company.

He is survived by his mother, Rebecca Birkan; his father, Samuel Birkan; and his brother, Adam Birkan.

Cpl. Struble, a Soldier with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry (Airborne), was a positive, hard-working Soldier who will be greatly missed by all Red Devil soldiers.

His great attitude and attention to detail was an inspiration to everyone. His absence will be immensely felt.

He is survived by his parents, Michael and Teresa Struble.

This tragedy is a great loss to the community and our hearts and prayers go out to the affected family members, relatives and loved ones.

The courage of each individual lost will be remembered and their sacrifice will be honored by continuing the commitment of the U.S. to bring peace, security and prosperity to the Afghan people.

An investigation into the crash is underway.

Cooperation helps tackle Afghan province's problems

Story and photo
By Spc. Jon Arguello
173d Brigade Public Affairs

In an effort to increase the confidence Afghans have in their central government, U.S. and Afghan representatives have planned extensive humanitarian aid projects aimed at improving the lives of the Afghan people.

The 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry (Airborne), or Task Force Fury, the first unit from the 173d Brigade (Airborne) to arrive in Afghanistan, immediately began delivering on the humanitarian aid portion of its mission in the Paktika province where the battalion is based, laying out an example of how to hit the ground running since its arrival in March.

The projects, which range from direct aid, such as blankets and food, to full scale educational exchange programs and reforestation projects, are a combined effort between the United States Army and representatives of Paktika Governor Haji Mohammed Ghulab Mangel.

"It's clear that the people are in need, and the Paktika government officials have demonstrated that they have a sincere interest in helping the people in their province," said Maj. Wayne Metz, 1-508th Inf (Abn) operations officer. "Part of our mission is to facilitate the ideas we come up with because the Afghan government is still growing in its logistical capabilities."

The goal of these cooperative efforts is to demonstrate that the government is focused on fulfilling the needs of the Afghan people and providing them with the security the country needs to grow into a prosperous democracy, according to Metz.

Several displays of this cooperative goodwill have already taken place.

Not two weeks after the change of responsibility for command and control of the Paktika province, TF Fury loaded two U.S. Marine Corps CH-53 Sea Stallion helicopters with six pallets of supplies. This aid was then delivered to three villages that had been cut off by snow and flood waters.

"The Afghan leadership brought the needs of these people to our attention," said Metz, who led the multi-village aid mission.

"It's our goal to extend the reach of the central government and there is no better way for the government to demonstrate that it cares for its people than to come to their aid when they are in need—in this case to ease the pain and suffering of these people stranded by the elements."

More long-term efforts include an educational exchange. The program, which was conceived by Capt. James Person, a Bravo Company, 1-508th Inf (Abn) officer, was received with great excitement by Paktika Education Minister Iqobal, who goes by one name.

Iqobal said the program will help the young Afghan people get linked to the rest of the world, and he said programs like these are important for a country that respects human life and education.

"The first phase of the program is an exchange of letters between students in the U.S. and here in Afghanistan," said Person, Bravo Company, 1-508th Inf (Abn) fire support and information operations officer. "Volunteer Soldiers will also teach classes about American culture, and eventually we would like students to be able to travel and experience a full educational exchange."

The program is scheduled to begin in April, said Person.

Another initiative in Paktika is a reforestation program.

Over the past 30 years, the remaining forests in the Paktika province have been destroyed because of anarchy, occupying forces, and the needs of the population because of the extreme poverty in the region, said Person.

"People cut down whatever assets they have for heat and whatever else when they are in dire need," Person explained. "The forest is one of the first things to get destroyed. One of the goals of the program is to teach how important it is to have respect for the environment."

The deforestation has also caused serious top soil erosion, Person said. This erosion leads to lack of farming ability.

But reforestation in Afghanistan will provide more than just shade, he continued.

"The program will not only contribute to the health of the Afghan environment, it will bring jobs to the province."

Ten local Afghan citizens will be trained by a representative from the U.S. Department of Agriculture on how to operate the program. Those 10 Afghans will then supervise 19-man labor forces, thereby increasing the government's self reliance.

"It doesn't take long to make a difference," said Metz. "You just have to be aware of what their needs are, coordinate the effort with the government, and care enough to act quickly."

The speed with which the battalion has worked with the government to improve the lives of the Afghan people in Paktika province has solidified its relationship to key members of the central and local governments. The battalion's efforts have also demonstrated to the Afghan people that their new government is not like its predecessor.

Maj. Wayne Metz, 1-508th Inf (Abn) operations officer, speaks with a village elder prior to handing over two pallets of humanitarian aid on behalf of coalition forces and the governor of the Paktika Province during a humanitarian aid drop.



Commentary

Enlisted personnel chief clarifies E-5 promotion policy

Army News Service
Press Release

There has been much discussion recently regarding Automatic List Integration for promotion to sergeant.

I would like to take the opportunity to clear up some misconceptions.

This new policy does not result in automatic promotions nor does it change Army Standards for promotion.

Commanders have the responsibility to deny list integration if the Soldier is not trained, or is otherwise unqualified in accordance with the standards outlined in Chapter 3 of the Army Regulation 600-3-19, Enlisted Promotions and Reductions.

Unit leadership is still an integral part of the promotion process. The commander makes the final decision on whether the Soldier is ready for increased leadership responsibility. Experience shows that commanders are taking an active role to ensure the quality of the Army's noncommissioned officer corps.

With increased operational requirements due to the Global War on Terrorism, the Army has been struggling with getting otherwise fully eligible Soldiers boarded.

Ten years ago, the Army maintained 30 percent of all eligible specialists/E-4s in a promotable status. Today the number has fallen to around 10 percent.

This downward trend in promotable Soldiers and the increasing promotion

requirements have resulted in an increasing number of NCO shortages.

The Soldiers being integrated have at least four years in service and, in many cases two years time in grade, are likely combat veterans and most have reenlisted.

These soldiers are fully qualified for promotion to Sergeant.

Promotions from this population will only occur in Military Occupational Specialties when the operating strength falls below 100 percent and after all other eligible boarded Soldiers have been selected.

Also keep in mind when we are short sergeants in an MOS, someone, a qualified specialist, is stepping up and doing the sergeant's work, so why not promote and pay them for the job they are doing?

The Army has implemented this policy to ensure a viable population of promotable Soldiers exists in order to meet the increasing demand for NCOs.

With only one month of list-integrated promotions realized, the number of MOS below 100 percent strength at Sergeant decreased by 20 percent and the number of unrealized promotions due to a lack of boarded Soldiers has been cut in half.

At the same time, commanders are making the tough calls to ensure quality is maintained.

Submitted by:
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Ambassador says farewell to Italy



From left: Betty Sembler, the Honorable Melvin Sembler, U.S. Ambassador to Italy, and Gen. B.B. Bell, U.S. Army Europe commander, pause for photographers at the recognition ceremony held on Caserma Ederle April 11. The event was to honor the ambassador and his wife for their efforts on behalf of U.S. and Italian relations during the ambassador's two-and-a-half year assignment.

Gen. Bell spoke to the crowd about Amb. Sembler's help in securing Italy's assistance during Task Force Liberia, when then-SETAF commander, Maj. Gen. Thomas Turner led the humanitarian mission to assist the Liberian people against an uprising in their country.

"Nothing is automatic in this business," said Gen. Bell. "But thanks to the ambassador's work in Rome, many issues were smoothed over, and we deeply appreciate all his efforts on our behalf."

Gen. Bell first presented Betty Sembler with a USAREUR Certificate of Appreciation, saying that she—just as much as the ambassador, himself—worked tirelessly on behalf of a good working relationship between the two countries.

After Gen. Bello presented Amb. Sembler with his award, the ambassador said a few words to the community, expressing his gratitude to the Italian people for extending a warm reception to him and his family.

"We love coming to Italy," said Amb. Sembler. "We have always received a warm welcome from the Italian people and, in fact, 30 years ago, we sent our son to the University of Rome. This has been an amazing experience for us and we hope to return as visitors again." (Photo by Diana Bahr, Outlook editor)

Community

Action Council

This forum is to discuss issues that affect the community.

If you have an issue that you would like to submit, visit the 22nd Area Support Group Web site at www.22asg.vicenza.army.mil and click on the Community Action Council link.

This link provides you the opportunity to review issues that have been previously submitted and responded to by post agencies. There is also a form available for you to submit any new issue you would like addressed.

If you have any questions, call 634-5222 or 0444-71-5222 from off post.

The command encourages you to identify yourself when submitting a CAC issue in order to be able to answer your concern directly.

Childcare is offered during the CAC at \$2.50 per hour, per child for children ages 6 weeks through kindergarten from 8:45-11:15 a.m. Preregistration is required.

Children will be cared for in the Child Development Center, Building 395. Children must be registered with Child and Youth Services Central Registration. Call 634-7219 or stop by their new location in Davis Hall.

The next CAC is April 27 at 9 a.m. in the Ederle Theater.

Issue: I live in the old Senior Enlisted quarters in Villaggio. The parking spaces are in badly need of repainting and also need to be assigned like the remodeled quarters.

Currently there are no markings to identify correct parking spaces and we tend to lose space with vehicles parked incorrectly. We have recently had our quarters exterior painted; will they also

repaint the parking spaces?

Response from Directorate of Public Works: We had originally planned to accomplishing the cul-de-sac parking space striping work last October after the Villaggio renovation work was completed, but funding was an issue. We now have funding and the work will be accomplished as soon as possible – weather permitting.

Issue: I am a member of the Camp Darby community. In Vicenza there is the Hall of Heroes that is not accessible unless there's an event in the building.

Can the information be put on the Web site showing all the Medal of Honor recipients along with photos and citation?

Response from S-3: The Hall of Heroes was designed to host classroom instruction, briefings, and small ceremonies for up to 50 personnel. Community members can contact Brenda Sims, 22nd ASG DPTMS Training office at 634-6533 for scheduling information.

Response from 22nd ASG Public Affairs Office: We appreciate your suggestion. The 22nd ASG will soon add a link on the 22nd ASG Web site.

Issue: Why does the clinic, optometry in this example, only open the appointment book one week at a time? Why can't a patient make an optometry appointment a couple weeks in advance? Each week I call and that week's appointments are already full. Then I am not allowed to schedule something for the next week/in the future. I have to call back on Monday of the next week just to find out all the appointments are full again.

Response from U.S. Army Health Clinic-Vicenza: Optometry appointment openings extend out as far as 21 days. Recently there has been an increased demand

for appointments and bookings with medical pre-deployments of Soldiers.

The clinic apologizes for the unavailability of appointments. It is anticipated there will be an increase in availability starting in April.

Unfortunately, we have 10 no shows per week, which is a waste of valuable Army resources when there are so many patients waiting for appointments. Patients are requested to cancel their appointments as far ahead as possible if they know they cannot make the appointment.

Any patient experiencing extreme difficulty making an appointment can call our Patient Assistance officer Jo Penhallegon at 634-7952 for direct assistance.

Issue: Why diesel is \$8 more per 100 liters than unleaded gas, when it is 11 centissime cheaper at the pumps.

Response from AAFES: As you already know, the Italian gas program is operated by the Navy. The Navy's response to your question is: The gas coupon price includes two factors; the industrial product cost, and cost of the Euro currency for the payments made to the oil companies.

On Feb. 1, 2005 the industrial product cost for unleaded gasoline decreased 4.85 percent and the cost for diesel increased 11.56 percent.

For this reason the coupon price for unleaded was lowered but not for diesel.

As far as the pump price, it is made up of four components as follows:

1. Industrial product cost
2. ACCISE taxes (Government)
3. IVA (National Sales Tax)
4. Addizionale regionale (Tax)

Diesel fuel taxes are 30 percent lower than unleaded. The Italian central and local

governments can change them anytime.

The difference between the pump price and the coupon price is because of the taxes. Therefore, it's not accurate to compare the coupon price to that charged at the pump. We hope this helps to clarify your question.

Issue: Each time they show first-run movies at the Ederle Theater, the theater staff is overwhelmed, and they run out of popcorn, ice, etc. The movies are often out of focus and there is no one to make the adjustments.

Can AAFES take care of these issues?

Response from AAFES: Thank you for bringing this to our attention. The AAFES management apologizes if they have run out of any product.

To service our community better, we are purchasing another ice dispenser, and will monitor our staffing on blockbuster movie showings.

We are monitoring all movies to ensure the scope lens is focused. When a movie screen is moved, or anything happens inside the theater that would change the distance from the projector to the screen, it will go out of focus.

If you see a movie out of focus please bring it to our supervisor on duty attention so we may fix it as quickly as possible.

As a reminder, the theater box office opens at 6 p.m., one hour prior to the movie start time to ensure our customers have plenty of time to purchase snacks or beverages, and be seated before the movie begins.

Issue: Why can't the post commissary be open on Mondays?

Response from DECA: We have sent the request up to our higher headquarters and the request was disapproved. The Vicenza post commissary does not make enough money on Mondays to benefit us to be open.

Family members need to know vehicle registration requirements, exceptions during deployments

By Adeal Frater
Provost Marshals Office
Press Release

In accordance with the Tri-service Regulation 550-32, military and civilian members of the armed forces who are sponsors are authorized to purchase gas coupons for their primary vehicle (the original white AFI plate) only.

Gas coupons may be used in secondary vehicles (black AFI plate), and all vehicles must have current insurance, registration and a current safety inspection at all times.

The fuel authorization card is maintained in the cash cage at the post exchange.

The registrations and inspections are good for one year. The vehicle registration expiration date is located underneath the license plate number in the upper right corner on your vehicle registration certificate.

Prior to the expiration date on the registration, the sponsor/owner must get a safety inspection, take the vehicle to the registration office with proof of current insurance, and have the registration renewed. The vehicle registration office will prepare a new gas coupon card and send it to the PX cash cage for your use.

People may have up to three vehicles registered, but all of them must have current insurance, registration, and a safety inspection. This is mandatory by Italian law and the Tri-service Regulation 550-32. Failure to comply will result in the suspension of the sponsor's gas coupon authorization.

Also, if the owner is cited by the Italian authorities, it could result in a fine up to \$700, plus towing and storage fees for the vehicle.

The SETAF Commanding General, has authorized a provisional exception to policy for safety inspections and registration renewals for all vehicles of deployed Soldiers.

This exception allows the vehicle registration office to update the vehicle registration(s) of all AFI registered privately owned vehicles of deployed Soldiers.

This exception will eliminate the need for the annual safety inspection, as well as the registration renewal fees that apply.

This exception **does not** eliminate the "road tax" requirement, which is an international agreement and can't be waived by the command. The road tax must be paid annually.

This exception also **does not** negate the

insurance requirement, which is mandatory by Italian law.

The vehicle registration will be updated and sent to the individuals CMR box. The applicable gas card will be updated and sent to the PX cash cage.

ACI towing service

The Automobile Club of Italy has a towing program and vehicle assistance program for the cost of 69 Euro annually.

Any members whose vehicle breaks down on a public street or roadway can call a toll free number for roadside towing or assistance 24/7.

This assistance includes all of Italy and European Union countries. There are many benefits included in the package, and those individuals who are interested can contact the Vehicle Registration office at 634-7001.

For further information on ACI or vehicle registration issues contact the vehicle registration at 634-7001, or civilian 0444-71-7001.

For assistance with vehicle inspections, contact Directorate Logistics, Installation Material Maintenance Activity, at 634-6902, or civilian 0444-71-6902.

Army Emergency Relief helps Soldiers, families

By Megan Gafford
Special to the Outlook

The Army Emergency Relief Fund is a program that raises money to help Soldiers and their families in times of financial need.

Among those AER can help include:

- Soldiers and their dependents,
- Retired Soldiers and their dependents
- Members of the Army National Guard and the U.S. Army Reserve who have been on continuous active duty for over 30 days and their dependents
- ARNG and USAR soldiers who retired at the age of 60 and their dependents, and
- The surviving spouses and orphans of Soldiers who died while on active duty or after they retired

Those Soldiers and dependents who are eligible for help from AER can receive money to help with basic needs like food, rent, utilities, funeral expenses, emergency transportation and vehicle repair, medical and dental, expenses, and more.

However, AER cannot help pay for nonessentials, finance ordinary leave or vacation, be used to pay fines or legal

expenses, help liquidate or consolidate debt, assist with buying a home or be used for home improvements, help purchase, rent or lease vehicle, and you cannot use AER funds



to cover bad checks or pay credit card bills.

How does AER get this money? It comes from generous people like the ones in this community. It also comes from repayment of AER interest-free loans, and investment income.

However, to receive aid it is not necessary to donate money yourself. All you need to bring with you to the AER Office when you need assistance is your military I.D. card, your Leave and Earnings Statement, Leave/PCS orders, and any substantiating documents, such as car repair estimates, rental agreements, utility bills, and the like.

"My experience with AER has been great; this is truly a service that assists those in need," said Richard Hendrickson, 22nd Area Support Group Human Resources specialist.

Since its establishment in 1942 by the Secretary of War, AER has lent a helping hand to 2.9 million Soldiers and their dependents in times of financial emergency. AER prides itself on being where Soldiers are stationed when they need help.

Donations to AER can be made in person, through their Web site: www.aerhq.org, or by an allotment.

Persons who need assistance from, or who want to donate to, AER can visit the AER office in the Davis Family Readiness Center on Caserma Ederle.

On Camp Darby, contact Elizabeth Speck at 633-7636.

Exceptional Family Member Program offers help for those with special needs

By Rosemary Bubnick
Special to the Outlook

Many times an individual or the family member of an individual with special needs, either medical or education related, benefit from the support and help of others facing similar needs and concerns.

EFMP is here to support you and the special needs of your family. We have tools and resources to help you and your Exceptional Family Member during your stay in the Vicenza community.

The Exceptional Family Member Program is currently organizing a Multiple Sclerosis support group. If you are interested in such a group, or know of others who may be interested, please share this information.

The EFMP Office is located in the Army Community Service Office in the Davis Family Readiness Center.

If you have questions, suggestions or would like more information about forming other support groups, contact the EFMP manager, Rosemary Bubnick at 634-8582, or drop by the

Information Assurance refresher training is mandatory

By John Cannon
Special to the Outlook

The Chief of Staff of the Army has directed all commanders to take a personal interest in raising the Information Assurance awareness in their commands in order to protect all Army networks from degradation, attack, and exploitation.

The **Information Assurance Refresher Training** has been developed to help commanders meet this requirement. This Web-based training presentation takes less than 20 minutes to complete, but contains information vital to protecting Army computers and networks.

Topics include: Internet use, e-mail policy, consent to monitoring, password policy, instant messaging, viruses and anti-virus software, and security risks, threats, and vulnerabilities.

The training is to be conducted once a year by every individual that uses a computer connected to an Army in Europe network.

Steps to completing the IA Refresher Training are:

1. Go to <https://www.uatp.hqusareur.army.mil>
2. Log onto the UATP Web site using your username/password. (If unknown, click the Need Help? button)
3. Click IA Refresher Training link at left under General Information, or use link at bottom of page.
4. Click the View Presentation button and complete the Refresher Training.

Information Assurance Managers have the permissions on their UATP accounts to query the UATP training database and generate a report listing those personnel who have completed this refresher training.

Supervisors who want a report showing staff members who have completed this training, should contact their IAM or John Cannon, IA specialist, USAREUR Automation Training Center, at 634-6077 and request the report.

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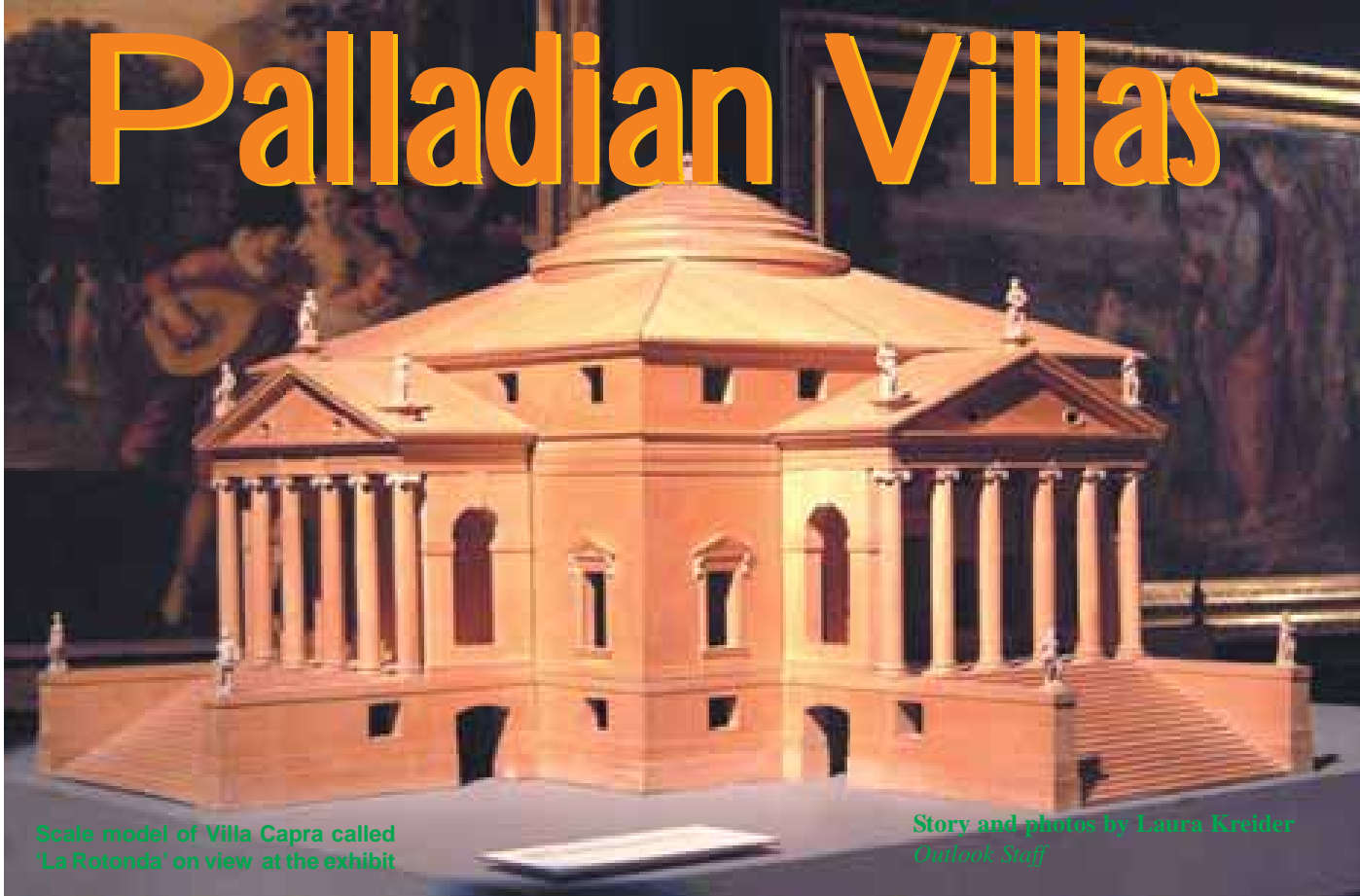
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Palladian Villas



Scale model of Villa Capra called 'La Rotonda' on view at the exhibit

Story and photos by Laura Kreider Outlook Staff

Spread throughout the Veneto fields and hills, at least 4,000 villas represent one of the peculiarities of architecture that developed in the Veneto territory from the XV to the XX century.

More than any other architect who worked in the area, Andrea Palladio – born in Padova in 1508 – influenced his time and centuries afterward, not only in Italy and Europe, but also in North America.

After he studied the classics, such as Roman architecture, he reinterpreted the villa type, adapting it to the new needs of the wealthy noble families who owned properties on the *terrafirma*, the countryside around Venice.

The villa became not only a residence for the rich city dwellers but an economical center to develop agricultural activities.

A unique possibility to understand more about the villa from its origin to recent times, is offered through the exhibit, “*Andrea Palladio e la Villa Veneta*” (Andrea Palladio and the Veneto Villa), housed in Palazzo Barbaran da Porto, one of the palaces in downtown Vicenza that was been entirely remodeled by Palladio.

The palace itself is worth a visit. Used as a residence for the Vicentino aristocrat Montano Barbarano, the palace, remodeled between 1570 –75, shows some of the architectural



Above: Detail of a Roman fresco from the Archaeological Museum of Venice. Right: The facade of Palazzo Barbaran da Porto, in downtown Vicenza, the palace built by Palladio for the aristocrat Montano Barbarano between 1570-75. Below: A group of local students enjoy playing with the plastic models in the courtyard to learn about the Palladian Villas.



elements used by Palladio who had to combine preexisting structures into a unified building. The architect was not new at designing elaborate projects that included ancient buildings as he previously did with the example of the Basilica Palladiana in the Piazza dei Signori.

After entering the four-columned atrium, visitors start the exhibit going through an introduction about the villa during the Roman and Medieval period, and there are several items on display such as mosaics, old manuscripts and statues.

The main portion of the exhibit is located on the first floor in the main room. Here, visitors will see the Palladian production through original drawings, paintings and modern wooden scale models.

While the architectural drawings, maps and the models inform about the shape and the concept of the villa, the surrounding paintings on display narrate the lifestyle at the villa.

“Above all a culture which saw country life as less stressful and healthier than that in the city, and more conducive to the peace of the soul and the activities of the mind,” is what the International Center of Studies of Architecture Andrea Palladio (CISA) President of the Advisory Committee, Howard Burns, wrote in his introduction to the exhibition. The working group who prepared the exhibit is formed of archivists, social and economic historians, as well as art and architecture historians. The group worked for many years researching the material and contacting the museums to organize the event.

“First, we identified, in the main European museums from the National Gallery in London to the Louvre in Paris and several German museums, all the works of this past history of the villa,” said Guido Beltramini director of CISA .

“We tried to receive not only the drawings of the architects who planned these villas, starting with Palladio, whose drawings have been in London since 1600, but also paintings and other outstanding pieces, such as the wonderful wooden model of Villa Pisani in Stra, a sort of Versailles in the Veneto, that has never been built according to this model.”

Some 300 objects showing the long history of the villa in the Veneto region during and after Palladio’s lifetime, coming from more than 70 national and foreign museums, are on display until July 3.

The exhibit is only the beginning of an itinerary, a prelude to the visit of some other Palladian masterpieces, such as Villa Badoer in Fratta Polesine near Rovigo (1554), Villa Emo at Fanzolo near Castelfranco (1558) or Palazzo Chiericati and the Teatro Olimpico (1580) in downtown Vicenza. The itinerary can also be combined with a visit to other renowned villas influenced by Palladio, such as the new ‘giant’ villas *Contarini* at Piazzola sul Brenta and *Pisani* at Stra’. The Museo Palladio is open Monday through Thursday, from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., and Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. Free audio guides are available in English, along with brochures with directions to reach the villas.



Below: Detail of the painting ‘The Annunciation’ by Biagio d’Antonio painted at the beginning of the XVI century on view in one of the rooms.



Sightseeing - Architecture in the Veneto Region

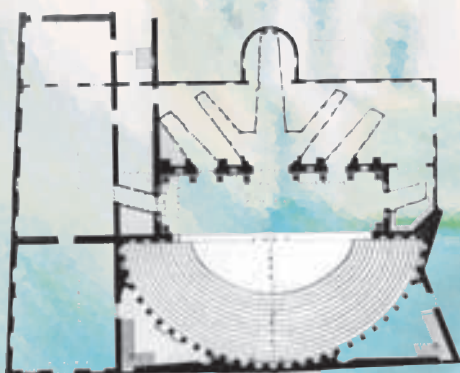


Villa Valmarana “ai Nani”, Vicenza

The ticket of the exhibit includes the visit to Palladio Museum in Palazzo Barbaran da Porto, but also to the Teatro Olimpico, (See Floor plan below on the left), Palazzo Chiericati Museum, and Palazzo Leoni Montanari, in downtown Vicenza.

The ticket can be valid one, three or seven days according to the cost that varies from 10,00-16,00-20,00 Euro. In addition to the local museums, the ticket offers the unique opportunity to visit some among the most renowned villas in the Veneto Region, some of which were created by Palladio such as Villa Emo in Fanzolo, Villa Poiana, in Poiana Maggiore and Villa Badoer in Fratta Polesine. Other villas that visitors can see with their ticket were influenced by this architect’s style including Villa Contarini in Piazzola, started in 1546, below, and (left) Villa Valmarana “ai Nani” in Vicenza (1669).

Teatro Olimpico, Vicenza



Villa Contarini, Piazzola sul Brenta



Need help with a translation?

Volunteer translators offer language connection

Story and photo
By Russ Rizzo
Stars and Stripes

After five months haggling with a local telephone company over problems with his Internet service, Nick White marched over to the Caserma Ederle Family Readiness Center and enlisted the help of someone who spoke the company's language.

White, the Housing program manager for the base, speaks only English. Customer service agents at the telephone company, Tiscali, speak only Italian. But Cristina Bowers, a volunteer at the center, speaks both.

For many Americans living on military bases abroad, language barriers can make simple tasks like questioning a phone bill or describing a rattle in one's car to a mechanic difficult ones. At most bases, they can find host country personnel working in places like family support centers who are willing to help them.

But few bases offer the extensive translation help found at Vicenza.

The recently-opened Family Readiness Center staffs 19 volunteers, at various times throughout the week, who speak nine languages ranging from Italian and German to Russian and Czechoslovakian.

The volunteers work when their

schedules permit but are usually available two hours a day, said Rita Bonamego, Deployment Mobilization Program manager for Army Community Service, who put together the team of translators. They translate documents, write letters and translate conversations over the phone.

The center's translation operation is enough to leave family support offices at other bases envious.

"We should offer these sorts of services," said Cristella Catalano, volunteer coordinator



Cristina Bowers, a volunteer translator with the Family Readiness Center, helps translate a letter for Nick White. Bowers is one of 19 FRC volunteers who is available to help with translations.

at the Family Support Center in Naples, Italy.

When Sailors in Naples call the Family Support Center, Catalano scrambles to find someone who speaks the language they need, she said. Catalano hopes to assemble a team of volunteer translators like Vicenza has.

In the meantime, Catalano and others can refer military community members to Military OneSource, a private company contracted by the government that offers a range of services including document translation in 123 languages.

Military OneSource promises a turnaround time of no more than two business days, according to the company.

Most people who come in to Vicenza's translation help office have trouble communicating with local telephone companies, said Deborah Rogers, one of the center's volunteer translators.

"Everybody has that kind of problem," Rogers said.

The second most common problem: dealing with mechanics, Rogers said.

Need translation help?

You have two options. Call the Family Readiness Center at 634-7969 and ask for a volunteer, or, for document translation, call Military OneSource toll-free at 800-3429-6477.

Others need help getting a permit to stay in Italy, or a *soggiorno*, Rogers said.

The other month, a woman needed Rogers to call a restaurant in Venice where she thought she left her cellular phone. The restaurant manager had not seen it.

And then there are the uncomfortable conversations, Rogers said. The ones in which people used to American custom service want Rogers to demand their money back for something they bought in Italy.

"In Italy there really isn't any customer service," Rogers said. But she makes the calls anyway, she said.

With help from a translator, White sent a letter stating his request to end his digital subscriber line contract that was written in Italian.

"I hope this is the end of it," he said.

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Civilians recognized for service

22nd ASG Public Affairs Office
Press Release

The annual 22nd Area Support Group Civilian Awards ceremony took place Friday in the Ederle Theatre.

This year there were 82 people recognized for there service to the community.

Congratulations to the following individuals:

Robert Generelli: Superior Civilian Service Award

Command General USAREUR
Annual Incentive Awards Program

Rita Bonamego: Outstanding Contribution to ACS Programs—Army Family Care Programs

Kara Hussein: Outstanding Contribution to the DOL-Central Issue Facility of the Year

Alex Palomo: Outstanding Contribution to the Military Human Resource Mgmt Program

Renee Citron: Rosie Award and 25 Years Length of Service Award

Special Awards

Diana Bahr: Maj. Gen. Keith L. Ware Award (Best Photograph)

Allen Ebert: Irving Rumensstein Memorial Award (From the International Military Community Executives Association)

Directorate of Public Works Awardees

Michele LoVerde: Achievement Medal for Civilian Service

Special Act Award:

Claudio Adamo, Massimiliano Bozzolan, Miranda Carosini, Renata Croce, Nichole Fin, Teresa Puggioni, Angela Spagnuolo, and Alberto Todero.

On the Spot Award:

Antonio Pauletto, Lorenzo Rigo, and Lorenzo Toniazzo.

Superior Performance Award:

Erik Baltes, Claudio Bevilacqua, Carlo Bortolon, Giorgio Bortolon, Serafino Cera, Maron Corrado, Luca Dal Lago, Francesco Dona', Lorenzo Farinello, Erich Fattori, Elia Ferraro, Alessandro Fochesato, Mauro Gregolin, Massimo Libera, Enzo Maron,



Col. Donald Drummer, 22nd Area Support Group commander, Robert Generelli, Alma Generelli, and Renee Citron, interim Deputy Garrison Commander. Generelli received a Superior Civilian Service Award for his 50 years of service to the Dept. of Defense Dependent's Schools and Morale, Welfare, and Recreation at the Civilian Recognition ceremony held Friday in the Ederle Theatre. (Photo by Diana Bahr, Outlook Editor)

Franco Dalla Massara, Antonio Pauletto, Enrico Perin, Massimo Piron, Lorenzo Rigo, Livio Scalco, Fausto Sicurelli, Simone Todesco, and Lorenzo Toniazzo.

Length of Service Award - Five Years

Eric Baltes, Giacomo Baravalle, Marin Elizabeth Bertuzzo, Maurizio Campesan, Andrea Cavaliere, Federica Croce, Sergio Cuomo, Simone Marangoni, Vanni Miotello, Paola Norini, and Monica Pasqualotto.

Length of Service Award - 10 Years

Giuliano Bedin, Luca Dal Lago, Sarah U. Leong, Antonio Pauletto, Fausto Sicurelli, and Vally Zorzato.

Length of Service Award - 15 Years

Enzo Maron, Leonardo Oliviero, Teresa Puggioni, Attilio Rausse, Alessandro Sallustio, and Michela Sturati.

Length of Service Award - 20 Years

Bruna Andrighetto, Carlo Bortolon, Annamaria Morando, Elia Pignone, and Frank J. Powell Jr.

Length of Service Award - 25 Years

Giancarlo Fattori-Casarotto, Elizabeth A. Leedy, Franco Lidron, and Domenico Peretto.

Length of Service Award - 30 Years

Ferruccio Ronzan, Pietro Zuffo, Steven W. Lindell, and Mario Saggini.

Directorate of Logistics

Length of Service Award - Five Years

Elena Andreoli, Maria Carolina Casali, Marta

Sperotto, Alberta Stocchero, Mauro Stocchero and Carmine Villani.

Length of Service Award - 10 Years

Valerio Turato

Length of Service Award - 15 Years

Gianni Rigon

Length of Service Award - 20 Years

Valerio Andreazzi, Givanni Corezzola,

Gabriella De Boni and Nevio Toich.

Length of Service Award - 25 Years

Carmella Civarelli, Valter Florinaschi, and Antonio Lazzaro

Length of Service Award - 30 Years

Anna Maria Albanese

Office of the Provost Marshal

Daniela Olioso: Achievement for Civilian Service Award

Directorate of MWR

Commander's Award for Civilian Service

Shay Morris and Raymond Raether.

IMA-E Certificate of Appreciation

Tamara Browning

Length of Service Award - Five Years

Denise Frigo

Length of Service Award - 10 Years

Sonia Sternberg

Length of Service Award - 15 Years

Darryle Jones and Joe Reeder

Length of Service Award - 20 Years

Janice Gunn

Length of Service Award - 25 Years

Ricky Jackson

Fun for all at Library Sidewalk Fair



Daniela Castiglione, right, introduces community children to some of the puppets she created and used in her puppet show held in the parking lot of the Post Library during the Library Sidewalk Fair. The main goal of the fair, organized by the 22nd Area Support Group Directorate of MWR along with other organizations on post such as USO, CYS and AAFES, was to promote reading. The library parking lot was turned into series of stations where children and adults could design a bookmark, watch a puppet show, and purchase books, CDs DVDs and VHS tapes. (Photo by Laura Kreider, Outlook staff)

Out & About



By Dorothy Spagnuolo

Donkey race

The town of **Romano D'Ezzelino**, celebrates the 35th Palio delle Contrade, Sunday.

The main events on Sunday, start at 11 a.m. with the opening of the food stands in the main square; at 2:30 p.m. craftsmen will show children how to make handicraft items; at 3 p.m. is a ceremony for the 50th anniversary of the bell tower of Romano and a bell-ringing exhibition.

The bell-ringing exhibition is followed by flag-waving performers and the majorettes of the town.

The Palio, which is a donkey race instead of the usual horse race, takes place at 5:30 p.m.

All people participating in the events will be in medieval costume. In case of bad weather all activities will take place on May 1.

Romano is located as short distance from Bassano del Grappa.

Car, motorcycle parts market

Saturday and Sunday at Foro Boario, located approx. 1 km from the Vicenza est autostrada exit, find the 13th *Mostra Scambio Auto Moto d'Edpoca* market takes place.

This is the place to find parts for your vintage car or motorbike. The market is open from 9 a.m.- 6 p.m. Entrance fee is 7 Euro.

Drag racing

A Drag Racing event will be held at the town of **Adria's** racetrack, located near Rovigo

Organized by the Italian Corvette Racing organization, this is the first year the organization has organized a 'Hot Rodeo.'

To view the program of events taking place Saturday and Sunday, or if you want to participate, can be found at www.corvetteforum.it, click on '4 Corvette Day' for English.

The town of Adria is located 67 miles from Vicenza.

Medieval Sunday events for children

Children can be thrilled by medieval events held in the castle of **Rocca Borromeo**, Angera, located in the southern part of Lake Maggiore.

Sunday the medieval theme is based on 'King Arthur.'

May 8 the theme is 'Harry Potter.'

May 22 is 'Lord of the Rings.' Sept. 18 is 'A Leap into the Past.'

The participants, dressed in medieval costumes, young and old alike, can relive the feats of horsemen, princes and heroes of eras gone by.

In the castle is a 'Museo della Bambola,' (Doll museum) where children can see dolls made of wood, wax, paper mache, porcelain, cloth, celluloid and plastic materials.

Also on exhibit are toys, miniature furniture, and board games that, with over 1,000 pieces, constitutes one of the largest of its kind in Europe.

There is the children's fashion

museum, in three rooms, a collection of pieces spanning from the 17th century to the 1940s.

The castle is open from 9 a.m.- 5:30 p.m., and medieval events start at 10 a.m., with a break for lunch, it starts again at 2:30 p.m.

The entrance fee, which includes all the events, 7 Euros for adults; and 4.50 Euro for children 6 to 15 years of age.

Exhibitions

Padova: The annual Antiques Exhibition and Trade fair takes place this year at the exhibition grounds from Saturday through May 1.

Find more than 120 antique dealers featuring more than 10,000 items, including furniture, paintings, jewelry, silver and carpets.

The exhibition is open weekdays from 3 to 8 p.m.; weekends from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The entrance fee is 7 Euro.

The Padova exhibition grounds can be found after exiting Padova est autostrada exit and following signs for the "Fiera."

The town of **Sabbioneta**, lying near Mantova in southern Lombardia, is a small jewel of a place that was built by the local ruler Vespasiano Gonzago during the 16th century to fulfill his dream of an ideal city.

Now little more than a country village, it boasts strangely grand star-shaped city walls and buildings such as a Palladian-style Teatro Olimpico, Palazzo Ducale, and Palazzo del Giardino.

This month Sabbioneta also plays host to the *Mostra Mercato dell'Antiquariato*, one of the oldest and important antique fairs in Italy.

Involving hundreds of antique dealers, it offers the double satisfaction of admiring the beautiful wares on display and their noble settings, the rooms of Palazzo Ducale itself.

This year the fair runs from Friday through May 1. It's open weekdays from 3-8 p.m. and weekends from 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Historical parade

In Verona on Sunday there will be a torchlight procession and historical parade in genuine 18th century costumes. The procession departs at 8:30 p.m. from *Pazzetta Pasque Veronesi*, opposite Castelvechio, and features

buglers, drummers, figurants with cannons, dress-swords, rifles and costumes of 200 years ago.

The uniform colors represent: the following: the yellow-blue is from the Veronese Noble Guard, the blue represents the Infantry of the Serenissima, and the brown-white one of the Austrian Imperialists.

The procession will pass through the places of the insurrection of Verona against the French revolutionaries, made to defend the Catholic religion and the legitimate government of the Republic of Venice.

In the afternoon, different groups that are participating in the evening procession will be walking round the main streets of the city.

There will also be a cannon fired once every hour in Piazza Bra reminding all of the parade that evening, and when Verona rose up against Napoleon on April 17-25 in 1797.

St. Mark's Day in Venice

The patron saint of Venice is St. Mark and is always celebrated on April 25.

A special festival is held with the holiday jointly commemorating the city's historic founding on that day in 421 AD.

Venetians hold a gondola race in the *Bacina di San Marco* and throw feasts in honor of the saint, making sure to include 'risi e bisi' rice and peas, a dish historically served to the doge each year on St. Mark's Day.

But there is a different, more unusual tradition also observed on this holiday - and that is the sale of *boccioli buds*, of red roses.

On April 25 Venetian men purchase one of these flowers as a token of love for the lady in his life.

The longer the flower's stem, the deeper the love.

According to the legend, this practice originated when a soldier, who was in love with the doge's daughter, was mortally wounded during a battle.

As his blood spilled onto the ground, it bore red roses, which he entrusted to his companion to take to the girl.

Although the tale does not specify that the flowers arrived on St. Mark's Day, Venetians have elected to celebrate this pagan miracle on the day of their patron saint.



The historical bridge of Verona leads to the Castelvecchio and is pedestrian only. On Sunday there will be a torchlight procession and historical parade in genuine 18th century costumes. The procession departs at 8:30 p.m. from *Pazzetta Pasque Veronesi* across from the Castelvecchio. (Outlook file photo)

Now Showing

Caserna Ederle Theater

April 20	The Wedding Date PG13	7:30 p.m.
April 21	Phantom of the Opera (PG13)	7 p.m.
April 22	Man of the House Boogeyman (PG13)	7 p.m. 10 p.m.
April 23	Pooh's Heffalump Move (G) Are We There Yet? (PG) Man of the House (PG13)	2 p.m. 7 p.m. 10 p.m.
April 24	Are We There Yet? (PG) Man of the House (PG13)	2 p.m. 7 p.m.

Family Nights

April 20	Scooby Doo: Monsters Unleashed (PG)	5 p.m.
April 27	Pooh's Heffalump Movie (G)	5 p.m.

Admission for Family Nights:

Adults age 12 and over \$4, children \$1.25.

Wednesdays and Family Night will be on a trail basis. Response from the community will determine continuation.

Camp Darby Theater

April 22	Constantine (R)	7 p.m.
April 23	The Aviator (PG13)	7 p.m.

Movie Synopsis

ARE WE THERE YET - *Ice Cube, Nia Long*. Nick, a smooth operator, is trying to land a date with Suzanne. Problem is Suzanne, a divorcee, is stuck working in Vancouver and miserable because she misses her kids. Seizing the opportunity, Nick gallantly offers to make her wish come true - and his own in the process - by bringing seven-year-old Kevin and eleven-year-old Lindsey up from Portland, Oregon to be reunited with their mom. What Nick doesn't know is that Suzanne's children think that no man is good enough for their mom and will do everything they can to make the trip a nightmare for him.

THE AVIATOR - *Leonardo DiCaprio, Cate Blanchett*. A snapshot in the life of the legendary Howard Hughes as he begins to direct the 1930 film "Hell's Angels" starring Jean Harlow. Hughes' obsession with perfection in the aerial sequences spurs him to extreme lengths, such as waiting interminably for perfect conditions, right down to cloud formations. "The Aviator" ends in 1946, when Hughes was still a young man and romancing actresses like Ava Gardner and Katharine Hepburn.

BOOGEYMAN - *Barry Watson, Emily Deschanel*. Tim is a man who is still haunted by traumatic memories of his past, many linked to the death of his father. Desperate to resolve his issues, Tim returns to his old hometown so he can pay a visit to the house where he grew up. But while Tim wants to convince himself the ghostly memories he carries are just a figment of his imagination, circumstances lead him to believe that there may be a kernel of truth to them.

CONSTANTINE - *Keanu Reeves, Rachel Weisz*. Based on the DC-Vertigo comic book "Hellblazer", Renegade occultist John Constantine has literally been to hell and back. He teams up with skeptical policewoman Angela Dodson to solve the mysterious suicide of her twin sister. Their investigation takes them through the world of demons and angels that exists just beneath the landscape of contemporary Los Angeles.

MAN OF THE HOUSE - *Tommy Lee Jones, Cedric the Entertainer*. Hard-edged Texas Ranger Ronald Sharp is assigned to protect the only witnesses to the murder of a key figure in the prosecution of a drug kingpin - a group of University of Texas cheerleaders. Sharp must now go undercover as an assistant cheerleading coach and move in with the young women - possibly the most terrifying assignment in his 30-year career.

PHANTOM OF THE OPERA - *Gerard Butler, Emmy Rossum*. A disfigured musical genius haunts the catacombs beneath the Paris Opera, waging a reign of terror over its occupants. When he falls fatally in love with the lovely Christine, the Phantom devotes himself to creating a new star for the Opera, exerting a strange sense of control over the young soprano as he nurtures her extraordinary talents. He's smitten and wants Christine for his own, but Christine meets up with her childhood acquaintance Raoul and the two fall in love. Feeling betrayed, the Phantom decides to kidnap her and imprison her with him in his lair. Raoul is now the only one who can stop him.

THE WEDDING DATE - *Debra Messing, Dermot Mulroney*. Kat Ellis's worst nightmare is about to come true. Not only is her younger, half-sister, Amy, getting married before her, but to add insult to injury, the groom's best man is Kat's ex-fiancée, Jeffrey. Unable to bear the thought of attending alone, she hires an escort to play her boyfriend. He's handsome, intelligent, well spoken, and a perfect gentleman. The plan? Make Kat's ex sorry that he ever let her go.

Admission: Adults age 12 and over \$4, children \$2.

The Ederle Theatre box office opens one hour prior to show time. Tickets to blockbuster shows are presold at Baskin Robbins.



Go fly a kite!

Despite gloomy weather, about 75 community children and their parents participated in the first Kite Fest that took place at the Villaggio Baseball Field April 9 from 10 a.m. to about noon. The event was sponsored by Youth Sports with the assistance of Master kite maker and flier Davide Bergen.

"The parent and child turnout was excellent," said Yvonne Lanier, Youth Sports clinician. "The event was open to children of all ages. They were lined up waiting for the event to begin."

First, the children participated in a workshop where they were able to design their own kite, assemble it, and fly it. They were also able to fly various demonstration kites that soared through the air at great heights, according to Lanier. Participants were able to keep their kites to fly on another good windy day.

"The kite fest was a great success with many asking when the next one would be," Lanier said. (Photo by Laura Kreider, Outlook Staff)

Vicenza schools preregistration scheduled

Vicenza Elementary School procedures

School registration is an annual requirement by DoD Regulation to determine continued eligibility for school enrollment. Accurate and complete school enrollments assist principals and the District Superintendents Office in projecting appropriate resources to support the coming school year. It is a critical activity for schools since funding and staffing authorizations are based on enrollment and enrollment projections.

This process is very important for three reasons:

1. Our staffing and budgets are driven by enrollments.
2. When families re-register returning students early, schools can plan to budget resources needed to support the education program.
3. Early enrollments allow us to determine the available space we have to help support contractors and other "space available" families who contribute to the military mission.

All students will need to register for School Year 2005-2006. Registration will be held in the Vicenza High School gym Thursday and Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to

12:30 p.m., and from 1:30-3 p.m.

Parents with questions about registration should contact the school registrar, Ms. DeMuri, at 634-7710. She will answer questions you may have regarding registration.

Please note that children must be 5 years old by Oct. 31 in order to be eligible for Kindergarten.

Documents required for registration of Kindergarten and first-time VES students include:

- Copy of sponsor orders listing dependents
- Birth certificate
- Passport
- Child's Social Security Number
- Immunization record

Children entering first grade must be 6 years of age by Oct. 31.

If the child is being registered for the first time in Vicenza Elementary School, the parent will need to bring all the above documents listed above that are the same for registering Kindergartners.

Parents of returning students will need to update the information on the preprinted registration and sign forms for School Year 2005-2006.

All documentation is necessary for a child to be registered for School Year 2005-2006.

Vicenza High School procedures

Vicenza High School registration for School year 2005/06 for returning students will be held Friday from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 1:30-3 p.m in the Vicenza High School gymnasium.

There is no school for students on Friday. Registration procedures include:

- ◆ Update on demographic information, and sponsor's or spouse's signature on registration forms. Registration form must be signed in the presence of the school registrar.
- ◆ Extension of military orders showing extension of tour or change of unit, if applicable.
- ◆ Review of health records. Children not meeting immunization requirements cannot enroll.
- ◆ Transportation sign-up with the School Bus Office.

It is recommended that sponsors come to register their child(ren) on this date as this is the only time the school's registrar, nurse, school bus office and Parent, Teacher Student Association representatives will all be available at the same time.

A child will not be considered registered for school for School Year 2005-06 unless all necessary documentation is presented.

Preregistration is important because staffing is determined by the numbers of students registered.

Please notify the school if child(ren) will not return next school year or if they will depart prior to the end of the current school year, which is June 16. This will enable the high school registrar to prepare school records.

Report card distribution will take place on Friday, also. Report cards may be picked up by parents in the high school gym. Teachers are available in their classrooms for conferences.

School bus transportation

The School Bus Office will be open Thursday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Parents will need to register with this office in order to ensure proper transportation for their child(ren) for the upcoming school year. Parents and student should go to the Bus Office where digital photographs will be taken.

During the summer of 2005, a major overhaul of route numbers will take place. It is important that all bus passes are turned in to the School Bus office at the end of this school year to preclude a student inadvertently accessing an incorrect route.

CPR/First Aid course teaches lifesaving skills, gives confidence

Story and photo
By Laura Kreider
Outlook Staff

The American Red Cross Mediterranean Hub held an Adult, Infant and Child Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and First Aid class for the Caserma Ederle community April 13 and 14.

"The purpose of this course was to give individuals the knowledge and skills necessary to recognize and provide basic care for injuries and sudden illnesses until advanced medical personnel arrive and take over," said Elizabeth Nelson, American Red Cross Health and Safety Chairman.

Participants who complete and pass all course sessions and written exams receive certification in CPR/First Aid, according to Nelson.

"Standard First Aid certification lasts three years, and the Adult, Child and Infant CPR certification is good for one year," she

said.

Ana Clark was one of the participants in the two-day class instructed by Jennifer Wessner, ARC volunteer.

"This class has helped me feel confident that I can help someone in an emergency," said Clark upon finishing the course.

The next Adult, Infant and Child CPR/First Aid course is a two-day class offered on April 30 and May 7 from 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. each day. Participants must attend both Saturday sessions. The course is open to all ages.

The course fee is \$35 and includes materials. Sign up at the American Red Cross office in the Davis Family Readiness Center, Room 47 by April 27.

Call the Red Cross at 634-7089 for details.

At left, Ana Clark practices Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Rescue Breathing during the Adult, Infant and Child CPR/First Aid class that was held in Davis Family Readiness Center Thursday.

