



A Soldier from U.S. Army Europe's 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team pulls security as a Bulgarian medical evacuation helicopter lands during Allied Force 12 in Novo Selo, Bulgaria, Oct. 8. Allied Force 12 involved U.S. Army Europe's 172nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team and the Bulgarian 1st Battalion, 61st Mechanized Brigade. The training was designed to test the Bulgarian Land Forces first battalion battle group's readiness to deploy.

U.S., Bulgarian forces train together in Allied Force 12

Story and photo by Sgt. Joel Vazquez
173rd ABCT Rear Detachment PAO

NOVO SELO, Bulgaria – Soldiers from U.S. Army Europe and their partners from the Bulgarian Land Forces are working together here Oct. 29-Nov. 10 to certify a Bulgarian battalion as part of exercise Allied Force 12.

USAREUR's 172nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team is providing observer-controllers to oversee the training, while Soldiers of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team will train alongside members of the Bulgarian 1st Battalion, 61st Mechanized Brigade in the exercise. The brigades' support to the Bulgarian certification helps

fulfill USAREUR and Department of the Army goals of providing U.S. support to coalition partners participating in contingency operations, and ensures the battalion is fully ready to deploy if called upon.

"Training like this is important because it best replicates the multinational environment in which our Soldiers will be operating downrange when serving in (the NATO International Security Assistance Force) or in other missions abroad," said Maj. Mary Clare McKenna, desk officer for Bulgaria, Romania, Kosovo and Hungary at USAREUR's Security Cooperation Division.

As a lead-up to the battalion's certification, elements of the 61st Mechanized Brigade participated in several rotations during the past 18 months at USAREUR's Joint

Multinational Readiness Center to prepare themselves and their multinational partners for contingency operations.

"I am very pleased to be here today to congratulate the Bulgarian Armed Forces, and especially the Land Forces, on the certification of their first Battalion Battle Group — the 1st Battalion, 61st Mechanized Brigade," said U.S. Ambassador to Bulgaria Marcie Ries. "This achievement underscores the commitment of the Bulgarian Armed Forces to fully realizing their potential as a NATO member, as well as their importance to the alliance."

Bulgaria currently has nearly 600 soldiers supporting ISAF.

C/106th FMSD cashes in assistance during deployment

USAG Vicenza PAO

Two dozen Vicenza-based Soldiers with C/106th Financial Management Support Detachment are contributing to Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan where they provide finance support to more than 15,000 customers spread across a dozen forward operating bases.

"The C/106th FMSD mission is to sustain Financial Management support to Regional Command-Capital," said Capt. Khan Hossain, detachment commander.

"Financial support includes disbursing, commercial vendor services, paying agent activities and paying support to all military members, civilians and contractors in the theater of operation; as well as enhancing the development of the host nation banking system."

The Soldiers deployed to Afghanistan from Caserma Ederle March 8. The detachment belongs to the 106th Financial Management Support Unit, 16th Special Troops Battalion, 16th Sustainment Brigade.

Already eight months into their

deployment, the unit has collected \$20 million in Savings Deposit Program Contributions, disbursed \$15 million to customers through Eagle Cash Sales and check cashing, disbursed \$2 million through Paying Agent operations, funded and settled official travel for more than 200 Afghan National Security Force officials, coded more than 7,000 military pay transactions, and reviewed and submitted 500 contracts for payment totaling nearly \$68 million.

"I am extremely proud of my Soldiers for their professionalism and endurance;

they have shown great strength of character to bring our mission to a success; they are pretty safe and their morale is extremely high on this front," said Hossain.

Detachment sergeant, Sgt. 1st Class Terry Anderson said, "This deployment, we were able to see many of our Soldiers grow into noncommissioned officers and gain the experience that will allow them to better coach and mentor Soldiers in a more in-depth way."

The performance of the unit is also

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The commissary will be open Monday for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Commissary offers tips to ensure food safety

By Kay Blakley
DeCA home economist

FORT LEE, Va. – Seeing pink as you're slicing into your beautifully browned holiday turkey is enough to strike fear into the heart of any cook, no matter how experienced they are. Follow these few tips to avoid that scene this holiday season.

First, make sure your turkey is completely thawed before being prepped for the oven. Thaw in the refrigerator, on a tray, to catch any juices; and allow five hours per pound to complete thawing. Depending on size, this can take from two to five days. To speed things up a bit, remove the giblet packet and neck from inside the turkey and thaw them separately. Be sure to check both the body cavity and the neck cavity for these – sometimes they are stored in two packets.

If time is short, leave the turkey in its original wrapper, place breast side down in a large container and cover completely

with cold water. Change the water every 30 minutes and allow an hour per pound total thawing time.

If you don't own an instant-read thermometer, put that at the top of your commissary shopping list. An oven-safe thermometer works, too, but it is simply not possible to judge doneness without one or the other. While you're preparing the turkey for the oven, take note of its anatomy so you'll be able to insert the thermometer properly.

Lift the leg and feel along the thigh to help visualize how deeply into the interior the thigh meets the body. Insert the thermometer into the thickest part of the thigh just beneath – but not touching – the bone, reaching all the way down to the joint. Take note that the breastbone runs through the center of the breast from the neck to the body cavity. To test the breast meat, insert the thermometer parallel to the breastbone deep into the neck end of the breast where the meat is thickest.

The temperature you will roast to is

somewhat a matter of preference. The breast is perfectly cooked when the thermometer reaches between 160 and 165 degrees. But the leg is a different story. At 170 degrees, the leg meat is safe to eat but will be firm and have a ruddy glow, with the thigh meat slightly stiff and pinkish.

Continuing to roast to a temperature of 175 degrees will take care of those issues, but the breast meat will suffer from the longer roasting time. If you prefer not even a trace of pink, continue to roast to a temperature of 180. Just accept that the breast meat will be overdone, and be sure to offer plenty of good-tasting gravy.

For help with the remainder of the feast, visit Kay's Kitchen and choose from our collection of traditional holiday recipe favorites at http://www.commissaries.com/kays_kitchen/healthy_cooking/articles/kays_11_05_12.cfm.

And, as always, trust your commissary to provide both the best quality and the best price.

U.S. Embassy recognizes Italian commissioner

U.S. Embassy Rome Public Affairs

The U.S. Ambassador David Thorne hosted a special ceremony at the U.S. Embassy in Rome Oct. 30 to honor Paolo Costa, the Italian government's Special Commissioner for the construction of Del Din, the military base formerly known as Dal Molin.

Ambassador Thorne credited the success of Del Din to the strong support that the United States received from the highest levels of the Italian government, including the executive, legislative and judicial branches over several years and by several different governments.

During the ceremony Ambassador Thorne praised Special Commissioner Costa, calling him "an inspiring representative of the Italian Government, the Veneto and Venezia; a true friend of the US; and a Commissioner who got the job done – and done well."

Ambassador Thorne, on behalf of the United States, presented Special Commissioner Costa with a Certificate of Appreciation, which read: "This award is presented to Paolo Costa for exceptionally

far-sighted vision, dedication and leadership which has contributed significantly to the advancement of the Italian-American security partnership and to the lasting endurance of US-Italy relations."

Costa said the certificate gave him satisfaction that went beyond personal gratification.

"I had the privilege to actively contribute and follow up to the international agreements freely undertaken between Italy and the United States of America," Costa said.

With these agreements Italy has been able to judiciously interpret its own Constitutional principles fully implementing Article 11 and taking responsibility to support those actions "necessary to a system that ensures peace and justice among nations."

The construction of Del Din is nearly complete. Once opened, Del Din will become home to the command headquarters of U.S. Army Africa and the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team. Construction and outfitting is scheduled to be completed in the spring, and Del Din will be inaugurated at a public ceremony next summer.



Photo courtesy U.S. Embassy Rome

Special Commissioner Paolo Costa, right, receives an award from U.S. Ambassador David Thorne who expresses his gratitude for the strong support he has given the United States for the construction of Del Din, the military base formerly known as Dal Molin.

Speak Out

What is your favorite Thanksgiving dish?



Pfc. William Davis

1st Bn., 503rd Inf. Reg.

"Chicken and dumplings: it is a great combination that I have been eating since early childhood."



Spc. Timothy Miller

1st Bn., 503rd Inf. Reg.

"Turkey, ham, mashed potatoes and stuffing with gravy: can't beat the classics."



Justin Simmons

Family member

"My mom's homemade stuffing is extremely delicious. Everybody in the family comes to the table in hopes of getting a plate full."

By Laura Kreider

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borne out in a number of individual accomplishments.

Sgt. Sarah Lord was named FY 12 10th Sustainment Brigade Soldier of the Year,

Sgt. 1st Class Anthony Cruz-Diaz was selected as FY 12 18th Financial Management Center NCO of the Year, and Sgt. Alicia Davis was named FY 12 33rd Financial Management Company Soldier of the Year.

Additionally eight members were NCO/Soldier 33rd Financial Management Support Unit board winners. Detachment

Soldiers will be coming back with more stripes as well. Two Soldiers were promoted to Staff Sergeant, eight Soldiers were promoted to Sergeant and two Soldiers were promoted with waiver from private first class to specialist.

"We have contributed significantly to the overall campaign plan by the 33rd FMSU; providing the best notch financial management support to our customers in the Kabul Base Cluster area and earning the highest operational review rating out of all FMSDs by the 10th Sustainment Brigade," said Hossain.

509th Sig. Bn. gives social networking training at VHS

Story and photo by Janet Geisler
509th Signal Battalion

Army Europe–Information Technology Training Program, in concert with the 509th Signal Battalion, sponsored the AE-ITT Social Networking Systems Awareness Training for the Department of Defense Educational System Activity, Vicenza High School. The training provided valuable information to high school students on the usage and interaction of public websites utilized today for social networking.

Social networking is the most popular on-line activity in use today with millions of individuals wanting to meet other people to gather and share information and photos and discuss common interests (hobbies), and world events.

The awareness training kicked off the cybersecurity poster contest open to all high school students in Vicenza. Students were asked to submit artwork in accordance with cybersecurity month's theme of "Stop. Think.Connect." 509th Sig. Bn. is pleased to announce cybersecurity month's poster contest winner-Sara Anderson, a twelfth grader at VHS.

There are several things you can do to protect yourself and critical information

when using social networking sites. First and most importantly, verify the identity of those who attempt to friend you on social networking sites. A name and a photograph do not constitute verification.

- ◆ Lock down your profile/make it private
- ◆ Be suspicious
- ◆ Do a web search on yourself, your unit, and family members to see what information is posted to the internet
- ◆ Review information and photos before posting
- ◆ Be aware of any public affairs implications of your activities
- ◆ Watch out for your friends and ensure they are not posting any operational security disclosures. Data aggregation from different sources could reveal sensitive or even classified information
- ◆ Educate your fellow unit members, family members and friends on the risks of SNS
- ◆ Do not use the same password for each SNS. Do not use information commonly associated with you (family name, pet names)

For more information on SNS, contact the [509th Sig. Bn.](#) training coordinator at DSN 634-5033



Lt. Col. Kevin Romano, 509th Signal Brigade commander, presents Vicenza High School senior Sara Anderson a coin after winning the cybersecurity month's poster contest. The Vicenza Middle School winner, not pictured, is sixth grader Anna Mathena.

Cybersafety an ongoing issue in Vicenza school district

By David Ruderman

USAG Vicenza Public Affairs

Editor's Note: This is the first of a two-part series on cyberbullying in Vicenza military community schools.

The stories are all over the Internet: fear, anxiety and demoralization, spoofed identities, teen suicides. It's bullying in the digital age and it is here in Vicenza, too. "Cyberbullying is a real thing," said one Vicenza High School senior. "People do get hurt over it. Words do hurt people and words make kids do crazy things."

Informal conversations with VHS students indicate that while few have experienced Internet bullying themselves, almost all are aware of it happening.

"Not particularly in my life, but in other kids' lives," said another senior. "They harass each other through like email and like Facebook so yes, it does have an effect."

"I've seen it online," said a junior at the school. "I've seen people posting stuff about other people, saying like so-and-so is this and this, and mentioning their name or tagging them in a post."

The pervasive, yet elusive nature of the Internet form of bullying has prompted an active discourse over the past several years among educators. Part of the response has centered on analyzing and educating students about the occasional negative behavior that new media has made possible, and part has been to develop a variety of mechanisms for keeping it in check and sanctioning abuse.

"The problem comes in when students feel that they can lash out in some way and be mean and hurtful to another student," said Vicenza Middle School counselor Carol Kabonick who, along with school psychologist Diana Vidrini, is co-chair of the USAG Vicenza Anti-Bullying Task Force.

"And that creates a big, big problem because the kids normally would not say it

face to face, so it's easier for them to say it online. And it might happen outside of school, but the repercussions of that kind of activity always spill over into the school day," she said.

VHS Principal Lauri Kenney said cyberbullying is like gossip, "When you tell one person, they're going to tell somebody else and they're going to tell somebody else."

The writer of the original comments, she said, do not realize how the person on the receiving end feels. "Cyberbullying is not about how you feel, it's about how that other person takes it ... it's how the other people who see it react," Kenney said. "It's the emotions that come afterwards that we have to deal with. And people don't know when to stop. What happens with Facebook or what happens with email is, people read it over and over, so then they start believing it. It's like an abused spouse or an abused child."

Vidrini said a good rule of thumb is "If you can't say something out loud, you probably shouldn't be typing it. Or if you can't say something twice, there's probably something wrong with it."

"When you press that send button, you don't see it and it's kind of like, it's done and nothing happens. For the ones that get reported there are repercussions, but for how many bullying instances that get reported, how many are not reported? So many times people hit that send button and there are no repercussions," Vidrini said.

This can lead to a snowballing effect which sometimes spills over into the schools, as it did last year at VMS.

VMS Principal Dr. Julio Gonzalez said the issue arose with a handful of female students. "What we found with the Internet cyberbullying was mostly with the personal accounts from home that ended up here. They were not school accounts," he said.

VMS educational technologist Debra Wilson said those hurt feelings and behavior

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Guns 'N' Hoses

U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza Child Supervision

Policy: Children in the ages of newborn to 4 years

old must be supervised at all times. Children in the

ages of 5 years old through 10 years old may be left

to play in a park/yard with immediate access to adult

supervision (i.e. sight and hearing distance). Children in the grades first

through fifth grade may walk to and from DoD sanctioned events alone. Parents must consider the

distance to the event and the maturity of the child. Children in these ages may not walk between

Villaggio and post or to off post quarters. Children in the ages of 9 years old to 10 years may

be left unattended in a vehicle with the vehicle off (no keys inside) and the hand brake applied.

(i.e. When picking up the mail or paying for gasoline). Children in the ages of 11 years old and

12 years old may be left home alone for up to six hours in a 24-hour period; with ready access

to adult supervision (i.e. at minimum telephone access and telephone number of additional adult

supervisors.) Children in the age of 11 years old may babysit siblings for up to 3 hours with

ready access to adult supervision and with CYSS and Red Cross babysitting training. Children

in the age of 12 years old may babysit for up to 6 hours, but not over night.



Community news

Vicenza Dragons second at home tourney



Photos by Laura Kreider

Vicenza Black Dragon player Louis Veazey works on his defense during the game on Saturday against Hohenfels. The Dragons ended the season undefeated and finished second in the tournament while Schweinfurt, Germany, took first. [Click here to see more photos.](#)



Jacques Resseguie, a Vicenza Black Dragon player prepares to steal the ball during the IMCOM youth soccer tournament Saturday.

By Tom Hlavacek
Special to the Outlook

With a score of 2-0, Schweinfurt's Junior youth team ages 13-15 won the CYSS IMCOM-Europe Eastern Regional Soccer Championship over host Vicenza on a soggy field Sunday afternoon. This victory robbed Vicenza of their goal to repeat as champions for the third consecutive year. It came down to the final game. In the finals, the Schweinfurt defense smothered the Vicenza Black Dragons offense with two and three defenders on the Vicenza attackers and held Vicenza scoreless. Schweinfurt's first goal came from midfield with Tristin Mansfield scoring in the 16th minute. Then, Taylor Baumgartner, sealing the championship, skidded the ball into the goal from 22 meters out with 15 minutes remaining in the game.

Vicenza coaches Kevin Taylor assigned to the Warriors Transition Unit and Bruno Decaro congratulated their team for a good season. The Black Dragons were 6-0-1 during the season and 3-1 in championship play. They won the Vicenza Garrison Championship to represent Vicenza in the IMCOM-Europe annual regional tournament.

Taylor said, "Goalie Hunter Mathis had a shutout going until the semis against Aviano. Utility player Adrian Guerrero had two goals in the tournament and attacker Jacques Resseguie scored a hat trick in the first game and four goals in the tournament. Right wing player Louis Veazey's acceleration played havoc to opponents on our right side as a striker and defender."

Vicenza had to come back in the semifinals

after trailing 1-0 against Aviano. Early in the second half, Aviano's Lorenzo King nailed a 36-meter goal from the left side over Vicenza's goalie Hunter Mathis to up the emotional level for Vicenza. Mathis said, "On that goal I just didn't know where I was when the ball sailed into the nets."

Vicenza's striker Alex Decaro stepped up and scored to tie the game with 15 minutes remaining in the second half. The Vicenza Black Dragons prevailed 3-2 in the penalty kick shootout to advance into the finals.

Schweinfurt's Blue Thunder completed a perfect season. After a third place finish last season, this year's team went undefeated with a perfect 7-0 record during the regular season. They finished 4-0 in this year's IMCOM-Europe championship.

Schweinfurt coach Derek Walker praised his team saying, "Our goalie Carlos Vasquez went all 11 games without being scored upon in regular play and we mercy-ruled most of the teams in Germany. Our goal was just to improve as players and as a team every year." Walker took over the coaching reigns from Michael Awoyomi who deployed to war during the season and, "We played for him."

Aviano had their best tournament winning 3-0 over Ansbach to garner the bronze with a hat trick by Vadaunte Holland.

Final Team Standings

1. Schweinfurt
2. Vicenza
3. Aviano
4. Ansbach
5. Bamberg
6. Hohenfels
7. Vilseck

Darby Military Community

Darby fire department warns of holiday fire dangers

By Chris McGuire

Darby Military Community Fire Department

For most of us, the holiday season represents a time for family festivities and good cheer. What few of us consider is that the holiday season is a time when there is an increased risk of home fires. According to the National Fire Protection Association, many households engage in holiday activities that serve as some of the leading causes of U.S. home fires, including cooking, Christmas trees, candle usage and holiday decorations also significantly contribute to the seasonal causes of home fires. Add to that the hectic nature of the holidays, when people are trying to accomplish multiple tasks at one time, and the chance for home fires grows even greater.

Fortunately, with a little added awareness and some minor adjustments to holiday cooking and decorating, the season can remain festive and safe for everybody. By taking some preventative steps and following simple rules of thumb, most home fires can be prevented.

With unattended cooking as the leading cause of U.S. home fires and home fire injuries, it is important to stay in the kitchen while you are frying, grilling or broiling food. Most cooking fires involve the stove top, so keep anything that can catch fire away from it, and turn off the stove when you leave the kitchen, even if it is for a short period of time. If you are simmering, boiling, baking or roasting food, check it regularly and use a timer to remind you that you are cooking. The Darby Military Community Fire Department also suggests creating a "kid-free zone" of at least three feet around the stove and areas where hot food and drinks are prepared or carried.

Candles are widely used in homes throughout the holidays, and December is the peak month for home candle fires. The nonprofit NFPA's statistics show that more than half of all candle fires start because the candles had been too close to things that could catch fire.

Darby Military Community Fire Department encourages DMC residents to consider using flameless candles, which look and smell like real candles. However, if you do use traditional candles, keep them at least 12 inches away from anything that can burn, and remember to blow them out when you leave the room or go to bed.

Use candle holders that are sturdy, will not tip over and are placed on uncluttered surfaces. Avoid using candles in the bedroom where two of five U.S. candle fires begin or other areas where people may fall asleep. Lastly, never leave a child alone in a room with a burning candle.

According to NFPA, U.S. fire departments annually respond to an average of 250 structure fires caused by Christmas trees. Nearly half of them are caused by electrical problems, and one in four resulted from a heat source that is too close to the tree. Darby Military Community Fire Department offers the following advice for picking, placing and lighting the tree:

- If you have an artificial tree, be sure it is labeled, certified or identified by the manufacturer as fire-retardant.
- If you choose a fresh tree, make sure the green needles do not fall off when touched; before placing it in the stand, cut 1-2 inches from the base of the trunk. Add water to the tree stand, and be sure to water it daily.
- Make sure the tree is not blocking an exit, and is at least three feet away from any heat source, like fireplaces, space heaters, radiators, candles and heat vents or lights.
- Use lights that have the label of an independent testing laboratory, and make sure you know whether they are designed for indoor or outdoor use.
- Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords, or loose bulb connections. Connect no more than three strands of mini-string sets and a maximum of 50 bulbs for screw-in bulbs.
- Never use lit candles to decorate the tree.
- Always turn off Christmas tree lights before leaving the home or going to bed.
- Find information on your community Christmas tree recycling program.
- After Christmas, get rid of the tree. Dried-out trees are a fire hazard and should not be left in the home or garage, or placed outside the home.
- Bring outdoor electrical lights inside after the holidays to prevent hazards and make them last longer.

By following these fire prevention tips and measure, you can greatly reduce the risk of fire in your home, and enjoy a safe holiday season.

Darby ates

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

San Miniato Truffle fest

The 42nd annual *Mostra Mercato Nazionale del Tartufo Bianco di San Miniato* (The National San Miniato White Truffle Festival), transforms the city into a huge open-air tasting workshop. It will take place this year Nov. 17-18 and 24-25. The city hosts stalls and markets where people can buy and eat truffles, truffle specialties and also locally produced Tuscan products. The San Miniato market ensures the truffles are only good quality and that they are sold immediately after they are picked to preserve the perfume and taste. For more information call 0571-418739 or 0571-42745 or email soc.cons@cittadisaniminato.it

Beer Fest

The Beer festival will take place in Pisa Ospedaletto area EXPOPISA through Nov. 25 on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 7 p.m.-2 a.m. A taste of Bavaria is right around the corner.

DCC

As of Oct. 15, the Community Club is closed on Mondays. Tuesdays-Thursdays, the Club is open 5-10 p.m. On Fridays, the club opens at 3:30 p.m. and closes at midnight. Saturdays hours are 5 p.m.-midnight.

C.Y.S.S.

633-7629

- Open registration for Basketball and Cheerleading thru Nov. 30 at Parent Central Service in Bldg 730, 633-7681 or register online at: <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/Livornocyms.html>
- Parent Advisory Council Meeting Nov. 28, noon-1 p.m. at the Youth Center to discuss FY13 ICYSE Inspection, SY12-13 Fee Policy, CYSS Annual Survey and meet the new PAC President.



Quake assistance:

Army Field Support Battalion-Italy shipped 10,080 Hygiene Kits and 1,020 Kitchen Sets to Haiti in support of the people still suffering the effects of 2010 earthquake. The freight forwarder provided seven 20-foot containers for onward movement to the port of Livorno and shipment Nov. 5 to Port au Prince, Haiti.

Courtesy photo

MP ball:

Eight members of the 511th Military Police Platoon, Camp Darby, Italy traveled to Heidelberg, Germany, to attend the 71st Annual Military Police Ball Nov. 2. This is the first time several of the Soldiers had attended an MP ball. Darby Military Community MP's traveled further than any other MP unit within the 18th MP Brigade to attend the ball. [Click here to see more photos.](#)

Photo by Amy Drummond



Antique markets:

This Sunday in Padova, Verona and Soave are antique markets, with more than 50 vendors each. Asiago begins its Christmas market Saturday-Sunday from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 3-7 p.m.



Courtesy photo

Local events

Fiera dei Santi All Saints Festival:

Saturday-Sunday, in Arzignano, Corso Garibaldi, Piazza Libertà, Piazza Marconi, about 16 miles west of Vicenza. Food booths feature local specialties and wines; carnival rides, shows, performances, sports and live music. Downtown stores will be open on Sunday.

Festa de "La Cincionela co' la rava"

Sausage with turnip fest:

Saturday-Sunday, in Chiampo, Piazza about 16 miles west of Vicenza;

- ♦ Saturday: food booths open at 6 p.m.; 9-12 p.m. live music and entertainment

- ♦ Sunday: food booths open at 9 a.m.; 10:30 a.m. Vintage car rally departure; 9-10 p.m. rally award ceremony.

Il Fiero

Local products fair:

Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. in Vicenza, Campo Marzo, Viale Dalmazia; more than 60 booths featuring Veneto products and crafts; entertainment with street performers; games and shows for children.

Radioamatore 2

Radio Amateur Fair:

Saturday 9 a.m.-6:30 p.m. and Sunday 9 a.m.-6 p.m. in Pordenone, Viale Treviso 1, about 92 miles northeast of Vicenza. National exhibit of radio-equipment, Hi-Fi, electronics and information technologies. Ticket: €8,50; reduced €7 for children ages 13-18; free for children under 13.

Mito America

American Lifestyle Fair:

Saturday-Sunday 9 a.m.-8 p.m., in Padova, Via N.

Tommaseo, 59, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza. Ticket: €6; reduced €3 for children ages 13-18; free for children under 13.

Fiera dell'Olio Extravergine di Oliva

Extra Virgin Olive Oil Fair:

Sunday, 10:30 a.m.-8 p.m., in S. Urbano, Montecchio Maggiore, Piazzale delle Poste, about 7 miles southwest of Vicenza; exhibit and sale of new oil and wine, plus free bruschette tasting; at 2 p.m. free guided walk through the olive groves with refreshments.

Hiking and Wine Tasting 5 km Walk with Donkeys:

Sunday, 9 a.m. 3:30 p.m., Mossano, about 12 miles south of Vicenza; visit two Colli Berici wineries and archeological sites accompanied by an English speaking guide. Participation fee: €38; €10 for children younger than 10. In case of inclement weather, the event will be postponed.

Fiera di Santa Caterina Sagra del Mandorlato Saint Catherine and Almond Festival:

Nov. 25, in Santa Caterina (Lusiana)

Veronafil:

Stamps, coins, postcards, old prints, books, and collectors' items exhibit: Nov. 23-25, in Verona

Raffaello verso Picasso – Storie di sguardi, volti e figure

Raphael to Picasso:

Ongoing through Jan. 20, in Vicenza, Basilica Palladiana, Piazza dei Signori, Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-7 p.m.; Friday-Saturday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Saturday

9 a.m.-9 p.m. Portraits by Raphael, Botticelli, Tiziano, Caravaggio, Rembrandt, El Greco, Goya, Tiepolo, Manet, Van Gogh, and many other renowned painters.

Renoir – La vie en peinture Painting from life:

Ongoing through Dec. 16, in Pavia, Castello Visconteo, in Piazza Castello, Monday-Friday 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Sporting events

Thai Boxe (Boxing) Mania:

Nov. 24 in Torino

The American Wrestling Superstars:

Jan. 5 in Rimini

WWE Wrestlemania SmackDown Revenge Tour:

April 25 in Casalecchio di Reno (Bologna); April 26 in Trieste

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/> or <http://www.zedlive.com>.

Free concerts, exhibits, events

Concert choir:

Saturday, 8:45 p.m., in Bassano del Grappa, Chiesa San Vito, Via San Vito.

Piano Concert:

Sunday, 4:30 p.m., in Bassano del Grappa, Palazzo Sturm, Via Schiavonetti 7. Music by Mozart, Beethoven, and Schumann.

New generation jewels:

Vicenza, ongoing through Dec. 18, in Vicenza, ViaArt, Contrà del Monte 13, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday-Sunday 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 3-7 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday 3-7 p.m.

Raku exhibit:

Ongoing through Jan. 22, Vicenza, ViaArt, Contrà del Monte 13, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday-Sunday 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. & 3-7 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday 3-7 p.m. *Raku ceramic pottery is a Japanese technique used since the 16th century.

Concerts

Cirque Du Soleil — Alegria:

Thursday-Sunday in Assago (Milan)

Skunk Anansie: Monday in Assago (Milan)

Big Sean: Tuesday in Milan

Kris Kristofferson: Nov. 26 in Milan

Tech N9ne: Nov. 27 in Milan

Jethro Tull's Ian Anderson: Nov. 30 in Padova

Spirit of New Orleans — Gospel Choir: Dec. 20 in Lucca

Michael Jackson — The Immortal World Tour, Cirque du Soleil: Feb. 23-24 in Assago (Milan)

Walking with Dinosaurs: March 6-10 in Assago (Milan)

Tickets available in Vicenza at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center or at www.greenticket.it/

ODR trips

Ljubljana, Slovenia: Saturday

Thanksgiving in Amsterdam: Nov. 21-24

Thanksgiving at Romeo and Juliet's Castle: Nov. 22

Antique market in Milan: Nov. 25

Nice express and perfumery shopping: Dec. 1

Solden ski/snowboard trip: Dec. 1

Stubaital ski/snowboard trip: Dec. 8

Innsbruck and Christmas market: Dec. 8

Merano and Trento Christmas market: Dec. 9

Marmolada ski/snowboard trip: Dec. 15

Bolzano Christmas market and Vipiteno: Dec. 15

Gubbio and the World's Largest Christmas Tree: Dec. 16

Trips can be booked on WebTrac at <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil>

*All events listed on this page are as reported to the Outlook office by press time. All events and times are subject to change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.

Now Showing



Ederle Theater

Thursday	Expendables 2 (R)	6 p.m.
Friday	Paranorman (PG)	6 p.m.
	Odd Life of Timothy Green (PG)	9 p.m.
Saturday	Paranorman (PG)	3 p.m.
	Skyfall (R)*	6 p.m.
Sunday	Odd Life of Timothy Green (PG)	3 p.m.
	Skyfall (R)*	6 p.m.
Wed.	Paranorman (PG)	6 p.m.
Nov. 22	Breaking Dawn Part 2 (PG 13)*	6 p.m.
Nov. 23	Breaking Dawn Part 2 (PG 13)*	6 p.m.
	Lawless (R)	9 p.m.

Camp Darby Theater

Nov. 23	Man with the Iron Fists (R)*	6 p.m.
Nov. 24	Flight (R)*	6 p.m.
Nov. 25	Wreck it Ralph (PG)*	1 p.m.
Nov. 30	Lawless (R)	6 p.m.

Admission: *First run, adult, \$5.50, under 12, \$2.75; regular release, \$5/\$2.50; repeat releases, \$4.50/\$2.25; special pay \$3.50/\$1.75.

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News briefs

Thanksgiving at South of the Alps

The community is invited to celebrate Thanksgiving with a festive meal Wednesday at the South of the Alps Dining Facility.

Meal card holders may attend at no cost. **Family members of Soldiers E4 and below** pay \$6.40, **all others**, \$7.50.

Thanksgiving hours of operation

A variety of services will have reduced hours of service over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

- ♦ **Open Monday:** Commissary, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

- ♦ **Open Thanksgiving Day:** Arena Bowling, 4-10 p.m.; Strike Zone, 1 p.m. to 1 a.m.; Lion's Den, 4 p.m. to 2 a.m.; Shoppette, 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.;

- ♦ **Open Nov. 23:** Arena Bowling, 4-10 p.m.; Strike Zone, 1 p.m. to midnight; Lion's Den, 4 p.m. to 2 a.m.; Auto Skills Center, noon to 8 p.m.; CDC, Building 703, Villaggio, 5:45 a.m. to 6:15 p.m. (call 634-5700 to reserve hourly child care); CYSS admin office, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; AAFES Exchange, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Charley's Foodcourt, from 6:30 a.m.; Library, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Outdoor Rec, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Parent Central Services 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; School Age Center, 5:45 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.; Sports, Fitness & Aquatics, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Teen Center, 1-7 p.m.

- ♦ **Closed Nov. 22:** All AAFES facilities except the Shoppette, Commissary, Teen Center, CYSS administrative office, Parent Central Services, School Age Center, Villaggio CDC, Sports, Fitness & Aquatics, Outdoor Rec, Library, Auto Skills, Arts & Crafts.

- ♦ **Closed Nov. 22-23:** American Red Cross, ACS, Villaggio Youth Center, CDC Building 398, CYSS Sports and Fitness, FCC, Hired!, Tax Relief Office, Soldiers' Theatre.

Dental sick call hours

Dental sick call hours and active duty walk-in exams are available Monday through Wednesday and Friday from 8:30-10:30 a.m. and Thursday from 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Diabetes support group

The "Living Well with Diabetes" Support Group meets Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. in the Wellness Center, Building 112. This group is for anyone who has diabetes or a family member with diabetes. It provides a forum to

share successes and challenges, get support and interact with others. No registration necessary. Call 636-9533 or 0444-61-9533 for details.

Holiday mailing season

The Postal Service Center will be open Saturdays from Nov. 24 through Dec. 15, and Saturday Dec. 22 and Monday Dec. 24 for package pick-up only. Starting Nov. 27, Tuesday hours will be from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mail Space Available parcels by Nov. 26; Parcel Airlift Service parcels by Dec. 3; and Priority parcels and first class letters by Dec. 10. Express service is not available in Vicenza.

Cybersecurity poster contest winners

Congratulations to Vicenza Middle School sixth-grader Anna Mathena for taking first in the school's Cybersecurity Poster Contest. Classmates Jazmine Helvey and Danielle McHuges were runners up.

Cooking at the Arena

- ♦ Dress up for a Cowboys and Indians theme party at the Lion's Den Nov. 16 from 8 p.m. till closing.

- ♦ Steak Night at the Old Soldiers Bar Nov. 20 from 5-9 p.m. offers a Surf and Turf special for \$30 per person. Make reservation before Nov. 16 at 634-8293.

- ♦ Get a mix of movies, bowling and pizza Nov. 21-22 at Family Movie Night. Cost is \$29.95 for six.

- ♦ Youth bowling special Nov. 22 from 1-10 p.m. for the 18 and under crowd.

Arts & Crafts hours, events

New Art Center hours of operation are Tuesdays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Fridays and Saturdays from 10

a.m. to 6 p.m.

- ♦ Weave a day trip tote basket Friday in a beginner's class.

- ♦ Learn the basics of creating mosaics while making a coaster Dec. 6. Cost is \$15 and includes all supplies.

- ♦ Fondant Cakes, Level 1, meets Friday from 7-10 p.m.

- ♦ Introduction to picture framing takes place Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Become certified to use the framing studio and pursue custom framing.

- ♦ Beginning quilting on Tuesday will focus on making a tea-time quilt. The class meets every second Tuesday of the month from 5:15-7:15 p.m.

Call 634-7074 for more information about classes or register online at Web Trac.

AWAG volunteer training

AWAG will hold its Northern Italy Local Area Conference Dec. 6 at Aviano Air Base to promote volunteer recruitment, motivation and empowerment among spouses, civilians and servicemember volunteers. Register by Nov. 26 to participate. Child care will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. Email avianoawag@gmail.com for a registration packet.

Army Community Service

- ♦ It's that time of year to share in the holiday spirit by giving to a child through the Angel Trees at the Post Exchange and in the lobby of the ACS building. Drop off gifts in the box at the AAFES customer service area by Dec. 14. Call 634-7500 for details.

- ♦ The annual AFAP Conference will be held Nov. 26 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Nov. 27 from 9 a.m. 1 p.m. at the Golden Lion. Issue

submission forms are available at http://www.vicenzamwr.com/acs_afap.html.

- ♦ Make time for yourself with Meditation Monday every Monday at ACS from 12:15-12:45 p.m. No sign up necessary, just come a few minutes early to explore various forms of meditation in a quiet, safe and relaxing atmosphere. Bio-feedback "emWaves" devices are available for use during the session. For details call 634-6264.

Soldiers' Theatre

- ♦ The Music Café returns Friday at 7:30 p.m. Relax and enjoy the music in an intimate improvisational jam night. Call 634-7281 if you have questions about performing.

- ♦ A comedy club evening of sketches with an adult sensibility directed by Aaron Talley takes the stage Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Call 634-7281 or email gerald.s.brees.naf@mail.mil for tickets, which are \$10.

- ♦ Make reservations now for "That Holiday Feeling." Performances are Dec. 7-16, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Call 634-7281, stop by the theater or email gerald.s.brees.naf@mail.mil for tickets, which are \$12 for adults, \$10 for youth.

Native American Heritage

The Vicenza Military Community Equal Opportunity Office invites one and all to celebrate National Native American Heritage Month by viewing the book display at the Post Library through the end of the month.

Warrior Care Month

Currently about 10,000 wounded, ill or injured Soldiers are assigned to Warrior Transition Units and Community Based

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 a.m.: Protestant Women of the Chapel

5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice

Wednesdays

5:30 p.m.: PWOC Bible study. Dinner provided. No child care

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

Bahá'í Faith: Call Russell Menard at 389-133-4627 or 349-708-2535 or Giacomo Baravalle at 348-603-2283

Church of Christ: Call CW2 Michael Bickle at 345-469-9974 or 0444-335-135 or email vicenzaitalychurchofchrist@gmail.com

Islamic: Call 634-7519 (0444-71-7519)

Jewish: Call Paul Levine at 345-907-2108

Latter Day Saints: Sunday services, 9:30 a.m. in Vicenza. Call Chance Wilson at 327-869-8107 for details.

Call the Caserma Ederle Post Chapel at 634-7519 (0444-71-7519) for more information.



Photo by Laura Kreider

Be all you can be, drug free: Global Credit Union branch manager Sharon Black, from left, presents cash awards Nov. 8 to the winners of the "The Best Me Is Drug Free" Red Ribbon Week essay contest, Ramsey Schroeder, Tia Juliano and Sara Anderson as Vicenza High School Adolescence Substance Abuse Counselor Rosana Zapata looks on. [Click here](#) to see more photos.

DON'T BE LATE: Email briefs to editor@eur.army.mil by noon on Monday, or by 4 p.m. Friday if Monday is a holiday.

Mako Sharks host home meet, qualify for CHAMPS



Photo by Alicia Sendmeyer

Swimmers from the Mako Sharks team get prepared for a race held in Vicenza Nov. 4. Twelve members of the team qualified to travel later in the month to Belgium for the Long Distance CHAMPS meet.

By Lisa Borja

Mako Sharks Swim Team

The Vicenza Mako Sharks hosted their first meet of the season at the fitness center pool Nov. 4. There were 135 swimmers that included Vicenza, Aviano, Naples and Sigonella swim teams.

This meet was a first for some of the swimmers and the anticipation was thick as they warmed up for the meet. Hard work and perseverance paid off for the Sharks. It helped having coach Megan Eadus who believed that all of the swimmers have the potential to reach their goals. Whether it is on the pool deck or teaching from the water her drive to make the kids succeed is apparent.

The swimmers are not the only component of a swim meet that makes it successful. Volunteers make a meet happen, from coaches to concessions, silent auction to judges, swim team board to the timers, all played a part in making this swim meet happen. Soldiers showed up to help out the team without even having a direct connection to the team. The fitness center pool staff continually stands behind the program.

As of now the team has 10 swimmers qualified for CHAMPS held in Eindhoven, Netherlands, in February. The swimmers are: Zachary Borja, Anuk Dayaprema, Joseph Gall, Rima Gasparini, Shane Murrell, Ben Owens, Anna Pepper, Elizabeth Pepper, Gabriella Smith and Ainsley Talley. The team also will have a big showing at Long Distance CHAMPS which will be held in Antwerp, Belgium, in November. They are: Zachary Borja, Anuk Dayaprema, Selomi Dayaprema, Rima Gasparini, Brendon Green, Jacob Heath, Alyssa Leaverton, Jessica Maddox, Shane Murrell, Ben Owens, Conor Piskator, and Ainsley Talley.

Middle school sports

The Vicenza Middle School will be offering sports programs in wrestling and volleyball. Wrestling runs through Jan. 25, practicing Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays from 3-4:30 p.m. with meets Jan. 12 and 19. Students must have a 2.0 and no more than one "F" grade. Volleyball begins Nov. 27, with practices Tuesdays and Fridays from 3-4:30 p.m. Participants should be dressed appropriately, with no jewelry and knee pads are recommended. They should bring a bottle of water and healthy snack. Participants of both programs should have a physical, which can be scheduled at www.tricareonline.com or by calling 0444-61-9020.

Turkey Trot 5k

Join our Italian neighbors for the Turkey Trot 5k fun run which will be held at Lago di Fimon Saturday. Registration and check in is open at the race site 8-8:45 a.m. Cost is \$10 or €10 cash only. The first 75 participants to register will receive a T-shirt. This race is open to all ages. For more information call 634-7616 or visit the Fitness Center.

Indoor pool closing

The indoor pool will close through Friday for roof maintenance, repair and draining of the pool for filtration system cleaning.

CYSS sports

Enrollment for cheerleading (ages 6-15) and basketball (ages 3-5) is open through Dec. 7 or until spaces are filled. Practice begins Dec. 26 and the season runs Jan. 15-March 2. Enroll at Parent Central Services. Youth must have a health assessment valid through the end of the season. Call 634-6151 for more information.

Unit and rec play

Men's Soccer: Vicenza Post Soccer Team is currently looking for players. Practice is every Tuesday and Thursday from 7-9 p.m. at the Multi-Purpose Soccer Field behind the Ederle Inn. For more information contact Wilmer Aguilar (team captain) at 634-8638 or 335-698-1961, or email wilmer.aguilarcorea.mil@mail.mil.

CYBER: Bullying over computers at home

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come to the school. "They start fighting or have inappropriate exchanges in here, and then Ms. Kabonick will bring them in and find out there's been cyberbullying going on at home."

Gonzalez said, "From the home or sometimes from the community. We found out that some of them were accessing the Youth Center, the library ... but here we don't have that access. Here we just get what goes on at home."

Kenney said school administrators must find the right balance between protecting the educational endeavor of the school and respecting the due process rights of individual students.

Policing cyberbullying occurring outside is not the responsibility of the school, "But we also cannot ignore the situation if it's brought to our attention," she said. "If we find that it is happening in school, then we follow our consequence pattern, which can lead to detentions or suspensions. Because we just don't tolerate it," said Kenney.

"If students bring it to us, we can't ignore them either. All those things that happen at 9, 10 o'clock at night, and on the weekends: it's brought to our attention because we have the rule book," she said.

But sometimes incidents never reach the schools, Kenney said. Even so, the schools remain the center of young people's social lives, including their virtual socializing, and educators remain on alert for indicators of bullying, ready to intervene if necessary.

Kabonick said "We want kids to come out of school at the end of the school day and continue at home feeling good about themselves, their accomplishments and their friendships."



Photo by Julie M. Lucas

Birthright dedication: A plaque was recently dedicated in memorial of Dr. Frank V. Benincaso Nov. 1. Benincaso, a former Army doctor, volunteered many years at the Health Center in Vicenza. Benincaso's widow, Liliansa, was there for the unveiling, as well as a few of their children and grandchildren via Skype. [Click here to see more photos.](#)