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The U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza is sponsoring a breast cancer awareness 5k Saturday at the North 40 Track. Register at 8 a.m. The race begins at 9 a.m.

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Boys high school volleyball team bumps to the top



Photo by Laura Kreider

Fire department teaches fire prevention: Caserma Ederle Fire and Emergency Services Firefighter Christian Zulian as Sparky, left, and Capt. Kelly Knight, explain truck equipment to nine-year-old Fabio and Federica Paulon, 10, during the open house at the Fire Department Oct. 13. The open house was part of the Annual Fire Prevention Week held from Oct. 9 to 15 at the Caserma Ederle Fire Department. This year's Fire Safety Campaign focused on keeping Families safe from fire dangers. The "Protect Your Family From Fire" campaign highlighted different things to do to prevent a fire at home.

Vicenza firefighters extinguish small fire at Middle School

USAG Vicenza Public Affairs Office

The Caserma Ederle fire department extinguished a small fire at Vicenza Middle School Tuesday morning.

The fire department responded to a fire alarm at 9:50 a.m. The school was fully evacuated.

Upon entering the building, firefighters found a small fire in a light fixture in the Middle

School gym. The fire was extinguished quickly. There were no injuries.

Firefighters turned off power to the gym and extinguished the fire, according to Capt. Kelly Knight, Caserma Ederle Fire

and Emergency Services.

There was limited damage to the facility. The scene was turned over to the maintenance contractor to check the other fixtures for safety. It disrupted classes for about 40 minutes.

American youth volunteer at Italian National Paralympic Day event

Story and photos by David Ruderman
U.S. Army Africa Public Affairs

More than 1,700 students from Vicenza Province converged on the city's athletic field Oct. 13 for the sixth annual Italian National Day of Paralympic Sport.

Joining them for the first time ever were students from the USAG Vicenza community, the result of an invitation extended by Italian organizers, who attended the garrison's Exceptional Family Member Program Sport Day in May.

"What happened was, last year Mark Oswald (U.S. Army Africa political adviser) became involved. ... I went in there asking questions about protocol, and he said something about inviting some diplomats," said Cara Panzarella-Tarr, USAG Vicenza EFMP manager. "They came here and I think they wanted to reciprocate."

One of the visitors that day was Umberto Nicolai, a member of the Vicenza city government, as well president of the provincial branch of the Comitato Olimpico Nazionale Italiano – the Italian National Olympic Committee. Nicolai was impressed by the American celebration of the children with disabilities in the community and an



Family members Bryan Hogg (left) and Justin Shepard play a round of wheelchair tennis at the sixth annual *Giorno Nazionale dello Sport Paralimpico* in Vicenza Oct. 13. Several youth from Vicenza volunteered at the event.

invitation to attend the *Giorno Nazionale dello Sport Paralimpico* was extended.

American participants included three young people from Panzarella-Tarr's EFMP program, Italian language students from Michela Ambruso's AP and advanced Italian classes at Vicenza High School, and the VHS Cougar cheerleader squad, under the direction of Michelle Bogola and Amy Gueli.

The Cougars wowed the crowd with their opening ceremony performance, rousing the Italian students to enthusiastic applause with their supercharged routine.

But the day belonged to the children and teenagers with disabilities and the young adults, who cycled through a series of activities spread out around the sport field grounds.

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Hogg reminds post ‘No tolerance for Domestic Violence’

In outlining his ten “Top Priorities” (April 11, 2011) the Secretary of the Army, John M. McHugh said, “The most important thing we do is take care of Soldiers, civilians, and Families.”



Domestic violence prevention is a key piece of this objective. Army leaders are committed to effective prevention by creating a climate of safety and

respect, and emphasizing the negative effects domestic violence has on Family readiness.

Do not mistakenly believe that the negative effects of domestic violence only have an impact on the individuals involved. It also impacts the Family, the unit, the command and the entire Army community, on and off the installation. Domestic violence undermines the Army’s core values. Those values clearly delineate that domestic violence is unacceptable.

There are ways to prevent domestic

violence:

1. Strengthen your relationships;
2. Reach out to struggling servicemembers and Family members;
3. Encourage others to get involved in prevention classes and programs to improve and sustain resiliency.

It is up to all of us to intervene. There are no bystanders when it comes to domestic violence.

Here in Vicenza, we are in full support of the Secretary of the Army’s call to duty. Every year, October is designated

as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in the Army, and Domestic Violence Awareness Month throughout the United States.

If you are touched in anyway by domestic violence, you are not alone. There are many resources on this installation to assist you. The Family Advocacy Program located in Davis Hall can help you get started.

- Maj. Gen. David Hogg
Commanding General,
U.S. Army Africa Command

YOUTH: ‘Really feels great to give back’

While contemporary practice emphasizes inclusion and mainstreaming EFMP children, there’s something positive to be said for occasions when disabled children can be among their peers and at the center of attention, Panzarella-Tarr said.

Outdoor events included wheelchair basketball, hand biking, archery, wheelchair tennis and, for the sighted, donning a blindfold for the sensation of pedaling sightless on a tandem bicycle.

There are presently about 300 Families in the Vicenza military community with members enrolled in EFMP, Panzarella-Tarr said.

“I’m fortunate to have a few wonderful volunteers, and I’m always looking for more,” she said.

Family member Ben Torrence plays wheelchair tennis with a little help from volunteer Nina (Hannah) Tarr.



Photos by David Ruderman

The Cougar Cub cheerleader squad arrives for the *Giorno Nazionale dello Sport Paralimpico* in Vicenza Oct. 13.

Sonya Torrence attended with her 10-year-old son Ben, a fourth-grader at Vicenza Elementary School. The Family has been in the community for six years, and Ben, who has Down syndrome, participates actively in Panzarella-Tarr’s EFMP activities. The Torrences made the rounds with Martina Hogg and her son, Bryan, who has Down syndrome as well.

“It’s been really fun to have them, you know,” said Sonya Torrence. “I haven’t had an opportunity to interact with another Family, physically. I mean, online, yes, over the phone, yes, but to physically have a Family and someone who has a child with Down syndrome and to compare and go, ‘Oh, that’s not Ben, that’s Down syndrome,’ because Bryan’s doing it too . . . and to really see it in action and to have him 10 years ahead of Ben, it’s encouraging. It’s wonderful to have

the support and encouragement . . . because so often you feel so alone and so isolated.”

U.S. Army Africa executive assistant and interpreter/translator Angela Balbo was impressed with the event.

“We’re overcoming the obstacles and recognizing the richness in each person,” she said. “For the people who have no disabilities, it’s an experience to recognize how fortunate they are. And that some people who do have disabilities are happier than you because they actually appreciate everything that they have.”

VHS cheerleader Hope Cobbeldick agreed.

“It gives you a completely different mindset as to how people have to deal with their disabilities,” she said “It gives you an opportunity to try out new things, such as tennis in a wheelchair, and it’s fun. It really feels great to give back.”

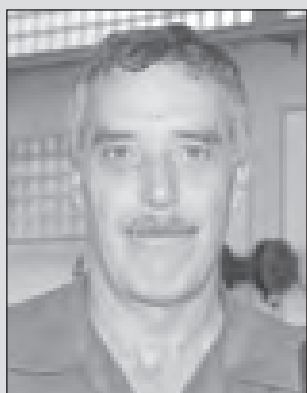
Speak Out

What are you doing to save energy at work during Energy Awareness Month?



Laurence Mitchell
Commissary

“DeCA, as an agency, has invested to upgrade in our store, saving 35 percent on energy costs.”



Charlie Decelle
Auto Skills Center

“We cleaned and serviced all the filters in our heating system so it will be more efficient through the upcoming winter.”



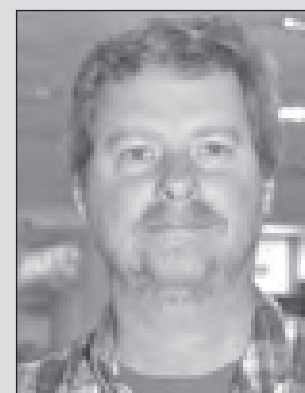
Dr. Julio Gonzalez
Vicenza Middle School

“We are conducting a very aggressive campaign to educate our students in Energy Conservation tips for all. We are doing it in the Science classes.”



Michelle Krewson
Library

“We made the community aware of the issue by putting up posters along with by turning off lights so we don’t waste energy.”



Ron Pinkoski
DPW Environmental

“We use natural light and leave the lights off as much as possible.”

By Laura Kreider

Longarone thanks Caserma Ederle for 1963 disaster assistance

Story and photo by Mindy Anderson
U.S. Army Africa Public Affairs

At 10:40 p.m. on Oct. 9, 1963, more than 270 million cubic meters of rock and earth slid from the peak of Mount Toc into the reservoir at the Vajont Dam, the world's third highest reservoir located in the Belluno area, just a couple of hours north of Vicenza.

In a tragic moment, more than 2,000 people were swept away as a mass of water swooped down to the ground at a speed of nearly 100 kilometers per hour. Entire families were wiped-out, with 1,450 victims from Longarone. It is estimated that the shock wave was at least equal in intensity to that generated by the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima.

Flash forward 48 years to Oct. 9, 2011. More than 200 Italians and Americans gathered to honor the victims of the tragedy and to acknowledge the contributions of the Soldiers and Aviators of the 110th Aviation Company.

The city of Longarone honored the Carabinieri in 2009 and the Fire Brigade in 2010, and now honors U.S. Army Southern Europe Task Force with an honorary citizenship to the city of Longarone in 2011.

"We come together to remember the positive aspects that come out of such a devastating disaster, and emphasize the solidarity of ordinary people, who



Dr. Roberto Padrin, mayor of Longarone, and Col. Edoardo Maggian, Italian commander of Caserma Ederle, look on as Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg, commander, U.S. Army Africa, adjusts the ribbon on a wreath hung in honor of the almost 2,000 victims of the landslide Oct. 9, 1963 in the Belluno area. More than 200 Italians and Americans gathered to honor the victims of the tragedy and to acknowledge the contributions of the Soldiers and Aviators of the 110th Aviation Company.

were part of the tragedy during the rescue operations," said Dr. Roberto Padrin, Mayor of Longarone. "This is the only way for us to express our gratitude to an organization whose men and helicopters contributed so decisively to the recovery of the bodily remains and the transportation of the wounded, as well as transportation of basic necessities.

"The most dramatic phases of the rescue operations were those of the days immediately following the disaster," he said. "As early as the evening of Oct. 10 there were already 6,800 Soldiers in

Longarone who worked tirelessly at a grueling pace for days on end."

Although Oct. 9, 2011, was a day of honor, it was also a day that spoke to the mutual respect and positive relationship the United States maintains with Italy, said Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg, commander of U. S. Army Africa.

"While I'm proud to be here to accept this honor on behalf of SETAF, the Vicenza community recognizes the responsibility of citizenship goes beyond this moment," Hogg said.

"USARAF is still in the business of supporting our neighbors," he said. "It is

what we did in 1963, and it is what we will do if called upon in the future."

Hogg said this is not an ending, but a milestone in an enduring partnership between the U.S. and Italy.

"Supporting our friends in need is not something we believe *should* be done, it is what we do," Hogg said. "Our efforts to live as valued, responsible citizens in Italy did not cease with the work of the 'Angels of Mercy' in 1963.

"Be assured we will continue to assist in times of distress," Hogg said, "because that is what good citizens ... good neighbors do."



Photo by Laura Kreider

Employees of the Directorate of Public Works Environmental Division share energy saving tips with community members at the PX food court Friday. They will share more tips Friday. Pictured, from left, are: Ron Pinkoski, Giovanni Albanese and Ronald Holcomb.

DPW: Small changes can conserve energy

DPW Environmental Division

October is National Energy Awareness Month, a special occasion to think about how we use energy at home and work, and the effects on the environment.

There are plenty of ways to decrease our environmental impact that require from us minimal, if not zero, effort. Here are just some of many things you can do to save energy.

- ♦ Set the thermostat to 70 degrees Fahrenheit (21 Celsius) or lower during the heating season. You'll follow our garrison energy conservation policy and save a lot.
- ♦ Keep doors and windows closed when the heat or air conditioning is on.
- ♦ Do not use hot water if warm or cool water will do. Except for indoor heating and air conditioning, the water heater is the most expensive appliance to operate.

- ♦ Use products with the ENERGY STAR label. ENERGY STAR products use less energy.
 - ♦ Turn off lights, the TV, computers and monitors and other electronics when they are not in use. Turn off or unplug transformers and chargers while they are not being used or they will continue to use energy. Don't waste energy on an unused items.
 - ♦ Walk or ride a bike instead of driving a car, use public transportation or share rides.
 - ♦ Suggest energy saving improvements to your management. Take responsibility in your office to be sure that energy-saving policies are followed.
- Remember that awareness is good, but action is better. Take a minute to review your habits.

For energy saving tips and free handouts, visit the Environmental Division's booth at the PX food court Friday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., or contact the Environmental Division at 634-8941 or email eco@eur.army.mil.

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Volunteer Spotlight Army Community Service



Natasha Santos is a youth volunteer with Army Community Service and was named Outstanding Community Youth Volunteer of the Month at the Info X on Oct. 5.

"She has been a tremendous help to the Army Family Team Building Program, the Relocation Readiness Program and the Army Volunteer Corps," said Allie Vallery, USAG Vicenza Army Volunteer Corps program manager. "She has created several months' worth of packets for the Benvenuti class and the ATRP classes. She has also helped with clerical duties in support of ACS programs. In addition, she mentored other younger volunteers in ACS. Natasha has a wonderful attitude and is always looking for challenges for self-development and projects to help support our Families."

To suggest a new staff member or volunteer to be featured in *The Outlook*, email us at editor@eur.army.mil.

Community Camera



Photos by Laura Kreider

New Parent Support room opens: Community members participated in the Grand Opening of the new space dedicated to the New Parent Support Program at Army Community Service Friday. The purpose of the newly refurbished room is to provide “a larger space where moms and their children can meet,” said Andreina Howard, ACS New Parent Support Program nurse/BSN. In 2005, breastfeeding mothers asked for a friendly space where they could breastfeed while on post. The issue was addressed at the 2005 Army Family Action Plan Conference. “The Garrison Commander responded by giving a room at ACS next to the New Parent Support Program,” said Howard. “Since then, parents with their infants and toddlers have been coming in so much that the garrison decided a bigger space was necessary.” Above, mothers and their children check out the new room for young Families. At left, Family members and employees chat in the new space.



Paralympic cheers:

Vicenza High School cheerleaders take a break to pose for a photo after performing at the sixth annual *Giorno Nazionale dello Sport Paralimpico* in Vicenza Oct. 13. Pictured, from left are: head coach Michelle Bologna, Earl Denmon, Hope Cobbeldick, Lauren Rajotte, Sara York, Rachel York, Alexis Camuso, Ginger Pfeffer and assistant coach Amy Gueli.

Photo by David Ruderman



Photo by Anna Terracino



Photo by Mike Leahy

Charity roast: Post community members visited La Fraglia, a center for people with disabilities, Sunday for “La Porchetta Day”. Caserma Ederle enjoys a partnership with the center in which community members, including Italian and American civilians and Soldiers, volunteer with the people who benefit from the center and their families. The lunch was offered by Fileo-Mani, a volunteer catering association, to collect funds for La Fraglia and Agape Cooperatives, which provide a variety of educational and rehabilitation programs to people with disabilities. Above, Chuck Walls, deputy garrison commander for U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza (far left), and Anna Terracino, Host Nation Community Relations specialist (second from left), eat with Alessandro Soave, member of La Fraglia (far right), and family of La Fraglia members. At left, Gino Vento, a volunteer with Fileo-Mani, roasts a pig.

731st MUNS pitches in to help clean mountainside

Story and photo by Sgt. Susan Noga
AFN Livorno

Airmen from the 731st Munitions Squadron pitched in Oct. 1 to help clean up an area near the town of Rigoli, as part of the "Clean Up the World" environmental program and in conjunction with the Comune of San Giuliano Terme.

The main goal was to provide a service and help build relationships with the community living near Camp Darby, according to Tech. Sgt. Christopher Penny.

"Airman Metcalf came to us one morning having an idea for the Italian outreach program. What he wanted to do was cast the Air Force in a positive light within the local community," said Penny.

With a little help from Airman 1st Class Mason Metcalf's leadership, the Italian outreach idea was soon on its way.

Upon receiving their first mission request, nine airmen dedicated a Saturday morning to help the Italian community of Rigoli clean up their mountainside. The sentiment was not lost on the Italians who were working with the airmen.

"Our group was strengthened by a



Airmen from the 731st Munitions Squadron at Camp Darby clean debris from a mountain outside the town of Rigoli Oct. 1. The project was part of an Italian Outreach program to help out in the local communities in conjunction with the Comune of San Giuliano Terme and the "Clean Up the World" environmental program.

group of American guys that has helped really a lot. They even helped take away an engine of a car that was abandoned on the mountain," said Tiziano Nizzoli, L' Oro del Colonnello agriculture company who was part of the clean up.

Juri Sbrana, Vice-Mayor of San Giuliano Terme, said 25 square meters of trash was hauled away as a result of the servicemembers' efforts.

For more information on the Italian outreach program, call 633-8802.

Darby fitness program hosts new Jiu Jitsu Combatives Club

Camp Darby Fitness Center

Camp Darby has added a Jiu-Jitsu Combatives Club to its options for fitness fun.

The club's founder, Matt Labrise, has been studying the "gentle art" for about eight years. The Directorate of Emergency Services firefighter and Jiu Jitsu purple-belt has been teaching the martial art for about five years.

"The only art I love as much as fire rescue is Jiu-Jitsu and I'll happily share this passion with those who can benefit," said Labrise. "I'm enjoying very positive feedback from my students, which to me, is worth more than gold. Plus, I love to refine my own skills. At a very high level, it becomes more of a chess match, than a wrestling match."

Labrise said Jiu Jitsu is mind over matter. Practitioners use their knowledge of body mechanics, leverage and momentum, rather than strength, to protect themselves. This means that



Photo courtesy of Matt Labrise

Matt Labrise, Jiu Jitsu instructor, demonstrates a move on one of his students at the Camp Darby Fitness Center.

brains and technique can matter more than size or weight in Jiu-Jitsu, Labrise said.

To find out more and for class schedule, contact the Camp Darby Fitness Center.



Photo by Chiara Mattiolo

Firefighters focus on prevention: Members of the Camp Darby Fire Department demonstrate fire fighting techniques during the 2011 Fire Prevention Week Oct. 9-15. "During this week, the Fire and Emergency Services Division, DES, sponsored several activities to increase the awareness of fire protection," said Howard Ramieriz, DES. DES leaders urged community members to follow fire prevention and safety policies. These measures include keeping exits and stairways clear of clutter and keeping fire exits easily accessible. Personnel should smoke only in designated areas and extinguish smoking materials safely. More fire prevention tips can be found on the USAG Livorno Safety web page.

News Brief & Happenings



Photo by Chiara Mattiolo

Hispanic Heritage Month ends with spicy fun- Melissa Pierce, community volunteer, serves food Friday during the Camp Darby community's Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration. The event featured food tasting and salsa dancing at the Darby Community Club.

Darby Dates

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

Halloween events

- Oct. 28 at 6 p.m., the Livorno unit school holds their Fall Festival.
- Oct. 29, the DCC will throw a Monster Mash party at 8 p.m. CYSS holds a Parent's Night Out and a Youth Services Kickback night.
- Oct. 31, Community Halloween Fest begins at the Library at 3 p.m., followed by trick or treating and the Youth Services Fest. Youth Services is seeking volunteers to help with the Oct. 31 event. Call 633-7629.

Vet visiting Oct. 27

Call 635-4841 for appointment

Army Community Services 633-7084

- Internet Dangers for Teens & Parents, Oct. 25
- Women's Self-Defense class, Oct. 27
- Couples Communication, Nov. 1
- Playgroup for children 3 years and younger, meets every first and third Wednesday of the month at ACS

Beauty and Spa

633-7642

If you have tickets for services with Conny, redeem them prior to Nov. 30.

ITR

633-7589

- Lucca Comics & Games, Oct. 30
- Ceramics Shopping in Montelupo, Nov. 5
- Florence Noel Trip, Nov. 13

Outdoor Recreation

633-7775

- Deadline to sign up for the "Ski the Matterhorn for Thanksgiving" trip is Nov. 4
- Milano Motorcycle Expo, Nov. 12

Religious Activities

633-7267

- 9:40 a.m. Catholic reconciliation
- 10 a.m. Catholic Mass
- 11:15 a.m. Protestant worship
- 11:15 a.m. Catholic CCD
- PWOC has a morning group Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m., evening Bible study Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. and a walking group Thursdays at 9 a.m.
- Men's Bible Study is Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Bowling Alley
- Club Beyond: Monday lunch, Oct. 24 and 31 and Wednesday Club, Oct. 26

Vicenza Chocolate Fest:

Watch the top 30 Italian chocolate manufacturers preparing their chocolate delicacies and sample a great variety of chocolates free. Chocolate stands will be open Friday from 1-10 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 a.m., and Sunday, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.



Courtesy photo

Concerts

Jax: Friday in Padova
David Crosby and Graham Nash: Oct. 29 in Padova
Bob Dylan and Mark Knopfler: Nov. 9 in Padova
Fleet Foxes: Nov. 19 in Bologna
Christopher Cross: Nov. 20 in Padova
Lenny Kravitz: Nov. 20 in Villorba (Treviso)
Paul McCartney: Nov. 26 in Bologna
Smashing Pumpkins: Nov. 29 in Padova
White Lies: Dec. 2 in Padova
Maroon 5: Dec. 9 in Padova
Red Hot Chili Peppers: Dec. 11 in Assago (Milan)
Rihanna: Dec. 12 in Assago (Milan)
Soweto Gospel Choir: Dec. 17 in Padova

Tickets available in Vicenza at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center or at www.greenticket.it/index.html?imposta_lingua=ing or <http://www.ticketone.it/EN/>.

ODR trips

Halloween in Gardaland, Oct. 30
Mount Ortigara hike, Nov. 5
Wine tasting, Nov. 5
Hawk walk and olive oil, Nov. 6
Veteran's Day in Florence, Nov. 11
Austria ski trip, Nov. 11-13
Cooking class in Bologna: Nov. 12
Mountain bike ride: Nov. 12
Ice skating and lunch at a farm: Nov. 13
Milan & Last Supper: Nov. 19
WWI Tyrol hike: Nov. 19
Women's spa day: Nov. 20
Berlin & Munich overnight: Nov. 23-Nov. 27
Thanksgiving in Romeo & Juliette's castle: Nov. 24
 Trips can be booked on WebTrac at <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/Vicenzarectrac.html> or by following the WebTrac link on www.vicenzaMWR.com or at ODR.

Local events

Ciocolando Vi – Chocolate Festival:

Friday – Sunday, in Vicenza, Piazza Biade, Piazza dei Signori, Piazza Duomo, Piazza Garibaldi and Piazzetta Palladio. Watch the top 30 Italian chocolate manufacturers preparing their chocolate delicacies and sample a great variety of chocolates. Chocolate stands will be open Friday from 1-10 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-2 a.m., and Sunday 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Free chocolate tasting. Downtown stores will be open until midnight on Saturday and all day Sunday. Entertainment program:
 • Saturday: 5:30 p.m. the Bifunck Jazz-Funk Band departs from Piazza Castello and arrives in Piazza dei Signori; 9 p.m. the band departs from the Olympic Theatre and arrives in Piazza dei Signori
 • Sunday: entertainment for children with magic tricks, games and balloon creations show at 10 a.m. in Piazza dei Signori, 3 p.m. in Piazza Posta and 5 p.m. in Piazza dei Signori; clown show performed by the 4 Elements Group 11 a.m. in Piazza dei Signori, 4 p.m. in Piazza Biade and 6 p.m. in Piazza dei Signori

Autumn Festival:

Saturday - Sunday in Sarego at the sports center in Piazza Don Stefano Lago, about 16 miles southwest of Vicenza. Local agricultural products exhibit and sale; food booths open at 6 p.m. featuring mixed game spit-roast and other local specialties

Norwegian Food Fest:

Norwegian dried cod fish with local cheese, wine and oil Festival is Friday - Sunday in Barbarano Vicentino, Sports Center, Via Zonato, about 13 miles south of Vicenza. Food booths open at 7 p.m.; 9 p.m. live music

Alvese di Nogarole Chestnut Festival:

Friday - Sunday, about 19 miles west of Vicenza;
 • Friday: food booths open at 8 p.m.; live entertainment and music at 8:30 p.m. with DF Max Dalla

Valle and Dario Mix

• Saturday: food booths open at 2 p.m.; live music with the No Rules Band at 8 p.m.; 9:30 p.m. singing talent show

• Sunday: 9 a.m. breakfast with local polenta, cheese, soppressa (Vicentine salami), and homemade bread; 9:30 a.m. free guided nature walk with local products tasting. The guide speaks English. At noon, typical lunch featuring gnocchi with fioretta (local ricotta), barbecued steak, water and wine for €12; 1:30 p.m. entertainment for children; 3:30 p.m. Latin-American music and dancing with "Cuba te Llama" Band; 4 p.m. live music with Stefano Righetti

Lovertino, Albettono Chestnut Festival:

Friday - Monday, about 17 miles south of Vicenza. Food booths open at 7 p.m.; 8:30 p.m. live music; charity raffle

Montecchio Precalcino Chestnut Festival:

Sunday, 2-7 p.m., Villa Cita, Via San Rocco 19, about 10 miles north of Vicenza. Local crafts, lace and model aircraft exhibits; 3:30 p.m. folk dances show; 4:30 Tosella cheese-making demonstration; roasted chestnuts

Merendaore, Recoaro Terme Chestnut Fest:

Sunday, 11 a.m., about 28 miles northwest of Vicenza. Chestnuts and honey exhibit and sale; local fruit, vegetable, and cheese market; charity raffle

October Ghel Fest:

Friday - Sunday in Gallio, Parcheggio Ghelpak, Via Prestinari, about 40 miles north of Vicenza. Food booths feature bigoli, goulash soup, and other local specialties. Charity raffle. The event will take place in an indoor heated tent.

• Friday: 6 p.m. food booths; 10 p.m. live music with Libera Uscita Band

• Saturday: 11 a.m. food booths open; 10 p.m. live music with the Babata Band and dance show presented by The Pole Team from Milano

• Sunday: 11 a.m. food booths; 4 p.m. dance show; 10 p.m. live

music and ballroom dancing with Elvira & Mister

Abilmente – Bricolage Manual Creativity expo:

Thursday - Sunday, 9:30 a.m.-7 p.m. in Vicenza, Via dell'Oreficeria 16. Admission fee: €11; reduced €9 (children younger than 12, senior citizens, groups of more than 10 persons). Download reduced tickets at www.abilmente.org/nqcontent.cfm?a_id=1886&tt=abilmente10. Free for children younger than 6, for disabled people and their assistants. Expo includes embroidery and patchwork workshops, creative sewing classes, T-shirt decorations; creative recycling workshops and creative techniques workshops for children. For more info in English, visit www.abilmente.org/nqcontent.cfm?a_id=2103&tt=abilmente10.

Mini cruises:

One-day excursions to the island of San Giorgio in Venice depart at 8:30 a.m. and return at 6 p.m. from Chioggia, Darsena Le Saline. The cost for January-April, and October-December is €75 per person. Children 5-10 pay half price and free for children younger than 5. It includes a typical Venetian lunch and local wine. The Monsier Dubois enterprise also offers sailing courses, cultural and naturalistic cruises and excursions in the Venice lagoon. For more info in English, visit www.monsieurdubois.it/uk/charter1.htm

Palladio Sound Tour:

Visit the main works of Andrea Palladio by renting an MP3 at the Vicenza Tourist Information Office, Piazza Matteotti 12, next to the Olympic Theater. The cost is €3 per day. Leave your state driver's license there and return the MP3 by 6 p.m. Two routes are available: a blue route to visit Vicenza's historical center (Olympic Theater, Chiericati Palace, Casa Cogollo, Santa Corona Church, Garzadori Altar, Leoni Montanari Palace, Thiene Palace, Piazza dei Signori, Corso Palladio) and a yellow route to visit the Palladian villas and Bassano del Grappa (Villa Caldogno, Villa Godi Malinverni, Marostica, Alpini Bridge in Bassano del Grappa, La Rotonda, Villa Cordellina Lombardi).

FREE concerts, exhibits & events

Pottery exhibit:

Ongoing through Nov. 13, Tuesday-Thursday and Saturday-Sunday, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 3-7 p.m.; Wednesday-Friday 3-7 p.m., in Vicenza, ViArt, Contrà del Monte 13

Jewelry exhibit:

Ongoing through Oct. 30, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday-Sunday, 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and 3 - 7 p.m.; Wednesday, Friday, 3 - 7 p.m. in Vicenza, ViArt, Contrà del Monte 13

Christmas show:

Oct. 20, 9 p.m., in Vicenza, Piazza San Lorenzo

Photo exhibit:

Visit and view images at the "You may say I'm a dreamer ... image" photo exhibit by Sophie Knijf, ongoing through Nov. 6. Tuesday-Sunday, 3-7 p.m., in Bassano del Grappa, Chiesetta dell'Angelo, Via Roma 80, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza.

Now Showing



Ederle Theater

Thursday	The Change Up (R)	6 p.m.
Friday	Rise of the Planet of the Apes (PG 13)	6 p.m.
	Final Destination 5 (R)	9 p.m.
Saturday	The Big Year (PG 13)	3 p.m.
	Rise of the Planet of the Apes (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Sunday	The Big Year (PG 13)	3 p.m.
	Final Destination 5 (R)	6 p.m.
Wed.	Rise of the Planet of the Apes (PG 13)	6 p.m.
Oct. 27	Final Destination 5 (R)	6 p.m.
Oct. 28	Spy Kids: All the Time in the World (PG)	6 p.m.
	30 Minutes or Less (R)	9 p.m.

Camp Darby Theater

Friday	Final Destination 5 (R)	6 p.m.
Saturday	What's Your Number? (R)	6 p.m.
Sunday	Rise of the Planet of the Apes (PG 13)	1 p.m.
Oct. 28	30 Minutes or Less (R)	6 p.m.

Admission: Age 12 and older, \$4, younger than 12, \$2.

The Ederle theater box office opens one hour prior to show.

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

Halloween at Villaggio

Halloween will be celebrated at Villaggio Oct. 31. Carnival games at Villaggio are 3:30-6 p.m. Youth can enjoy the Howl at the Moon contest, Twister, mummy wrap, a fortune teller, musical tombstones and the mad scientist lab, plus crafts and the costume show. Trick or treating is 6-8 p.m.

This year, the post will not be opened to the public. Italian military and civilian employees of Caserma Ederle and U.S. military personnel and civilians are invited to attend with their Families. U.S. military personnel and civilians are also encouraged to invite friends or neighbors and sponsor them to attend activities. Guests should bring identification. Sponsors must accompany their guests at all times and are responsible for them while they are on the installation.

A shuttle bus will run every 15 minutes from 3-9 p.m. between the Commissary parking lot and the Villaggio front gate. Children must remain under adult supervision at all times. No roller blades, skates, skateboards, bicycles, mopeds or motorcycles or pets are permitted in the fest area. For more information, visit www.vicenzaMWR.com.

USO haunted house & Halloween party

USO is hosting a free Halloween party for the Caserma Ederle community Oct. 28-30 at the Arena. From 7-10 p.m., visit the haunted house. Young children can be dropped off at the party room downstairs for some treats while adults and teens get spooked upstairs. On Oct. 30, starting at 2 p.m., there will be a bouncy house, hay rides, face painting, photos, live music and more outside the Arena. At 6 p.m., adults can give out candy from their cars so children can go trick or treating from trunk to trunk. Wear costumes and decorate your car trunks for the contest at 7 p.m. The USO is seeking volunteers to help out. For info, contact nikimac@gmail.com or 327-263-8012.

Red Ribbon events

The Red Ribbon Week "Anti-Drug" Campaign is Monday to Oct. 28. Monday, the Army Substance Abuse Program kicks off a week-long Treasure Hunt. Listen to AFN and check the Garrison and AFN Facebook pages for the clues. For more info, visit www.usag.vicenza.army.mil and click on "Red Ribbon Treasure Hunt Rules". Tuesday, visit the RRW booth at the PX, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday, 12:30-1:30 p.m., highschoolers can enjoy free bowling at the Arena, Friday is the Treasure Hunt Grand Finale. Monday, visit the RRW Halloween booth at Villaggio.

The Middle School is hosting an essay contest on the theme, "It's Up to Me to be Drug Free". There are cash prizes for first to third place, provided by Global Bank.

Holiday shipping deadlines

The holiday shipping deadlines for mail to arrive by Dec. 25 are:

Nov. 25, SAM parcels; Dec. 2, PAL parcels; Dec. 9, priority parcels; Dec. 9, first-class letters. The Postal Service Center's hours will be expanded during December for holiday demand.

CYSS

Youth Center Ski and Snowboard Trips to Arabba, Folgaria, Kron Platz and San Martino for grades 6-12 begin Dec. 3. Trips cost \$15 and include transportation and supervision. One overnight trip youth in grades 7-12 is planned Dec 27-29 to Garmisch for \$80, including lodging. Enrollment begins Dec. 13. For more info, visit vicenzaMWR.com or call 634-7659.

ACS

♦ Army Family Action Plan is collecting issues for the AFAP Conference. This is an opportunity to suggest ideas for changes you'd like to see at the command, USAREUR and Army-levels. Submit your issues at www.vicenzamwr.com/acs_afap.html. The deadline for issue submission for the 2012 Conference is Nov. 1, 2011. ACS is also seeking delegates for the conference. To volunteer, contact ACS at 634-7500

♦ The ACS Angel Tree Opening Ceremony is Nov. 16 at 3:30 p.m. in the ACS lobby. Give a Holiday present to a child in the USAG Vicenza community who might otherwise go without. For more info, call ACS at 634-7500.

♦ Freddy FAP, Family Advocacy's traveler, returns from Namibia Nov. 16 from 3:30-4:40 p.m. with snacks and activities for Families and children. Call 634-6202.

EFMP art time

Arts and Crafts Center is hosting an EFMP Creative Mind's Open Art Time, Nov. 19, 3-5 p.m. The cost \$3.50. Siblings of EFMs also invited. Call 634-7500.

Spouse scholarship

The deadline for Term 3 of the Overseas Spouse Education Assistance Program is Dec. 12. Spouses residing with the Soldier

overseas and pursuing their first undergraduate degree are eligible. For more info, visit www.aerhq.org or contact AER at 634-7500.

Soldiers' Theatre

♦ Music Café is back Friday at 7:30 p.m. Head to Soldiers' Theatre for an evening of relaxing music and light snacks and refreshments. Local musicians perform and you can join them on stage, too.

♦ Improv Night is Oct. 28 at 7:30 p.m. Experience a night of hilarious music, hysterical scenes, outrageously funny improv and entertaining adult humor. For more info, call 634-7281.

VHS School Advisory Committee

The Vicenza High School Advisory Council will meet Nov. 8 at 3:15 p.m. in VHS, room 39. All parents and interested community members are invited to attend. For information, email Patty Francis at pfrancis82@aol.com.

USARAF FRG

The USARAF Family Readiness Group's meeting will be Nov. 1, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Arena, second floor. Free lunch and childcare is available for children 6 weeks to 12 years old, via CYSS vouchers. Children must be registered with CYSS. Space is limited. Early reservation is Oct. 10 - 17. RSVP to Patty Francis at pfrancis82@aol.com by Oct. 28.

Power outage

There is a power outage scheduled Oct. 29, 5-8:30 a.m. for maintenance. The entire installation, except for buildings supported by generators, will be affected. It will not affect Villaggio.

UMUC courses

Register for Fall Session II at UMUC by Oct. 30. Classes are Oct. 31- Dec. 16. Classes being offered locally are: Italian 1 and 2, Principles of Accounting, Human Biology & Lab, Intro to Psychology, Intro to Statistics, Intro to Computers, Fundamentals of

Writing & Grammar. Active duty and military spouses can apply for a \$100 textbook scholarship. For more info., call 634-7055 or email vice@europe.umuc.edu or visit www.ed.umuc.edu.

CTC registration

Registration has begun for Term 2 at Central Texas College. Criminal Justice, Early Childhood, Automotive, and EMT classes are beginning as early as October 29th and are running through mid December. This term we are offering four Criminal Justice classes to include: International Criminal Justice, Gangs and Gang Infiltration in the Military, Police Brutality, and Introduction to Criminal Justice. In addition, we are offering an Early Childhood class titled Families, School, and Community; an Introduction to Automotive Technology; and an EMTB Certification class. For more info, contact 634-6514, vicenza@europe.ctcd.edu, or visit room 206 in the Education Center.

Babysitter's training

The Red Cross hosts Babysitter's Training Nov. 5, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Red Cross, Bldg 108. The course costs \$35 and includes book and babysitting kit. Registration is required. Call 0444-71-7089 or visit the Red Cross to register.

MOMS Club events

♦ Out-n-About, Friday
♦ Monthly Meeting, Monday
♦ Toddler play group, Tuesday
♦ Halloween party, Oct. 27
These events are subject to change. For more information, email momsclubofvicenza@yahoo.com.

VCC flea market

The Vicenza Community Club will host a flea market Nov. 5, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Teen Center in Villaggio. Outdoor Recreation will be on site for ski and snow board waxing demos, equipment checks and more. Selling space is limited and costs \$20. To sign up, email waysandmeans@vccitaly.org.

Religious activities

Chaplain Crisis Line

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

Sunday services

9 a.m.: Mass, Sacrament of Reconciliation following Mass, or during duty hours
11 a.m.: Protestant worship
1:30 p.m.: Full Gospel Pentecostal worship
5 p.m.: Contemporary Christian service

Tuesdays

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

Wednesdays

3 p.m.: Praise dance practice
3:15 p.m.: Middle School Club Beyond meets in Villaggio Youth Center
5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice
5:30 p.m.: PWOC Bible study. Dinner provided. No child care
5:30 p.m.: High School Club Beyond meets at the Teen Center for dinner; meeting starts at 6:30 p.m. Call 340-139-4073 for information
5:30 p.m.: Catholic choir practice
6:45 p.m.: Gospel choir practice

Thursdays

9:30 a.m.: Catholic Women of the Chapel
5:30 p.m.: Gospel service choir rehearsal
7:15 p.m.: Gospel service Bible study

Faith group contacts

Islamic: Call 634-7519 (0444-71-7519) for info
Jewish: Call Paul Levine at 345-907-2108
Latter Day Saints: Call Chance Wilson at 327-869-8107. Sunday services, 1:30-4:30 p.m. at Viale Trento 246, Vicenza.
Bahá'í Faith: Call Russell Menard at 389-133-4627 or 349-708-2535.

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



Photo by Laura Kreider

CFC takes the cake: From the left, the U.S. Army Garrison command team of Command Sgt. Maj. Jeffrey Hartless and Col. David Buckingham, along with U.S. Army Africa command team of Maj. Gen. David R. Hogg and Command Sgt. Maj. Hu Rhodes, cut a cake celebrating the kick off of the Combined Federal Campaign Oct. 5 at the Info X. The CFC is an opportunity for federal employees to donate money to a variety of causes to help improve the quality of life for all. The Vicenza campaign runs to Dec. 2. To donate, call 634-8743, talk to your CFC rep or visit www.cfcoverseas.org.

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Photo by Laura Kreider

VHS Boys' Volleyball undefeated: Michael De Oliveira (#1) bumps the ball as team captain David Lynch (#12) and co-captain Cooper Armstrong (#14) look on in a game Oct. 1. At 9-0, the Vicenza High School Boys' Volleyball team remains the only undefeated team in their league in Italy after Saturday's double header win over the Aviano Saints. Vicenza won 25-21, 25-23, 21-25, 25-21 in the first match. Second match scores were 25-17, 24-26, 25-15, 25-20 for Vicenza. The boys and girls Cougars teams have two games remaining prior to the season-ending championships. The teams play Sigonella on Saturday. Their final home match is Oct. 29 against AOSR. Games start at 9 a.m. in the Vicenza High School gymnasium. According to Susan Vanderbeek, one of the team's coaches, this is the best record for the boys' team since 2007. Both teams have qualified for post season play starting Nov. 3. The boys will compete in the Mediterranean Championships hosted at Aviano AB. The girls head north to Germany in the DODD's European championships, hosted at the Kaiserslautern Military Community.

1/503rd Soldier-runner leaving big mark in European races

Story and photo by Tom Hlavacek
Special to the Outlook

Among typical runners, one Vicenza Soldier stands out - both for his abilities and his size. Sgt. Michael Phillips is one of the biggest long-distance runners that you will see running a six-minute-plus pace for more than 10 miles.

At six foot, inches and 225 pounds, with a body fat ranging around 6 percent, the Soldier looks more like a boxer in the super heavyweight division or defensive end for a college football team.

His linebacker build hasn't slowed him down, though. In June, the 29 year old from 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment placed fifth in the Grafenwoehr Ten-Miler, with a time of 61 minutes and 43 seconds, qualifying to be on the U.S. Army Europe Ten-Miler team, Lt. Gen. Mark Hertling's team.

"I love running," Phillips said. "Every day I look forward to my running workouts. Veneto is a beautiful area to run in, and I'm out and about exploring new places every weekend.



Sgt. Michael Phillips, 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, is a dedicated runner who is making his mark in European races.

However, at the Army Ten-Miler in Washington, D.C., on Oct. 9 while competing against 30,000 others, Phillips was disappointed with his run of 65:13.

"I think I competed at about 80 percent," he said.

He believes his body was still recovering from Ranger School, which he had finished two weeks prior to the race.

"At the Army Ten-Miler, we all want to be there, to represent out respective units and possibly win. Ranger School and the Ten-Miler are similar in that we all have to train for this one event and are ready to push ourselves to the limits. And yet, the simple concept of 'wanting to' versus 'having to' makes the two completely different."

The Legion Company Soldier doesn't plan to slow down now. Friday he will participate in the Livorno 12k "Race to the Tower." On Nov. 13, he plans to run the Athens's Marathon. In the past year, he prepped by running marathons in Malta, Rome, Vienna and Prague.

At Livorno this Friday, if you want to find him, just look for the biggest guy at the front of the pack.

Mako Sharks top Naples, Aviano for win

By John Casey
Special to the Outlook

Caserma's Ederle Mako Sharks hosted the Aviano Sea Dragons and the Naples Tiger Sharks during their homecoming meet Sunday at the Fitness Center pool on post.

Vicenza won the meet with a total of 402 points. Aviano scored 307 points to edge out the 2010 Southern Division Champions Naples for second place. Naples scored 297 points.

"We held a swim clinic on Saturday to prepare our swimmers for the meet and it really paid off," said Head Coach Michelle Hughes. "We saw dramatic improvements from all swimmers on the team and had many more qualify for Champs."

Vicenza swimmers who qualified for the European Forces Swim

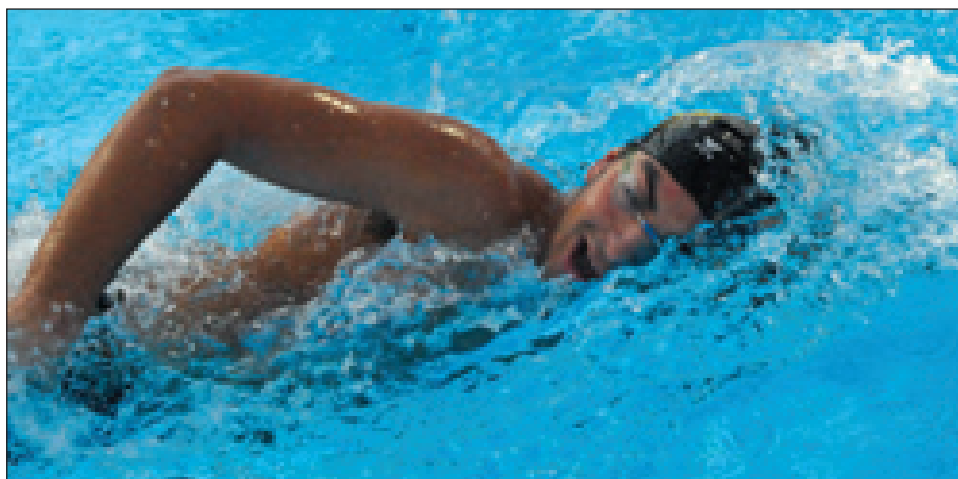


Photo by Anna Calabrese

Matteo Borsi competes in the Mako Sharks meet Sunday at the Fitness Center pool. The meet resulted in a total of 14 swimmers being qualified in the season so far for the European Championships.

League Championships in Eindhoven, Netherlands, since the start of the season include: Joseph Bonney, 6, 50 meter backstroke; Jamie Casey, 8, 50m butterfly; Jack Labadia, 10, 100m individual medley; Hayden Diaz, 10, 50m back; Evie Bass, 11, 50m free; Anuk Dayaprema, 12, 50m back; James Jones,

13, 200m free and 100m backstroke; Matteo Borsi, 15, 200m freestyle and 100m breaststroke; Elizabeth Bonney, 15, 50m freestyle; and Ben Owens, 16, 100m freestyle.

This brings the total number of Mako Sharks qualified for the European Championships to 14.

CYSS table tennis
CYSS is offering Table Tennis for youth ages 9-15 years old from Nov. 2 - Dec. 5. The program will assist in skill development, practice, and competition in table tennis. Enroll by Friday. Children must be registered with CYSS and have a valid health assessment through the season. Call the CYSS Sports and Fitness Office at 634-6151 for more information or to sign up.

Adult swim class
Adult Advanced Beginner Swim Lessons run Oct. 26 - Nov. 18, Wednesdays and Fridays, 5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. The class costs \$45. For more information, call the Fitness Center at 634-7616.

Unit & rec play
New players are always welcome. Call 634-7009 or individual POCs.

Rugby: Tuesdays and Thursdays 6-7:30 p.m., North 40 field.

Basketball: 11:45 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for 10 or more, Fitness Center.

Racquetball: 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for 16 participants, Fitness Center.

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

Women's Soccer: (not currently meeting) 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays for 12 or more players at the turf field behind the Ederle Inn. Email sr_brasher@yahoo.com or call 634-8925.

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

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

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

Chapel Dance Team
The Chapel's Praise Dance Team is looking for new recruits to join the fun. Contact Stephanie Lewis at mrs.tallaslewis@gmail.com for more information.

Have information about sports? Email The Outlook editor at editor@eur.army.mil with photos, scores or upcoming information about having your team featured in the newspaper.