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Remembering our heroes

Soldiers, Italian and American veterans, civilians and politicians came together at Florence Military Cemetery Memorial Day to pay tribute to the American Soldiers buried there. Caserma Ederle supplied the Color Guard, from the 173d Combat Support Battalion (Airborne), honor platoon from the 24th Quartermaster Company and a firing party from Headquarters Support Company, SETAF. The Italian honor platoon came from the 78th Regiment, "Lupi di Toscana" (Tuscan Wolves). At the conclusion of the wreath-laying ceremony, the American ambassador to Italy, Melvin Sembler, praised the sacrifice of American Soldiers saying, "I believe that today's strong ties between our countries were cemented by the sacrifice of those young American Soldiers, too many of whom rest forever here in the Italian earth." (Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Eugene Pomeroy, SETAF Public Affairs)

22nd ASG begins juvenile crime prevention program

22nd Area Support Group
Press Release

The 22nd Area Support Group will be implementing the Juvenile Crime Prevention Program. This program is geared at addressing juvenile misconduct in the Vicenza and Livorno communities. The objective of this program is two-fold:

1. An emphasis which educates both parents and juveniles on their responsibilities to prevent crime in our communities. Examples would be the Safe Neighborhood Awareness Program and Drug Abuse Resistance Education.

2. Identifying and recommending rehabilitation efforts directed toward identified juvenile delinquents, through the use of 22nd ASG Juvenile Review Board.

The JRB will adjudicate misconduct by juveniles on Caserma Ederle and Camp Darby. The board is informal and administrative in nature.

The objective of the hearing is to: (1) determine whether misconduct occurred, and (2) if so, what the appropriate corrective action should be.

The scope of corrective action should be to educate, deter, rehabilitate, and prevent recidivism of juvenile misconduct. No criminal record will exist as a result of participation in the Board.

The juvenile and his or her sponsor have the following rights:

1. To be present during the hearing
2. To be confronted with the investigative reports
3. To present witnesses and other evidence.

Some of the administrative actions that may be imposed, if the juvenile is found to have committed the misconduct include:

1. Requiring the juvenile to submit a written report to be published in the installation newspaper.

2. Referral to appropriate social services (counseling, etc.).

3. Placement of the juvenile on supervised or unsupervised probation with or without community service, which could result in the forfeiture of certain privileges in the event of further acts of misconduct.

4. Withdrawal of installation privileges or activities or activities for an indefinite or specified amount of time or specified amount of time.

5. Requiring the juvenile (sponsor) to make financial restitution for any damages caused by their misconduct.

6. Recommendation that the family be required to vacate government quarters.

7. Placing the juvenile on curfew during a period of probation.

8. Requiring participation in community service by the juvenile and the sponsor.

9. Requiring the juvenile to write a letter of apology to be appropriately published (e.g., posted at the entrance of the post exchange, if the incident involved shoplifting).

The JRB is comprised of various official and functional experts, as well as student peer review members.

Participation in the 22nd ASG Juvenile Review Board is voluntary. Both the juvenile and the sponsor must consent to the jurisdiction of the Board prior to the case being processed.

If the juvenile and the sponsor decline to participate in the Board process, this may result in Civilian Misconduct Action Authority or command action to terminate command sponsorship for the family member concerned.

Lion Shake exercise helps plan for emergencies

We live in a different world than we did before Sept. 11, 2001. We are now more aware of our vulnerabilities, more appreciative of our freedoms and more understanding that we have personal responsibilities for the safety of our families and our military community.

Environmental disasters, accidents and emergencies can happen anytime and anywhere. It is extremely important to be prepared for these events in case they occur within our community. Emergency

planning is the key to coping with the impact of hazards. The only way to ensure that our plans are effective and easily implemented is to test them frequently.

Lion Shake '06 is our annual exam that assesses our plan and our ability to execute that plan. Through this exercise, the Vicenza military community can become better informed and prepared to face any emergency, natural or otherwise!

For the 22nd ASG, Force Protection/Antiterrorism is our number-one priority.

BRAC 2005 comes at 'perfect time' to help Army 'reset'

By Sgt. 1st Class Doug Sample
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON—The 2005 Base Realignment and Closure recommendations could not have come at a better time as the Army begins realigning units overseas and looks for a clearer picture on where to put them, service leaders said during a media roundtable May 26 in the Pentagon.

On May 13, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld proposed the closure of 15 active Army bases, seven leased bases, 176 Army Reserve installations, and 211 Army National Guard facilities.

"The timing for this BRAC has been perfect for the Army because it has allowed us through our analysis process to figure out the right location to reset units from overseas as we bring them back," said Geoffrey Prosch, principal deputy assistant Army secretary for installations and environment.

"The analysis has given us that fidelity, and it has also enabled us to validate where we are standing up these 10 new brigades," he said, referring to the Army's

transformation to a modular force structure that calls for an increase from 33 to 43 maneuver brigades.

Meanwhile, Prosch said, BRAC 2005 will allow the Army to meet its goal of streamlining its portfolio of installations, part of which is being done through an integrated global presence and basing strategy.

That strategy, he said, will determine how units and assets overseas will be "reset and relocated."

In Europe, he said, some 148 installations are expected to close and thousands of troops and their families returned to the United States.

According to the Army's new basing strategy for units returning from overseas, the 1st Armored Division headquarters and three heavy brigades will go to Fort Bliss, Texas, while a brigade from Korea will head to Fort Carson, Colo.

The 1st Infantry Division headquarters and an aviation brigade will be based at Fort Riley, Kansas. Several small maneuver-enhancement brigades and support units will

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go to Fort Knox, Ky.

Craig College, deputy assistant secretary of the Army for infrastructure analysis and director of the Army Basing Study Group, said several units will deactivate overseas, and soldiers from those units will be reassigned elsewhere.

In all, he said, more than 47,000 troops from overseas will be reassigned to units in the United States.

Those soldiers, he added, will return as "individual replacements and fill out new modular brigades throughout the Army." Still, any move back home by troops overseas will not likely happen before summer 2006.

College said several heavy brigades in Germany slated for Fort Bliss won't get orders to the U.S. until the BRAC Commission make its final recommendation and the plan gets approval from Congress and the president. That action will not come before late fall or winter, he said.

"I don't see any units moving in large numbers until the summer of 2006, and I suspect those wouldn't be large numbers," College said. "I would expect to see the process accelerated in the years 2007 to 2009."

College also added that no move would take place until the installation or the local community is ready to accept the influx of

soldiers and their families.

He pointed out that Army secretary Francis Harvey and Army Chief of Staff Gen. Peter J. Schoomaker have been "adamant" that installations and communities are prepared to accept the new units. "That means things like housing, schools, and that panoply of support services that any family, whether you wear a uniform or not, needs to be able to function," College said.

"We will...ensure quality of life is enhanced, and we're not going to move people until the communities and facilities and the installation are ready for them," he explained.

However, just as important for the Army is that BRAC 2005 will save the service billions over the next two decades, money that will further support Army transformation.

BRAC 2005 is anticipated to generate a 20-year gross savings of about \$20.4 billion, and a net savings of \$7.6 billion for the Army.

That figure is "three to four times higher" than the savings of the four previous BRAC rounds combined, College said.

In addition, he said, closing overseas facilities will save the Army \$2.5 billion more annually and \$28 billion over 20 years.

Said Prosch, "Our big goal is to win the war, transform the Army, and get resources to accomplish the first two."

Ethics, sexual assault prevention training set

All civilian and military members are required to be trained on ethics and on sexual assault prevention this calendar year.

Directors and unit commanders may reserve training for your members, by contacting Jessica DelgadoWestern at 634-7717 or via e-mail at jessica.delgadowestern@setaf.army.mil.

Directors and unit commanders will be

required to maintain a training roster of all staff, stating the name and the date trained, for submission to higher headquarters.

Training will be held in the Ederle Theater on the following dates: July 7, Aug. 4, Sept. 1, Oct. 6, Nov. 3 and Dec. 1 (final session).

On all dates Ethics training is held from 9:30-10:30 a.m., and Sexual Assault Prevention is taught from 10:45-11:45 a.m.

Life is a temporary assignment

For the next 35 weeks, the 22nd Area Support Group Chaplain's Family Life Office, in partnership with deployed SETAF and 173d Airborne Brigade chaplains, will write a series of devotional articles based on the best-selling book, "A Purpose Driven Life," by Pastor Rick Warren.

The intent of these articles is to offer deployed soldiers and their family members a devotional meditation which you can use for weekly discussion and to hopefully deepen your spiritual connection during the separation.

Chaplain (Capt.) Buddy Hammil
14th Transportation Battalion

"LORD, remind me how brief my time on earth will be.

Remind me that my days are numbered, and that my life is fleeing away."

Psalm 39:4 (New Living Translation)

Our life on earth is a temporary assignment. Compared with eternity, our life is extremely short. Earth is only our temporary residence.

"You are not here long," Rev. Rick Warren cautions, "so don't get too attached." (page 52) Ask God to help you see your life on earth as He sees it.

While traveling down the Croatian coast this last Memorial Day weekend, my wife and I dutifully carried our passports. These were checked and stamped at various borders we crossed (Italy, Slovenia, Bosnia).

We also had to present and surrender them to hotels in order to secure accommodations. Our United States passports allow us to be here, to live here and to work here, even though we are not Italian citizens. Our passports serve as a reminder that our citizenship is in the United States.

Christians should carry *spiritual* passports to remind us that our citizenship is in heaven.

The Bible reminds us that Christians are to think differently about life from the way unbelievers think.

"All they think about is this life here on earth. But we are citizens of heaven, where the Lord Jesus Christ lives." Philippians 3:19-20 (New Living Translation)

Rev. Warren says, "Your identity is in eternity and your homeland is heaven. When you grasp this truth, you will stop worrying about having it all on earth." (page 53)

Living for the *here and now*; adopting the values, priorities and lifestyles of the world around us; flirting with the temptations that scream for our attention is dangerous.

The Bible cautions us, *"You're cheating on God. If all you want is your own way, flirting with the world every chance you get, you end up enemies of God and His way."* James 4:4 (The Message)

The Bible also reminds us that *"We are Christ's ambassadors."* 2 Corinthians 5:20 (New Living Translation)

As such, we represent *His* kingdom, *His* priorities, *His* values to this world. Remember where your citizenship is.

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 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 Family Readiness Center.

There is no CAC scheduled for the month of June. The next CAC is July 27 at 9 a.m. in the Ederle Theater.

Issue: *I have a Living Quarters Allowance problem that I need the CAC to resolve. I have been waiting over six months to receive money that the government owes me because they underpaid me for the five years.*

NOTE: *The details to include the name of the writer have been sent to the CPAC as they are required for resolution, however these details have been left out of the text in order to protect privacy.*

Response from the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center: On March 22, 2005 the USAREUR Defense Civilian Payroll System office completed their audit of the reconciliation requested.

The audit findings were provided to DFAS for payment and monies due were paid out to the employee in the March 31, 2005 paycheck.

Reconciliation for the first year of occupancy in a residence is required; however, LQA reconciliation for the last year of residency is not.

An employee may elect to request reconciliations, as deemed necessary. In the case at hand, the employee changed residences and submitted additional bills for consideration, after the initial and subsequent reconciliations had been processed.

Submissions of bills for prior years (in excess of two and a half years) caused the need for a manual reconciliation of the entire period in question and an audit to be conducted.

The web-based LQA reconciliation system used is not designed to reconcile information beyond a 65 pay-period timeframe. The manual reconciliation, and subsequent audit, is required to ensure employees are properly reimbursed for actual expenses and prior to submission to DFAS for disbursement of funds if underpaid, or re-coupment of funds, if overpaid.

Issue: *Why is Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) calculated as part of total family income? My fees went up two categories and I would like to know the reason.*

Response from Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation: Per Child and Youth Services, Installation Management Agency-Europe, Cost of Living Allowance is calculated in total family income.

Total family income is used to calculate childcare fee(s). When COLA was low, this was more advantageous for customers. As

COLA has risen, the calculation often propels the total family income into a category (or sometimes two categories) higher.

If your childcare fees have increased as a result of COLA, you may stop by the CYS Central Registration Office to discuss the impact of this increase.

On a case-by-case basis, the 22nd Area Support Group commander can waive the COLA, based on a household financial analysis.

For more information, please call CYS at 634-7206, off post at 0444-71-7206, or stop by CYS Central Registration in the Davis Family Readiness Center.

Issue: *I have observed on numerous occasions people using the post laundry machines who are not authorized to use them.*

Many times these individuals use the machines late into the night, which causes an inconvenience to Soldiers and their families who come in to post to do their laundry. The lack of available washers and dryers causes us to wait a long time to do laundry.

Can a sign be posted outside the laundry room stating who is allowed and who is not allowed to use the post laundry facilities? Can someone be charged to enforce these rules?

Response from AAFES: The post launderette can be busy place at times, however, our launderette is intended for the use of the military community – but use is not limited to only the military.

The launderette is considered a vending operation and there is no requirement to present an ID card to use the facility.

According to AAFES standards, the Vicenza Launderette is actually under-utilized.

An average washer should yield \$425, yet ours only yield \$191. For ease and convenience of using our launderette the non peak hours maybe beneficial. Our peak

hours are weekends and holidays.

Issue: *Since military members are now receiving telephone bills directly from TelecomItalia, they are also receiving phone solicitations from Italian phone marketers.*

If these telemarketing lists are like the ones used in the U.S., this means that not only do they have our phone numbers, but our addresses as well. This raises serious security issues, especially in light of the fact it is common knowledge that a significant number of military personnel have been deployed from Caserma Ederle, leaving family members alone.

Is it possible that some type of arrangement be made with TelecomItalia that prevents the listing of addresses and phone numbers of U.S. military members and civilian employees?

Response from Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation: All community members requesting assistance with telephone activation from the Tax Relief Office are provided forms and information that specifically request an unlisted number.

This agreement/procedure was established with local technicians in September 2003. Unlisted numbers are not available to operator services, web sites, telephone books or telemarketers.

Community members who requested assistance with TelecomItalia from other sources (Army Community Service, co-workers, neighbors and friends) may not have specified their requirement for an unlisted number. This service should be requested during the initial request for service, however, can be requested at anytime by contacting operator assistance by dialing "187" and requesting a "Numero Riservato". TelecomItalia provides this service at no cost.

To verify this service is active, go to the following website: www.paginebianche.it. Fill in the block that says "Conosci il numero ma non il nome?" (Know the number but not the name?). If the name and address appear, the service is not active.

Legal education program accepting applicants for staff judge advocates

The Office of The Judge Advocate General is now accepting applications for the Army's Funded Legal Education Program.

Under the FLEP program, the Army projects sending up to 15 active duty commissioned officers to law school at government expense if funding permits.

Selected officers will attend law school beginning in the fall of 2006 and will remain on active duty while attending law school.

Interested officers should review Chapter 14 of Army Regulation 27-1 (The Judge Advocate General's Funded Legal Education Program) to determine their eligibility.

This program is open to commissioned officers in the grades of 2nd lieutenant through captain.

Applicants must have at least two but not more than six years of total active Federal service at the time legal training begins. Eligibility is governed by statute (10 U.S.C. 2004) and is non-waivable.

Eligible officers interested in applying should immediately register for the earliest offering of the Law School Admission Test. For information about the LSAT, including published and non-published test sites, visit the Law School Admission Council website, at www.lsac.org, or contact the Education Center at 634-8126, off post at 0444-71-8126.

Officers must send their application through command channels, to include the officer's branch manager at Human Resources Command, with a copy furnished to the Office of The Judge Advocate General, ATTN: DAJA-PT (FLEP), 1777 North Kent Street, Rosslyn, VA 22209-2194. Applications must be received by Nov. 1, 2005. Submission of the application well in advance of the deadline is advised.

Interested officers should contact the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate at 634-7047 or 7819, off post at 0444-71-7047 or 7819.



Traveling in Europe is one of the benefits of living overseas, but tourists – regardless of nationality – are often prime targets of thieves. (Outlook file photo)

Practice crime prevention when traveling

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Press Release

You can never be too careful, prepared or aware, crime prevention experts say.

Where ever your travels take you, it's important to remember that tourists make tempting targets for thieves.

How do thieves know you're a tourist? Look around and see what the locals are wearing. Does your outfit consist of a T-shirt with an American logo and words, baggy pants, baseball cap and sneakers? That's a sure-fire giveaway you're not a local. Most Europeans dress a bit more formally – button-down or polo shirts, slacks and leather shoes.

Travelers who wander streets looking lost or distracted, weighed down with bags, and carrying money and other valuables, can attract crime and may also be targets for anti-American militants.

Pickpockets are very active, especially in eastern and southern Europe. They stalk tourists and strike when their victims are vulnerable. Pickpockets often work in teams. One popular ruse is to stage a distraction. Thieves may drop something in front of you, spill a drink, or cause a loud commotion. Once you are distracted, another pickpocket steals your valuables and walks away.

Backpacks have gained in popularity and are a target just like purses. Often, one thief will bump into you while his or her partner slits the bottom of the backpack and removes any valuables.

"Men should keep wallets in a front pocket as opposed to the rear pocket; and women should never carry an "open" or "bucket" style bag. They should keep bags close to their body and make sure it has a zipper to close it off completely," said Bethanie Trent, 22nd Area Support Group Safe Neighborhood Awareness Program coordinator.

Traveling safely with your family also means sticking together and keeping an eye on children at all times. Make sure they know where you're staying (name and address) and teach them what to do if they get lost or separated.

It is also recommended that people get a travel briefing from their unit security

manager prior to leaving, according to Trent.

"Before leaving, go to the Web site: www.travel.state.gov and get a wealth of information on the area you will be visiting, to include threat levels, demonstrations schedules and other area specific crime information, embassy, and hospital locations," said Trent.

Vehicle crime is also a problem, especially in Italy and Eastern Europe.

Never leave your vehicle unlocked and never ever leave valuable documents such as passports or ID cards in your vehicle – those should stay in your possession.

"We encourage people not to leave gas coupons in their cars," said Trent. Other tips include:

- ◆ Always lock your car when it's parked, even if the stop is brief.

- ◆ Keep baggage or valuables out of sight, preferably locked in the trunk. Maps and guidebooks on the seat or dashboard advertise that you're a tourist - keep them in the glove compartment.

- ◆ Keep away from drivers behaving erratically.

- ◆ Never pick up hitchhikers.

Whether you live on Villaggio or off post, create the illusion you're at home by using trusted neighbors or timers that will turn lights on and off in different areas of your house throughout the evening. Lights burning 24 hours a day signal an empty house.

Don't let mail and flyers pile up in your mailbox. Have a neighbor pick them up.

"I also think that encouraging people to leave their blinds in normal positions is risky, said Trent. "Blinds should be closed and doors should be locked when you leave."

"If someone is going TDY or on leave, they can contact the SNAP office and we can put them in touch with volunteers in their neighborhood, said Trent. "The number for SNAP is 634-6264 or from off post dial 0444-71-6264."

Trent encourages community members to contact her or the Office of the Provost Marshal (634-7827, off post at 0444-71-7827) for more security tips. A Family Vacation Tips pamphlet is also available at www.hqusaureur.army.mil/opm/SNAP/files/SNAP_family_vacation_pamphlet.pdf.

AAFES participates in Code Adam program

Army and Air Force
Exchange Service
Press Release

In conjunction with the "Prosecutorial Remedies and Other Tools to End the Exploitation of Children Today Act of 2003" (PROTECT Act), which requires all federal agencies to establish procedures to facilitate the safe recovery of children reported missing in a public building, the Army and Air Force Exchange Service will implement the "Code Adam" program in all main exchanges.

Additionally, law enforcement will be immediately notified if the child cannot be located.

Code Adam is part of a comprehensive bill, the 'PROTECT Act' which is designed to protect our Nation's children against exploitation and abuse by child pornographers, molesters and sexual abusers, according to U.S. Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-Utah).

The Act is named after John Walsh's son, Adam, who was kidnapped and killed in 1981.

To read more about the "PROTECT Act", visit the Web site: hatch.senate.gov and type in 'Code

Adam' in the search box.

The Code Adam program outlines specific steps to be taken when a parent or guardian cannot locate their child in an AAFES facility.

Each AAFES store manager has a "Code Adam" packet with training and visual materials and all facility associates will be trained on the "Code Adam" program.

General managers will ensure that their "Code Adam" program procedures are implemented during all open store operating hours.

The Office of the Provost Marshal will be appraised prior to implementation of the "Code Adam" program. After training has been completed, and law enforcement notified, the blue Code Adam sticker will be posted on the main store/mall entrance. AAFES will deviate from established "Code Adam" procedures in that AAFES associates will notify the installation law enforcement. They will not notify the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children if a child is not found within 10 minutes.

For more information about AAFES' role in Code Adam, contact Paula Gunderson, general manager Italy Exchange Service, at 634-7796.

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Honoring the Infantryman



Soldiers take a rest stop before continuing the climb up a mountain to clear caves in the rugged Afghanistan countryside.



Story and photos

By Pfc. Jon Arguello
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As new badges become authorized to demonstrate all Soldiers' contribution in a combat role, it becomes more important to remember what merited the combat badges.

The new Combat Action Badge does not replace the Combat Infantryman Badge, instead, it is a badge recognizing the actions of Soldiers with "soft skill" military occupational specialties, of which there are many who directly support the warfighting aspects of the war on terrorism.

Many Soldiers are for the badge. Few are against. At least openly against. However, it is equally important to honor those for whom combat badges were created.

The following is a little about today's infantrymen and those who accompany them as they earn their combat badges.

In late April, approximately 60 paratroopers from Battle Company 2d Battalion, 503d Infantry (Airborne) boarded CH-47 Chinooks and headed off on what would become one of the hardest mental and physical tests they would face in Afghanistan.

The Soldiers would march for more than 60 kilometers (about 37 miles) and above the 10,000 feet elevation mark – often times chasing Taliban and anti-coalition forces along the way.

Below are some thoughts from Soldiers who participated in the mission.

"My mother dreaded it," said Pfc. Kieran McFadden about his decision to join the Army. "My dad supports it, he kind of has to." McFadden, a grenadier, said he joined the Army mostly because of the events of September 11.

"I remember watching it on TV," he said. "So I decided to come here and do something instead of watching it on TV."

As hard as their recent mission was, it didn't seem to make the paratroopers regret their decisions to fight for their country.

"It sucked, but it's part of the job," McFadden said. "I'm glad I did it. Not many people can say for their 21st birthday they were shot at and climbed mountains in Afghanistan."

It's not only infantrymen who find themselves on the front lines fighting the elements along with the enemy. There are others who serve as infantry Soldiers, but with additional responsibilities, such as forward observers and medics.

"I wanted to be infantry," said Pvt. Jonathan Pierce, a forward observer who is attached to the 2-503d Inf (Abn). "I am like an infantryman – but I now have more responsibility."

The FOs do more than just march through the mountains along with the infantry. Their jobs have additional duties that include a constant pin-pointing of their location in case they have to call in for air support, and reviewing the route for possible ambush sites. If the situation calls for it, the FOs are prepared to call for indirect fire within 45 seconds as a standard.

"We control all indirect assets in any contact," said Staff Sgt. Raymond Middleton, another FO attached to the battalion. "We call for, direct, and adjust indirect fire on the enemy and give their location."

One of the most essential Soldiers on the battlefield is the RTO, or radio operator. The RTO works with the platoon leader, carrying around a heavy radio, constantly exposing himself as a "high value target" to the enemy since he relays important information between the unit leadership.

"It wasn't by choice," said Spc. Mark Cushman about his



Top: A grenadier rests against a rock during the marathon trek.

Above: A team leader and gunner set up a M-240B machine gun after an air assault.

position as the RTO. "They wanted someone squared away to make sure the information gets relayed."

During a firefight, the RTO sets up his satellite communications which allows the platoon to communicate with anyone in Afghanistan.

"Learning all of the equipment was the hardest part. Besides carrying it," said Cushman. "When I first got the job I didn't know anything. It took some time to learn."

Although sometimes the job gets hectic, he realizes the importance of his job.

Everything happens in a flash," Cushman said. "During the last air assault, I was the only link between the platoon leader and the company. We were trying to find out where the mortars and the squads were. I just try to keep my head clear and stay focused on the job."

The missions have physical demands and injuries from blisters to bullet wounds become common. Medics, who also carry heavy first aid kits in addition to their regular load, are always prepared to treat wounded Soldiers, making decisions during the crucial first hour when they can have a dramatic effect on life and limb.

"The best part of my job is seeing guys get better," said Spc. Kent Davis, Battle Company medic. "I could treat more severe wounds when they happen and save my Soldiers from serious injuries."

When other Soldiers got back from the marathon march, "Doc" Davis continued treating Soldiers, while others took an opportunity to recover and take a break.

In addition to having specialized tasks, their daily infantry responsibilities remain dangerous, difficult and demanding.



Two Soldiers rest during the 12-day, 60-plus kilometer ruck march through the mountains of Afghanistan.



A Battle Company Medic and Company Radio Telephone Operator take a break during the April march through the mountains of Afghanistan. The Soldiers were part of a group searching Taliban.

Chapel retreat teaches "Life management in tough times"

Caserma Ederle Chapel
Special to the Outlook

The weekend of April 29 – May 1 found 60 family members of deployed Caserma Ederle traveling to a hotel in Lake Garda to experience a weekend of seminars and relaxation. The seminar was sponsored by the 22nd Area Support Group Family Life Chaplain, Maj. Leon G. Kircher.

The theme of the weekend was "Life Management in Tough Times" and was presented in four, one-hour, time blocks.

These blocks discussed a person getting their "M.E.P.S." self together by being: 1. Mentally, 2. Eotionally, 3. Physically, and 4. Spiritually fit for life.

Although the retreat was geared toward those with deployed spouses, it was also a seminar to help a person through any life experience.

The four issues of mental, emotional,

physical and spiritual all come together like the wheels on a car; if one tire is low on air or flat, the car won't run correctly, according to Kircher. The same is true of a person's life. If one aspect of your life is not in line, you're bound to stray or have difficulties along the way. The seminar sought to help people maintain balance in every aspect of their life.

Although the purpose of the time together was instructional, there was also plenty of time for the children to swim, or go for walks around the small town of Albisano.

The hotel was child-friendly and had a large playground and soccer field. Childwatch workers from the chapel accompanied the participants on the trip and cared for children while the parents were in class.

Most of those present had experienced the deployment of their spouses numerous



Chapel Retreat participants enjoy a three-course dinner at the hotel on Lake Garda where the weekend retreat was held. (Photos courtesy of the post chapel)

times. The majority of spouses questioned had seen their spouses deployed for more than 30 days at least four times in their married lives. The average years most had been married was 9.4 years – with one spouse married just one and a half years and another a veteran of 22 years.

Comments from the weekend included, "informative, enjoyable, humorous, wonderful break, and highly engaging presentations."

If given the opportunity to recommend this seminar to others, 100 percent of the participants said they highly recommend it.

Retreats are scheduled throughout the year and are also offered at the chapel as one-day seminar events. Childwatch is provided as well as refreshments and lunch at the one-day seminars. There is no cost for the seminars. Contact the post chapel at 634-7519, 0444-71-7519 for more information or to schedule a seminar.

Vicenza students honored

Vicenza High School
Press Release

Congratulations to the following Vicenza High School students who received the following awards and scholarships:

DoDDS Europe Awards

Music Honors

2005 Honors Festival

Selectees: MaryCatherine Sughrue, Sheri Mahadeo, Eireanne Robertson, Marjorie Mayville, and Reagan Womble

Art Honors

Showcase Creative Anthology: Jon Alderman, Darryl Alexander, Rachel Bryan, Crystal Buhler, and Chris Stepps.

Creative Crafts

Jillian Brown

Model Senate

Noel Fernando

Scholarships and National Awards

Presidential Freedom scholarship (for voluntary service)

Sheri Mahadeo and Nykole Norcross

PTSA scholarship

Adam Smolonsky, Sarah Huffman, and Nykole Norcross

Presidential Freedom scholarship

Brad Curran

President's Award for Educational Excellence

Rachel Bryan, Claire Hann, Sarah Huffman, Martin Keating, and Lauren Tomory

Fisher House Foundation scholarship

Sarah Huffman

The John Crouse scholarship fund

Lauren Tomory

Vicenza Military Spouses and Civilians Club scholarship

Carmen Catena, Tristan Davis, Sarah Huffman, Eric Lain, Gian-Marco Lamboglia, and Nykole Norcross

Joe Pellerito Scholarship

Sarah Malone and Gary King

PDK scholarship

Sarah Huffman

Academic Letters

Seniors: Rachel Bryan, Carmen Catena*, Claire Hann*, Sarah Huffman*, Martin Keating, Megan McLean, Nykole Norcross, Angelica Polen, Stephania Tavares, and Lauren Tomory*

Juniors: Luke Beauchamp, Jillian Brown*, Shannon Eldredge*, Noel Fernando*, Benjamin Franke, Denaris Green, Sheri Mahadeo*, Grace Pemberton, Ashley Rabot, Christopher Stepps*, MaryCatherine Sughrue, Christopher Weik, and Daniel Weston.

Sophomores: Christopher Bell*, Jessica Bostick, Jessica Boyston*, Crystal Buhler*, Jessica Buhler, Megan Gafford*, Katanya Green, Alexandrya Savusa, Tiana Schwickerath, Savannah Sessions, Adam St.Vincent*, Melvin Williams*, and Zackery Williams*.

Freshmen: Efren Aceves, Victor Almanza-Barria, Nicole Bissett, Keisha Harrington, Rosie Malone, Kyle Stammer, John Trotta, Vergilia Velez, and Joseph Wiehe.

*Denotes a repeat award

Free preschool!

Sure Start now taking applications

By Nancy DeCaro
Vicenza Elementary School
Press Release

Vicenza Elementary School offers the 'Sure Start Preschool Program,' which is modeled after the Head Start program in the United States.

Sure Start is a full day, high quality preschool for 4-year-olds. It targets children who may potentially be "at risk" for not being ready for kindergarten the following year.

There is a mandatory parent education component that includes scheduled home visits, quarterly parent meetings and participation in the classroom.

Applications are being accepted now for School Year 2005 – 2006, and children must be four years old by Oct. 31.

The program is designed for children of sponsors the rank of E4 and below, but anyone is welcome to fill out an application.

The Sure Start class size is limited to 16 children, but applications are taken all year long.

If the class is full, applicants are put on a

waiting list, and when there is an opening, the child most qualified is selected by the steering committee.

Considerations for enrollment may include one or more of the following conditions:

- ◆ Child will be four by Oct. 31.
- ◆ Sponsor's rank is E4 or below.
- ◆ Child had a low birth weight, below 5.5 pounds.
- ◆ Child has parent/s whose primary language is not English.
- ◆ Parent/s were teenagers when the first child was born.
- ◆ Parent/s did not graduate from high school.
- ◆ Child lives in a single parent home.
- ◆ The child's sponsor is currently deployed.
- ◆ The child has an older sibling with a disability.
- ◆ At home there are three or more children close in age.

Visit the Vicenza Elementary School office and get an application if you are interested, or call 634-7579 for more information about Sure Start.

Third place finish for Vicenza Pirates



The Vicenza Pirates Junior Boys Baseball team (ages 13- 15) successfully completed the 2005 Spring baseball season. The team, representing Vicenza, finishing third in the 22nd ASG Championships held recently at Aviano, Italy. Their record for the season was five wins and three losses. The Vicenza Pirates are: (front row, left to right) Jared Rulland, Kyle Kaus, Seth Franke, Antonio Rios, Kenny Barteau, Chamar Smith, and Matthew Williams. Back row from left to right are: Coach Paul Smith, James Littleton, Philip Wiehe, Eric Canipe, Cody Betts, Jordan Betts, Sean Smith, Alexander Savusa, Andrew Ritchie, Coach Karl Franke. Not shown is Michael Issertell. (Photo courtesy of Martha Franke)

Out & About



By Dorothy Spagnuolo

Antique markets

On the second Sunday of the month, the following antique markets take place:

Vicenza: In the squares of *Piazza Castello*, *Piazza dei Signori* and *Piazza Biade*, you'll find more than 200 stalls, open from 8 a.m.-6 p.m..

Montegrotto Terme, Padova: In *Viale Stazione*, more than 100 stalls are open from 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Asolo, Treviso: Saturday and Sunday, in *Piazza Centrale*, you'll find more than 100 stalls. This market does not take place in July and August.

Villafranca, Verona: In *Corso Vittorio Emanuele* you'll find 100 stalls open from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. This market is not held during August.

Free Jazzercise class held

'Jazzercise-Fitness' is the name of the aerobic program taking place on Campo Marzo every Wednesday this month and the month of July.

Organized by the Vicenza City Hall Sports Office, the fun, for all to participate in, will take place from 7 to 8 p.m.

The exercise will take place near the Caffè Moresco bar located on the park which is opposite the train station and it's free.

Teatro Olimpico concerts

For the sixth year running, Andras Schiff, a Hungarian classical concert pianist who performs internationally, will be at Vicenza's Teatro Olimpico for a series of concerts.

Schiff will be surrounded by other great soloists, reunited for the occasion.

For the performances that take place June 17-19 a few tickets are still available online from www.olimpico.vicenza.it with a starting price of 26.20 Euro.

Miniature Italy

Over an area of more than 85,000 sq. mt., stand more than 270 perfect miniatures – flowers, grass and bonsai trees, and equipped with moving miniature trains, motorways, cable cars, ships, ports and airports.

All of this is fit into a scaled-down replica of the Italian peninsula.

Painstaking work went into St.

Peter's Basilica, which took six people six months to build. It took four people four months to build the tiny Roman Coliseum; and Piazza dei Miracoli, in Pisa, took four people six months.

The beautiful Duomo in Milan took more than 6,000 working hours.

In addition, "across the border" lies a miniature Europe, with games and exclusive attractions.

Also inside the park find other attractions such as rides, exhibitions, bars, picnic areas, and an information office.

Miniature Italia is located in the town of Viserba, near Rimini. Take the A4 toward Padova, then take the A13 south (toward Bologna), to the A14 south (toward Taranto). Leave the autostrada at Rimini Nord. Open hours this month are from 9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m., the ticket office closes at 6 p.m..

A tour round the park will take at least two hours. The months of July and August the grounds are open until midnight.

Entrance fee for adults is 16 Euro, and for children under 12 years of age the cost is 12 Euro.

Volksmarch

This non-competitive march (walk) for those who love nature and want to enjoy the great outdoors is scheduled for July 3.

The distance is approx. 21 km and starts at *Cogollo del Cengio*, at an altitude of 297 mt., and finishes in Asiago at 1000 mt. The route taken is that of a steam train that went through the mountain area from *Cogollo del Cengio* to Asiago years ago.

There is also the option to participate in a relay race – the first part of the relay is about 8 km. of uphill running and the second part, 12 km, is with little rolling hills. Meet at *Cogollo del Cengio* at 7:30 a.m., and the race begins at 9 a.m.

Last year more than 15 participants were from SETAF. Contact Hussein Kara at DSN 634-3919 or 340-819-5825, entry forms for the race are also available at ITR office. A Website (in Italian only) is www.lacerniera.it.

Biker Fest

The 19th Annual Biker Fest takes place June 23-26 in the Carnia region of Udine.

June 25 events: Gates open at 9 a.m.; a bike show contest at 11 a.m.; body painting at 2 p.m.; emergency intervention exhibition also at 2 p.m. is an auto-moto-drag; and 8 p.m. hear rock-blues with Jaime Dolce Innersole from New York.

June 26 events: It's the bike show contest. Throughout the day there will be stunt shows, concerts, body painting until 12:30 a.m.

Full program on www.bikerfest.com some pages are in English.

Entrance fee is 18 Euro. Entrance fee is free for children and they have an area reserved for them.

Gold fair is coming

Vicenza – The "Vicenzaoro" (Goldfair) will be June 11-16 at the exhibition grounds, located on the west side of Vicenza.

The gold fair is not open to the general public. This is a major retail event and hotels will be booked during this time, making it difficult to book rooms for guests.

International art exhibition

Venice: The 51st International Exhibition of Art is taking place.

Two different shows are presented: 'The Experience of Art,' which explores how far art has come today, and 'Always a Little Further,' which focuses on the future of contemporary art.

Along with the traditional national pavilions, in which more than 60 countries are represented, there are countless other exhibitions around the city – mainly throughout the spaces of the Arsenale and the historic *Giardini della Biennale*.

Full details are available on the Website www.labiennale.org.

The exhibitions are open from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. The Giardini exhibits are closed on Mondays, and the Arsenale is closed on Tuesdays. Entrance fee is 15 Euro. The Biennale runs until Nov. 6.

Gardens of Trauttmansdorff castle

The town of Merano, in the region of Alto Adige, has long been famous as a tourist resort and was a favorite with the Hapsburg royal family back in the days of the Austrian Empire. It has earned its fame mainly from its mild climate, rich thermal springs, and the beauty of its parks and gardens.

An attraction not to be missed is the splendid botanical garden, created with the park of *Castel di Nova* or Trauttmansdorff (its German name in this bilingual region).

Divided into four main areas, the garden offers an incredible range of plants and flowers, especially when one considers the latitude and altitude at which these master gardeners are working.

The sections include 'Forests of the World,' 'Gardens of the Sun' with Mediterranean and tropical varieties, 'Landscapes of Alto Adige' featuring Alpine plants, Italianate and English gardens, and a herb garden.

For full information on the botanical garden, consult www.trauttmansdorff.it/botanic_chergarten.

Open everyday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. until Sept. 15; the other months (except December) until 6 p.m. Entrance fees are: single ticket 9.50 Euro; family ticket comprising of 2 adults with children under 18 cost 21 Euro; children under 6 years of age free.

Merano is 200 km northwest of Vicenza.

Now Showing

Caserma Ederle Theater

June 8	Robots (PG)	2 p.m.
	Sahara (PG13)	7 p.m.
June 9	Robots (PG)	7 p.m.
June 10	Guess Who (PG13)	7 p.m.
	Amityville Horror (R)	10 p.m.
June 11	Guess Who (PG13)	2 p.m.
	Amityville Horror (R)	7 p.m.
	Miss Congeniality 2 (PG13)	10 p.m.
June 12	Miss Congeniality 2 (PG13)	2 p.m.
	Amityville Horror (R)	

Camp Darby Theater

June 10	Sahara (PG13)	7 p.m.
June 11	Cursed (PG13)	7 p.m.

Movie Synopsis

ROBOTS - *Animated with voices of Ewan McGregor, Halle Berry, Robin Williams.* Rodney Copperbottom is an idealistic robot who wants to convince his electronic brethren to come together and work toward making the world a better place. As the story unfolds, he falls for a female executive robot, faces opposition from an evil corporation headed by Big Weld and finds some unlikely allies in the form of a ragtag group of misfit robots called the Rusties.

SAHARA—*Matthew McConaughey, Penelope Cruz.* Master explorer Dirk Pitt takes on the adventure of his life when he embarks on a treasure hunt through some of the most dangerous regions of North Africa. Searching for what locals call "The Ship of Death", a long lost Civil War battleship filled with coins, Pitt and his wisecracking sidekick use their wits and clever heroics to help Doctor Eva Rojas who believes the ship may be linked to mysterious deaths in the very same area.

CURSED - *Christina Ricci, James Brolin.* Ellie and her brother Jimmy are on their way home when they get into a car accident. While trying to help the other driver out of an overturned vehicle, the other driver is attacked by what Jimmy swears was a "huge man-like wolf". Both Jimmy and Ellie end up scratched and possibly bitten by the creature. When they begin noticing strange physical effects and behavior—including both of them suddenly becoming more assertive socially—they begin to wonder if a werewolf has bitten them. If so, will they turn into werewolves, too?

MISS CONGENIALITY 2: ARMED AND FABULOUS *Sandra Bullock, Regina King.* The story catches up with FBI agent Gracie Hart shortly after she successfully disarmed a threat against the Miss U.S. Pageant while working undercover as a contestant in Miss Congeniality. Having become a media celebrity following her heroic pageant exploits, Gracie has been spending more time lately at the salon than the shooting range, working the talk show circuit and promoting her book. When her friends, pageant winner Cheryl and emcee Stan, are kidnapped in Las Vegas, Gracie's all-out efforts to jump back into action to save them puts her at loggerheads with the FBI top brass who don't want to risk losing their mascot and fear she might not be up to the job anymore.

GUESS WHO - *Bernie Mac, Ashton Kutcher.* Percy is taking no chances with his daughter Theresa's future. Even before he meets Simon, her latest boyfriend, Percy has him checked out. On paper, he passes with flying colors — great job, good investments and a promising future. But there's one thing the credit report didn't tell him: Simon is white. Not that there's anything wrong with that. Unless, of course, Simon wants to marry his daughter. Which he does.

THE AMITYVILLE HORROR - *Jimmy Bennett, Ryan Reynolds.* In 1974, police discovered the entire DeFeo family, all murdered by gunshots as they slept calmly in their beds. Ronald DeFeo confessed to methodically murdering his parents and four siblings, and claimed it was the "voices" that told him to do it. One year later, George and Kathy Lutz along with their three children moved into the house, thinking it was going to be their dream home. The Lutz family only lasted 28 days in their home after they were terrorized by a demonic force that drove them away. Based on the true story of George and Kathy Lutz, The Amityville Horror remains one of the most horrifying haunted house stories ever told - because it actually happened.

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.



Remnants of the Altar of the Fallen, located near Asiago, is the Altar of the Fallen dedicated to 2,000 Italian Soldiers who died during a World War I battle from May 24-June 3, 1916. (Outlook file photo)

Is it all Greek to you?

If you need help with a translation, you have two options:

You can call the Family Readiness Center at 634-7969, or off post at 0444-71-7969 and ask for a volunteer translator. Or you can call Military OneSource toll-free at 800-3429-6477.

Children help build bridge between communities



One schoolboy tries on a firefighter's coat and hat with some help from Caserma Ederle firefighter Luca Giaretta.

Story and photo
By Diana Bahr
Outlook Editor

Children from the Italian infant/pre-school (commonly called Asilo) "Don Battilana," Santa Maria Regina Della Pace Parish, located in Stanga, paid a visit to Caserma Ederle May 23. The school has approximately 100 children ages 1-6, and approximately 10 percent of the children come from the SETAF community.

"This is not the first time the Asilo children have been on post," said Col. Mark Oswald, Staff Judge Advocate, who's son, Liam is a student at the school. Oswald was instrumental in setting up the visit. "They frequently visit the Fire Department, but this was the first year where a visit to AFN was included."

About 60 children, ages 4 and 5, walked from the school, and, upon arrival at the vialle Della Pace gate, they were excited to be met by a Military Police officer who had parked his squad car by the gate complete with blue lights flashing. The children split into two groups; one half to AFN for a tour; and the other half to the Caserma Ederle Fire Department. When each group finished at one place, they walked to the other.

While at AFN the children watched a pre-recorded newscast and then crowded behind the AFN Evening News anchor desk and watched themselves on television. They then went into the radio broadcast booth and 'went on the



Children from the Italian infant/pre-school (commonly called Asilo) "Don Battilana," Santa Maria Regina Della Pace Parish, located in nearby Stanga, paid a visit to Caserma Ederle May 23 with their teacher, Daniella Casaro. The children received a behind-the-scenes look at the AFN television and radio studios.

air' with Staff Sgt. Leah Tedrow.

At the Fire Department, the children were allowed to sit in the driver's seat of a fire truck and try on various firefighting equipment and clothing.

"It's always a pleasure to have young visitors," said Giancarlo "Charlie" Fattori, 22nd ASG Fire Chief. "This is not just Public Relations, but most importantly, it provides fire safety information to our children, who are the future members of our intercultural society."



The post pools are now open for open swimming and taking reservations for swim classes. (Outlook file photo)

Beat the heat at the post pools

Directorate of MWR
Press Release

In case you haven't noticed...it's HOT out! To help you stay cool, the post Fitness Center pool is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 6:30 a.m.-8:30 a.m. for PT and fitness swimming at no charge.

On Monday, Wednesday and Thursday the Fitness Center pool has open swimming from noon until 7 p.m. The Fitness Center pool is closed on Tuesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

But you can still stay cool in the Ederle Inn pool, which is open Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Prices for open swimming are: children age 5 years and under swim free; children age 6-15 years pay \$1; adults (age 16 years and older) pay \$2. Point passes are available and you can purchase 10 points for \$15, and

20 points for \$25. Point passes are accepted at both pools.

We no longer offer season or 30-day passes.

You say you can't swim? The Fitness Center offers swimming lessons for all ages and levels. Classes for non-swimmers, children, and adults are offered each session. All swimmers will be evaluated and placed in the appropriate level class.

Non-swimmer classes cost \$35, Level 2 classes cost \$30, Level 3 classes cost \$30, and Levels 4-7 cost \$25.

Children's classes are 50-minutes long and are held in the morning. Times vary with the class level. Adult classes are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday evenings 5:30-6:20 p.m.

For additional information please call the Fitness Center at 634-7616 or the post pool at 634-8642.

Sports keep going despite deployment

Sports and Fitness Center
Press Release

Despite missing many regular team players, the Caserma Ederle community is still active in the sports arena. We are still holding league and unit sporting events.

Below are a few statistics from recent games:

Volleyball League: May 23-25 games held at the Fitness Center (scores are in parenthesis): Just Hit The "D" Ball (25-25) vs Bob & The Desperate House Wives (22-17); Samoan (12-25-17) vs First Time Playing Together (25-23-19); Just Hit The "D" Ball (25-25) vs Bob & The Desperate House Wives (17-17); and First Time Playing Together (25-20-15) vs Air Force G (19-25-13).

SETAF Community Level Soccer Team: The SETAF Lions play in the local Italian Soccer League - Results of the May 28 game: SETAF (1) vs Lonigo (Arnoldis) (5). SETAF is currently in sixth place out of 15 Italian teams in their division.

Unit/Recreational Softball League: May 24-25 league play: Can We Hit It (11) vs AFNS (2), The Rocks (29) vs SETAF (F) (1); and AFNS (12) vs Bandits (11).

Memorial Day Softball Round Robin: May 27 - 24th QM (5) vs 2/503 "The Rock" (10); 2/503 "The Rock" (10) vs Can We Hit It (22); Can We Hit It (14) vs 24th QM (3).

Memorial Day Softball Double Elimination: Held May 28 - 2/503 "The Rock" (9) vs 24th QM (7); Can We Hit It (14) vs 2/503 "The Rock" (9); 24TH QM (7) vs Can We Hit It (9); 2/503 "The Rock" (21) vs Can We Hit It (11). First Place went to 2/503 "The Rock", second place went to Can We Hit It.

The SETAF Lions coed softball team held two exhibition games against the local National Italian Coed Softball team, Vicenza Peter Pan May 28. The results were: SETAF Lions coeds (8) vs Vicenza Peter Pan coeds (6), and SETAF Lion coeds (22) vs Vicenza Peter Pan coeds (4).

Summer Raquetball tourney: The Sports and Fitness Center is hosting a summer racquetball tournament June 17-18. Sign up deadline is June 15. Male and Female Divisions with categories in beginner, intermediate and advanced.

For information on team sports or other Fitness Center activities, contact Ricky Jackson, sports specialist, at 634-7009, or e-mail him at ricky.jackson@setaf.army.mil.



VES holds talent show

Left: A student plays the guitar during the Vicenza Elementary School talent show Friday in the Vicenza High School Gym. The following students were chosen to perform (In order of appearance) : Haley and Samantha Richardson (dance), Alexis Mason and Brittany Johnson (dance), Angelic Bryant and Nena Lee (dance), Dominique Johnson (basketball tricks); Gaby O'Hara (vocal), Shaquille Douglas (Instrumental), Michael Wells (dance), Sara Weston, Sydney George and Havannah Samudio (Dance), Destinee Forrester (Dance), Connor Gann (instrumental), O'Lianna Reyter and Alexandria Perez (vocal), Krista McBride (poetry), Maria McGuire, Bailey Butler and Abigail Williams (gymnastics), Caroline Sugrove and Rachel O'Neill (dance), Lauren and Ashley Potts (vocal), Hannah Whitaker and Keenan Charles (dance). Judges for the event were Marcia Higgins, Dr. Tom Ellinger, and Gay Marek. (Photo by Diana Bahr, Outlook editor)

We're waiting...

and we're available for adoption at the Southern European Veterinarian Treatment Facility located in Longare. We're about eight weeks old and ready for new homes. Call the VTF at 635-4841 for days and hours to come see us.

