

173rd Rear Detachment honors fallen Italian soldier

Story and photo
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173rd ABCT Rear Detachment PAO

Sky Soldiers from the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, paid their respects and assembled at Caserma Ederle's headquarters for a brief ceremony to honor an Italian Army's fallen soldier, June 27.

Carabinieri Manuele Braj was killed in Afghanistan, where he served as a volunteer, fighting to help bring security and stability to the Afghan people and help pave the way for future Afghans to have better lives and opportunities, said Italian liaison officer for 173rd ABCT, Capt. Alfonso Minella.

"The Italian Army's soldiers here at Caserma Ederle have always been superb about supporting the U.S. Army, whether it is in garrison or in forward deployed areas," said 1st Sgt. Timothy Jensen, noncommissioned officer in charge of the 173rd ABCT Rear Detachment.

According to Staff Sgt. Byron Begay, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 173rd ABCT Rear Detachment NCOIC, "When we as American Soldiers get a chance to support our brothers in arms, it's an important time to reflect and pay respect to those who have made the ultimate sacrifice."

Lt. Col. Brian McDonald, 173rd ABCT Rear Detachment commander said, "The

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Photo by Abby Vallery

Splash: A camper from Camp Adventure pours water on his head during water play Monday. For story and more photos, see page 4.

Kenyan-American runners represent U.S. Army in Olympic Trials

Story and photo by Tim Higgs
IMCOM Public Affairs

EUGENE, Ore. — The "Kenyan Connection" struck twice for the U.S. Army June 25, at the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Team Trials at historic Hayward Field.

U.S. Army World Class Athlete Program, or WCAP, distance runners Spc. Augustus Maiyo and Spc. Robert Cheseret, both Kenyan-Americans, advanced to the finals in the 3,000-meter steeplechase and 5,000 meters respectively.

Cheseret, 28, will cherish the unenviable task of challenging older brother Bernard Lagat, a 12-time medalist in the World Championships and Olympics, for the first time in the 5,000-meter finals, scheduled for June 28 at 7:38 p.m. PT.

The brothers lived together as youngsters in Kenya

and trained together in Tucson while Cheseret was running for the University of Arizona, but they have never competed together in a race.

"Oh, man, it's going to be exciting," said Cheseret, who finished fifth in the first heat of the 5,000-meter preliminaries with a time of 13 minutes, 49.42 seconds. "I haven't raced him. I only grew up to do what he has done."

"I've been trying to follow what he is doing. I'm going to race him in the finals and it's going to be exciting. It's going to be amazing."

Lagat, 37, is the most dominant distance runner in U.S. history. He is the American record holder in the 1,500 meters, mile, 3,000 meters, and 5,000 meters indoors, as well as the 1,500, 3,000 and 5,000 outdoors. He also is the Kenyan record holder at 1,500 meters outdoors. Lagat is a 12-time medalist in World

Championship and Olympic competition, including five gold medals.

"In training, we did almost everything together except for racing," Lagat said. He explained why the brothers' paths have never crossed at a track meet: "His schedule was different from mine, as a professional, and his as a collegiate athlete. When he finished running in college, he moved out to join the Army, and I was a professional doing my thing, so we never got to race together."

"This is the best thing ever because we are meeting together at the Olympic Trials in Eugene. We're just going to give the best we can for the finals. This is really exciting."

Maiyo's 8:29.29 clocking was the fourth-fastest time in two preliminary heats of the 3,000-meter

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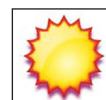
Camp Darby holds Vacation Bible School with 'Sky' theme



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IDOLS tour concert will be Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the track. Autographs will be signed at AAFES at 1 p.m.

QMP outlines guidance for Fiscal 2013

U.S. Army Europe PAO

HEIDELBERG, Germany — A new military personnel message from the Department of the Army, released June 28, outlines the guidance and procedures of the Qualitative Management Program for FY 2013.

The QMP will review Soldier's records in the ranks of sergeant first class through sergeant major for possible involuntary separation and be subjected to denial of continued service upon receipt of one of the following documents.

- General Officer Letter/Memorandum of Reprimand
- Conviction by court-martial or Article 15, UCMJ
- Relief for cause noncommissioned officer evaluation report

- Senior rater rating of fair or poor in the overall performance or potential block of an NCOER
- Annotation of "NO" in Army Values block of an NCOER
- Academic evaluation report indicating noncommissioned officer education system course failure

Soldiers that are identified by Human Resource Command will be informed through their chain of command that they are subject for consideration of denial of continued service. Soldiers will be afforded sufficient time and opportunity to submit a letter of reconsideration to the president of the board.

For more information about the FY 2013 QMP, go to <https://forums.army.mil/login>.

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leadership here is deeply moved by this loss and our hearts go out to the family of the fallen Italian soldier. He is a hero. This soldier gave his life doing his duty and ensuring that the Afghan people have a better future that offers security, liberty and better opportunities for future generations. This loss is significant and very costly. Any life lost is reason to pause and give a moment of silence and reflect."

Elements of the 173rd ABCT have a good working relationship with the Italian soldiers stationed here at Caserma Ederle.

"Soldiers understand when Soldiers in other Armies experience loss," Jenson said. "It is a universally understood sentiment and something that does not require a translator for."

According to McDonald, The war in Afghanistan has seen a variety of nation's support the International Security Assistant Forces over the years and the cost has been paid by heroic warriors such as Braj who chose to volunteer to do something very special with their lives. Being in theater, deployed and at risk is something rare that not all human beings can do or would do. Those who volunteer to put themselves in harm's way in order to help Afghans have a more peaceful, secure and successful life are a cut above. While we mourn with our Italian hosts here, we understand at the same time that those who lay down their lives in the name of freedom will never be forgotten.



Soldiers from the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team Rear Detachment pay tribute to a fallen Italian soldier, along with local Italian soldiers as the Italian flag flies at half staff.

Temporary shortage of dairy products on Caserma Ederle

USAG Vicenza PAO

On July 2, representatives from AAFES and DECA along with the Veterinary food inspector refused a delivery of fresh dairy products because it was not kept at a proper temperature in the truck's storage area, according to Susana Sobrino, Italy Consolidated Exchange Army and Air Force Exchange Service general manager.

"The product never made it to the shelf because of the diligence of our staff along with the vet that checks to make sure all shipment received meet the highest standard," said Sobrino.

"Fresh milk must be shipped

at temperatures below 40 degrees Fahrenheit otherwise harmful bacteria will grow and cause foodborne illnesses," said Kevin Robinson, DECA.

US Army Garrison Vicenza Commander Col. David Buckingham, adds that the garrison conducts stringent inspections on everything that is sold in order to ensure Vicenza Military Community members get only the best.

As a result of Monday's delivery refusal, there is a temporary shortage of milk, cheese, yogurt, sour cream and eggs at the food court, BK, the Shoppettes and commissary.

"We have also notified the contracting officer and the company to correct and receive an emergency shipment to

bring us back in stock and apologize to the community in advance for the temporary shortage," said Sobrino.

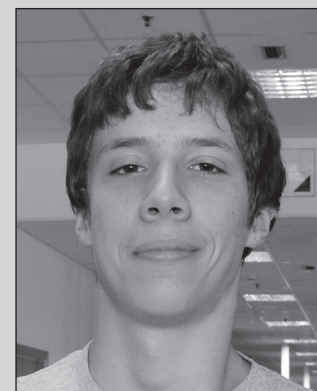
The shortage should begin to decline after Thursdays scheduled shipment.

"Until then, there are other milk options on hand that include organic, extended shelf life milk and shelf-stable UHT milk; UHT, which stands for ultra-high temperature processing, enjoys a typical shelf life of six to nine months before opened," said Robinson.

Vicenza Military Community members that want other fresh dairy products can buy them from off-post grocery stores or latte sfuso (non-pasteurized milk sold from a machine) in the interim.

Speak Out

What are you planning to do with your summer hire money?



Ben Owens
Fitness Center

"Donating some of it to charity; spend the rest on music."



Alaina Scott
Post library

"I plan on using the money for college."



Jessica McCollum
Postal Service Center

"I plan on using it for school funds, such as tuition, books and supplies."

By Laura Kreider

PMO: Home-security assessments can prevent burglaries

Story and photo by David Ruderman
USAG Vicenza Public Affairs

Editor's note: This is the second in a three-part series about the U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza Provost Marshal's office.)

You come home in the evening, park your car and head for the front door only to discover four terra-cotta tiles neatly chiseled loose and missing from the walkway to your house. What do you do?

That was the enigma that Lt. Col. Eric Lewis of Vicenza Health Clinic encountered June 20 when he returned to his off-post house in Torri di Quartesolo. Was it a prank? A petty theft? A warning?

Whatever the motive, Lewis had the right response. He called the USAG-Vicenza Provost Marshal's office and requested an on-site security assessment to ascertain what had happened and, more importantly, determine what he and his Family might do to ensure their home was secure against break-in and theft.

Off-post security assessments are a matter of concern to the garrison since the majority of the military community population resides off-base, and not just in Villaggio, said USAG Vicenza Provost Marshal Robert G. Trojanowski.

Within a week, Lewis welcomed Andrea Terrell, physical security officer with the garrison's Directorate of Emergency Services, into his home for a look at the mystery and an overview of the residence's security situation.

Terrell proceeded to investigate the house, assessing security measures and points of entry for vulnerabilities. He also checked the external gate buzzer and the front yards and gate locks of several houses up and down the street to see if there were some sign of forced entry at another house, but found nothing.

"The normal stuff that we look for, Sir, you've got it all: gates, doors, even sensors," said Terrell.

But it turned out the Lewises had turned their sensors off following the acquisition of a new cat.

"When we got the kitten, we got a call that the alarm was going off, and it immediately clicked that: 'Oh, the cat!' We don't use it because it (the cat) sets it off, and I don't know how to change it," said Lewis.

Terrell checked the system, the sensors deployed near doors and windows. "You

cannot beat that alarm," said Terrell. "I mean, you can beat it, but it's one of the best things going, when it's turned on."

Terrell's suggestion was to look into restricting the cat's roaming space during the day to an interior room or two where there were no sensors that it could activate.

"We can turn the alarm back on. That advice is probably very sound now. I'm going to talk to my wife about that and I'm sure she'll feel better, because we had ... gotten a little lazy, I guess is a good way to put it, since the alarm went off that time," said Lewis.

"One thing I didn't look at, your doors: do you have the deadbolts?" asked Terrell.

As it turned out, Lewis did not. Terrell went to check the front door locks.

Consistently locking doors and windows, activating alarms and lights, and deploying any additional security devices can be key to preventing intrusions and theft, said Terrell.

"I do remember all the stuff that was briefed at the initial inprocessing, so as soon as I saw that (the tiles were gone) I went and looked for paint and different symbols or anything," said Lewis.

Some may be skeptical of reports of gang or gypsy symbols used by burglars, but there is good cause to take them seriously, said Terrell.

"It's real, it's definite," said Terrell. "It's real in the sense that people do walk around surveilling, they use a really deliberate style. It's not, 'Well, let me go steal something,' like we would think in the States, you know, the more unsophisticated thieves. They have a plan and they have a system which they use. They're patient, they take their time, and normally when they come in, they come in for a particular thing.

"A lot of people think it's electronics, but really they like jewelry. They come in for jewelry. Initially, they come in, grab jewelry, because it's quick and they can also get rid of it quick, and it doesn't take a big bag or anything to do what they have to do," Terrell said.

Preventive security assessments are typically conducted as part of the pre-lease negotiating process with a prospective landlord, said Terrell.

"It only takes about 45 minutes to an hour to do a quick walk through the home, identify potential areas that may



Andrea Terrell, left, USAG-Vicenza DES physical security officer, and Lt. Col. Eric Lewis check front door bolts at Lewis' residence in Torri di Quartesolo June 26.

require some strengthening or some additional measures to improve the security of the home. It's done as a free community service through the Provost Marshal's office," said Trojanowski.

Terrell said, "A lot of times we say, first try to negotiate. That's where you can get the landlord to do it for you; and then secondly, just like anybody else, just kind of work with your housing representative.

"And then last, but not least, if you don't like a home's security posture, if you're totally not satisfied — it's never out of line to say I'm going to move on to another quarters," he said.

"This is slightly different here, given this is not a break-in assessment, it's not a pre-move-in. ... But the good part about it is the guy's has a good relationship with the landlord. A lot of the time the (younger Soldiers), the first thing they're ready to do is head for the hills — 'I need to get into Villaggio' and things like that — and that's not always the answer. You would be leaving a nice setting, where the wife is comfortable and I would imagine the kids are comfortable and the neighbors are nice."

Meanwhile, the disappearance of the tiles remained a mystery.

"The best thing to do is to take notice of it, like you did, and let some people come and see," said Terrell. His bottom

line for Lewis: turn the motion detection alarm back on and stay alert for any further oddities or irregularities.

"In the last two months (in May) we've had three break-ins, all from different particular locations ... not necessarily in the same location, and in most cases not necessarily military or American targeting. A couple of them, there were multiple break-ins or thefts in that area at that particular time," said Terrell.

"A lot of them are preventable. In several of the cases, most of the things that needed to be taken care of were taken care of, secured, but it was one or two things that were left open, and these guys are professional thieves so they look for those particular things, and any vulnerability, they identify it and they take advantage of it.

"That's why we're out here doing these things," he said. "To make people aware of some of the small things that may be overlooked that they should start paying attention to."

Two days after Terrell's visit and assessment, the residence of one of Lewis' neighbors was burglarized during the night. No one was injured, and the residents were unaware they had been robbed until the next morning, when the owner discovered his wife's purse, emptied of its cash, in the front yard.

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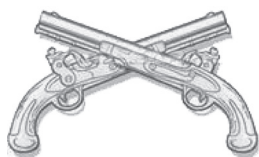
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Provost Marshal's corner

Community policing program

Community members are reminded that all vehicles parked or operated on all installations or public areas are required to be legally registered at all times.

The Carabinieri and the Provost Marshal's Office remind you that whether you are at home or abroad, the license plates must remain on the vehicle and the insurance cannot expire or it will be towed and a fine issued.

To avoid situations like this community members should utilize authorized vehicle storage or a private garage to house the vehicle for the duration of their absence.

Community members are reminded to not park on crosswalks. The PMO is aware of limited parking spaces on all installations. Any vehicles found illegally parked on a crosswalk will be cited immediately.

This is not only a legal issue, it is a safety issue as well. Caserma Ederle and Villaggio are high foot-traffic areas and need safe zones for crossing the street. By blocking these pathways you are putting the public at risk for your personal convenience.



Camp Adventure invigorates children



A Camp Adventure participant hula hoops to a song during Dance Dance Revolution time Monday. Around 80-100 local military children attend the day camp.

Story and photos by Abby Vallery

Outlook intern

If your children come home this summer talking about Top Chef, CSI and Willy Wonka don't be concerned — those are just some of the different camps offered during Adventure Camp at the School-Age Center.

Camp Adventure is a program offered to military children by traveling counselors. Nicole Watanabe, Camp Adventure director said this program can be a fun and exciting event for children during the summer.

"The reason I got involved is because it's a chance to give back to my country," she said. "Our goal here is to help the children's realities and expectations. To help them remember each moment that will last a lifetime."

The program has around 80-100 children each day led by six counselors. The campers, ages ranging between 6-12 years old, are broken into groups by age. They are currently in their second week of camp with different themes and corresponding activities. The popularity of the program has led to a daily wait list.

"Camp Adventure brings a breath of fresh air into our summer camp programs. Though the days are long and hot, the enthusiasm and vivacity of the Camp Adventure interns helps to motivate and energize the CYSS staff," said Alexa Simmons, Child, Youth and School Services program operations specialist.

The day begins with a Blitz, which are songs and dancing to get the campers excited for the day. Other activities include family time where bonding in small groups happens. Trust building occurs with others and the camp counselors and the children learn initiatives for the theme of the week. They learn to take leadership roles in themselves and throughout the camp as well.

"We have small groups, specialty clubs and field trips in the afternoons," Watanabe said.

Mondays and Fridays activities include water play and Dance Dance Revolution. Swimming and bowling are Tuesdays and Thursdays and Wednesdays is for field trips.

"One of the most popular activities with the kids is the songs and family time," Watanabe said.

The counselors come from all over the world and are college students, most of whom are working toward teaching degrees.

"This has been one of the nicest places we have been," Watanabe said. "Everyone has been so nice to us and we are all enjoying our time here."

The Camp Adventure program runs from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the School Age Center in Villaggio and will end just before school begins. The School Age Center is open from 6 a.m.-6 p.m. They can be reached at 0444-71-5700.



Joshua Moldenhauer plays with a toy during free time at Camp Adventure. Other activities include water play, field trips and mini-camps.

Darby Military Community

Sky theme during Vacation Bible School

Story and photos
by Chiara Mattiolo
Darby Military Community Public
Affairs

The simple title "Sky" is the 2012 theme of Vacation Bible School taught that everything is possible with God and where sky is a metaphor for trusting God.

Vacation Bible School was held June 27-29 at Camp Darby. The Sky program offered a great opportunity for kids to experience Bible stories in new meaningful ways.

"This great experience sees the participation of 36 children and 31 volunteers," said Karen Spitzer, Vacation Bible School director. "We worked hard for the last three months in organizing and planning, but now that the VBS is running and everyone is having fun while learning, everything looks much easier."

The program offered three days of an intense schedule, where the kids were divided into groups, and performed different activities, from arts and crafts to singing, reading and games.

Spitzer explained that it is important for the children to have fun while learning.

"This is the next generation of leaders in our country," said Spitzer. "It is important that we teach them to have a strong relation with God to help them find a light in their darkness."

Jasmine Pierce said, "During VBS I met my new friend Alicia. Also, my sister is my friend and I learned to respect and love them even more."

According to Spitzer the focus of the program is to enforce a positive attitude, reinforce relationship building with adults, other kids and God.

"I learned that everything is possible if you trust God," said Ana Phillips. "I learned how to make a butterfly with paper clips, hair band and paper and this represents God's creations."

This is a curriculum built around the concept of trusting God and takes kids into the sky as its setting. Decoration ideas include clouds, kites, airplanes, and more.



Above, the simple title "Sky" is the 2012 theme of Vacation Bible School held at Camp Darby June 27-29 teaching that everything is possible with God. The program offered three days of an intense schedule, where the kids are divided into groups, and perform different activities, from arts and crafts to singing, reading and games. At left, Camp Darby children participating in the Vacation Bible School 2012 held at Camp Darby June 27-29, dance and sing together before they take part in the various programmed activities.

Darby Dates

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

Intermural Beach Volleyball 633-7438

Put your 3-4 person teams together for the upcoming beach volleyball season at the American Beach in Tirrenia. Games are Wednesday evenings from June 27-July 25 with an end of season tournament to follow. Free entrance and parking for players. Register at the gym.

Open Market in Forte dei Marmi
Every Wednesday and Sunday a very famous market takes place in Forte dei Marmi, Lucca.

This market is for people who love shopping. Here it is possible to find nice products at a good price and also famous brands.

Early Music Tuscan Festival

The Early Music Tuscan Festival celebrates its 17th edition from June 29-July 31. Performances are going to be held in Cascina, Crespina, Pisa, Riparbella and Vicopisano. The program includes music by Bach, Handel, Scarlatti, Pergolesi and Vivaldi.

Pine Nuts Festival in San Piero a Grado - Pisa

A Pine Nut Festival will take place July 6, 7, 8, 14, 15 & 16 July in San Piero a Grado - Pisa.

The festival will offer pine nut based recipes and traditional dishes.

It will be enlivened with music, karaoke and stands in the Basilica surroundings where the biological pine nut from the Nature Park of Migliarino, San Rossore e Massaciuccoli, is going to be presented. For more information go to www.sanpieroagrado.it.

Outdoor Recreation 633-7775

Hiking trip San Rossore: San Rossore is a nature park situated on the outskirts of Pisa. Spend the day hiking along various trails to experience the local wildlife and forest.

ITR 633-7589

- ◆ Pisa and Lucca, July 2
- ◆ Venice, July 3
- ◆ Rome, July 5

Religious Activities 633-7267

11:15 a.m. Protestant worship
5 p.m. Catholic Mass

Photos posted daily at
<http://www.usag.livorno.army.mil>.
To view more photos go to
<http://www.flickr.com/photos/campdarby/>

Wheat threshing:

The festival held in Rosà, about 21 miles northeast of Vicenza, features a parade of antique farm vehicles and wheat threshing demonstrations. The festival also features food booths and live music.



Courtesy photo

Local events

Wheat Threshing Festival:

Friday-Monday, in Rosà, about 21 miles northeast of Vicenza, Food booths open at 7 p.m.

- Friday: 8 p.m. dance show; 9:15 p.m. live music and dancing with I California Band

- Saturday: 8 p.m. traditional dances performed by Ballincontra Group; 9:15 p.m. live music and dancing with Marco & I Niagara

- Sunday: food booths open at 9 a.m.; 10 a.m. parade of antique farm vehicles; 5 p.m. wheat threshing demonstration; 2 p.m. traditional games; 5:30 p.m. entertainment with Clown Bistecca; 9 p.m. live music and dancing

- Monday: 9 p.m. live music and dancing with Checco & La B. Band; 9:30 p.m.

Gnocchi and Beer Festival - Gnock'n'Roll:

Friday-Sunday, in Poleo (Schio), about 23 miles north of Vicenza. Food booths featuring gnocchi, bigoli, grilled meat, beers and much more open at 7 p.m.

- Friday: 9:30 p.m. live Latin-American music and dancing with DJ Mihavena and Salsamerika Band

- Saturday: 9 p.m. disco music night with Divertida Band

- Sunday: 9:30 p.m. entertainment with Giusy Zenere and music with DJ Marco

Beer Festival:

Friday-Sunday, in Caltrano, Via San Lorenzo, about 24 miles north of Vicenza. Food booths open at 7 p.m.

- Friday: 9 a.m. live music with CB Band

- Saturday: 6 p.m. music and entertainment with DJ Glamn; 9 p.m. live rock with Rockpuntoit Band

Saint Barnaba and Cyclamen walk:

Friday-Sunday, in Laghi, about 14 miles north of Vicenza. Charity raffle and Laghi historical photos exhibit.

- Friday: 8:30 p.m. food and beer booths open; 9:30 live rock music with Enigma Band

- Saturday: 7:30 p.m. food booths open; 8:30 p.m. live music and ballroom dancing with Fiorella

and Denis Orchestra

- Sunday: 8-9 a.m. 4-7-15-22 Cyclamen non-competitive walk. The €2,50 registration fee includes refreshments; €7,50 includes also a walk keepsake; 11:30 a.m. live music with Il Rosso Tirol Band; food booths open at noon and at 7 p.m.; 8:30 p.m. live music and dancing with Graziano Maraschin Orchestra; 11 p.m. charity raffle drawing; 11:15 p.m. fireworks

Lonigo festival – live music, dancing and shopping:

Thursday-Friday, 9 -12 pm. in Lonigo, about 18 miles southwest of Vicenza. In Piazza Garibaldi tribute to Beathers with Carlo Poddiche Band; food booths feature fish and chips and English beers; country and Latin-American music and dancing on Via Ognibene; fashion shows in Piazza Matteotti; dance shows on Via Roma; Vespa Club Rally, food booths and music in Parco Ippodromo; stores open until midnight.

Fimon Festival:

Friday-Monday, in Arcugnano, Fimon, Via Fontanelle 2, about 7 miles south of Vicenza. Food booths featuring local specialties open at 7 p.m.; music and entertainment start at 9 p.m.; charity raffle.

- Friday: live Latin-American music and dancing with Alma Latina Band

- Saturday: live music and dancing with Anna and Group 2

- Sunday: live music and ballroom dancing with Monica Viola Orchestra

- Monday: live music and ballroom dancing with Graziano Maraschin Orchestra

Beer Fest:

Thursday-Monday, in Pavarano, Campiglia dei Berici, about 19 miles south of Vicenza. Food booths and live rock music start at 8:30 p.m.

San Luigi Fair:

Saturday-Tuesday, in Noventa Vicentina, Piazza IV Novembre, about 21 miles south of Vicenza. Food booths open at 7 p.m. and live music and dancing at 9 p.m.

Watermelon Festival:

Friday-Saturday, in Giavenale (Schio), Via Giavenale di Sopra, about 16 miles northwest of Vicenza. 7 p.m. food booths.

- Friday: Svitols – 8 p.m. Beatles Tribute

- Saturday: from 3 p.m. London + blues live music

- Monday: live music and dancing with Sergio & Le Melodie Orchestra. Fireworks at 11:30 p.m.

San Teobaldo Festival:

Friday-Monday, in Sossano, Villa Gazzetta, Piazza Mazzini 2, about 17 miles south of Vicenza. Indoor food booths open at 7 p.m.; carnival rides and charity raffle; concerts and dancing start at 9 p.m.

- Friday: country night with DJs Luce and Nike

- Saturday: live music and ballroom dancing with Gigio Vantino Orchestra

- Sunday: live music and

FREE concerts, exhibits & events

Workout classes:

In Vicenza, Retrone Park, Via Malvezzi, ongoing through Aug. 4 and Aug. 20-Sept. 7; Mondays and Wednesdays, 7 – 8 p.m. ; Querini Park, ongoing through Sept. 7: Tuesday, 7-8 p.m., boot camp workout; Wednesdays, 6-7 p.m. rumba; Thursdays, 6-7 p.m., abs, legs and gluteus workout; Fridays, 7-8 p.m., cardio toning workout.

Thai Chi, Zumba, and Jazzercise classes:

In Thiene, Villa Fabris, Via Trieste 43, about 13 miles north of Vicenza, ongoing through August 31, Mondays and Wednesdays, 7:45 – 8:45 p.m. From July 17 to Aug. 31 morning lessons Tuesdays and Thursdays 9-10 a.m.

Lyric Concert – Verdi's music:

Thursday, 8:45 p.m. in Vicenza, Contrà de Proti 5.

I Remember Marilyn Monroe – photo, sculpture and memorabilia exhibit:

Friday through August 10, in Bassano del Grappa, Il Sagittario bookstore, Piazzotto Montevicchio 24, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza; 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; closed on Mondays.

Singing Contest:

Saturday, 9 p.m. in Romano d'Ezzelino, Piazzale Chiesa, about

26 miles north of Vicenza. The contest is free and open to everyone. You can sign up on Saturday or send an email to grappavalbrenta@libero.it. In case of inclement weather conditions, the event will take place in a nearby theater.

Socorock:

Thursday-Sunday, 9:30 p.m., in Grisignano di Zocco, Parco Tesinella Sud, Via Pioppi, about 13 miles southeast of Vicenza.

- Thursday: Mothership – Led Zeppelin Tribute Band and Minerva – Grunge Alternative Rock

- Friday: Derozer Punk Rock Band and Duracel Punk Rock Band

- Saturday: Barracuda – U.K. rock band

Concerts

Billy Idol: Saturday in Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova)

Sting: Tuesday in Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova)

Wolfmother: Wednesday in Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova)

Anastacia: July 12 in Codroipo (Udine)

J-Ax: July 13 in Genova

ODR trips

Slovenian beach: Saturday

Jesolo beach: Sunday

White water rafting: July 14

Water sports at Lake Garda: July 15

Caorle Beach: July 18

Monaco and Monte Carlo Express: July 21

Sea kayaking: July 21

Portofino: July 22

Paragliding: July 22

Valpollicella olive and wine brunch: July 25

Hike Mount Pasubio: July 28

Bernina Express to Switzerland: July 28

Sea kayaking: July 29

Waterpark Paradise Island: Aug. 5

Trieste, Grado and Aquileia: Aug. 8

Trips can be booked on WebTrac at <https://webtrac.mwr.army.mill/webtrac/Vicenzarectrac.html> or by following the WebTrac link on www.vicenzaMWR.com or at ODR.

Now Showing



Ederle Theater

Thursday	The Five-Year Engagement (R)	6 p.m.
Friday	The Pirates! Band of Misfits (PG)	6 p.m.
	Safe (R)	9 p.m.
Saturday	Madea's Witness Protection (PG 13)*	3 p.m.
	Raven (R)	6 p.m.
Sunday	Madea's Witness Protection (PG 13)*	3 p.m.
	Safe (R)	6 p.m.
Wed.	The Amazing Spiderman (PG 13)*	6 p.m.
July 12	The Amazing Spiderman (PG 13)*	6 p.m.
July 13	Think Like a Man (PG 13)	6 p.m.
	Dark Shadows (PG 13)	9 p.m.

Camp Darby Theater

July 13	Think Like a Man (PG 13)	6 p.m.
June 14	Seeking a Friend for the End ... (R)*	6 p.m.
July 15	Brave (PG)*	1 p.m.
July 20	What to Expect When Expecting (PG 13)	6 p.m.

Admission: *First runs, age 12 and older, \$5, younger than 12, \$2.50
Regular release, \$4.50/\$2.25 Special pay \$3/\$1.50

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.afes.com/ems/euro/livorno.htm

Special events

♦ Is your spouse deploying? Sign up for the Family and MWR Blue Star Card to receive special discounts at MWR facilities, plus opportunities to get together with other spouses who have your same interests in the "Vicenza 40 Excuses" groups and receive an invitation to monthly social events planned just for Blue Star Card holders. You will also qualify for Army Family Covenant free child care if you are a registered member of CYSS. Download the application http://www.vicenzamwr.com/pdfs/FMWR/2012_BlueStar_Application.pdf and bring it with a copy of your orders to Parent Central Services to pick up your Blue Star Card.

♦ Armed Forces Entertainment brings the IDOLS World Tour to Vicenza Tuesday. The stars were on seasons 10 and 11 and include; Jovany Barreto, Aaron Marcellus, Nick Boddington, Lauren Turner, Haley Johnsen, Creighton Fraker, Janelle Arthur and Ashthon Jones. The performance will be on the Sports Track & Field at 8 p.m. If you would like to meet the stars they will have an autograph session at AAFES that afternoon at 1 p.m.

CYSS

♦ Home Alone training for parents and youth ages 11-18 will be held July 9, 5:30-7 p.m. Then there are workshops for youth only July 10 and 12, 2-4 p.m. Parents must attend the first workshop to enroll youth in the two following workshops. All workshops will be held at the CDC 703 conference room. Call 634-7206.

♦ Triathlon Clinic is Monday-July 13, for ages 8-18 years. The cost is \$20 and there are still some slots available. The youth will compete on July 13 in Villaggio. Call 634-6152 for details.

♦ Spaces are still available in the Middle School/Teen summer camps. Visit www.vicenzamwr.com to view the activities; enroll in Parent Central Services or online at WebTrac. Weeks 6-10 open for enrollment on July 9. For more information call PCS at 634-7219.

♦ Fall Soccer enrollment period is July 16-Aug. 3. If you are leaving for the summer you can enroll on line using Web Trac from anywhere in the world with just your user name and password. For help call 634-7206.

♦ Summer Hires, come and enjoy lunch at the teen center 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. It's free and you'll enjoy games and fun with your friends and save your money for other things. Call 634-7659.

EFMP

♦ EFMP Families enjoy some modern dance planned just for you! Dance instructor Kristen Jeppson Groves will be on hand to guide you. Siblings are welcome to join in the fun. It's free but call 634-8682 to let them know you are planning on attending.

Arena

♦ A Day at the Lanes is fun for the kids and easy and affordable for

you! Bowling is \$3 for one hour per child or 2 hours for \$5, and shoe rental is included. Plus you have a choice of value meals for only \$4. Choose two slices of pizza and a 12 oz soda or a hot dog and fries plus the soda. Offer is valid Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. until August 31. For more information about summer bowling specials visit www.vicenzaMWR.com.

♦ Calling all school age kids! Beat the heat all summer long with the Kids Summer Bowling Special, Monday thru Friday 11 a.m.-6 p.m. School age kids can bowl for \$1 per game and the shoes are free. Offer good June 1-Aug. 31.

Mosquito spraying in Villaggio

Spraying for mosquitoes in Villaggio will be conducted on the following days: July 19, Aug. 2, Aug. 30 and Sept. 20 between 7-9 p.m. This is routine, but outdoor activities should be cancelled on these days. Children and pets should be kept inside with doors and windows closed. In case of rain, the treatment will be rescheduled.

U.S. Army Health Center

The U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza mammography department announces a "Walk-In Wednesday" initiative July 25. Women ages 40 and older may walk in to the radiology department on that day to have a mammogram performed without scheduling an appointment. The American Cancer Society recommends a yearly screening mammogram for women ages 40 and older. This is an ideal time for busy women who would like to get a mammogram but haven't had time to schedule it. It's also an opportunity for women who have had a mammogram ordered by their health care provider but haven't yet done it. Just come to the radiology department check-in desk on the first floor of the health center July 25, between 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Do not use underarm deodorants, perfumes, gels or other products on the chest/breast area until after the

screening is finished. Call 0444-61-9614 for more information.

CTC Registration

Central Texas College's Term 5 registration has begun. Face to face classes consist of a an Early Childhood course called CDEC 2341: The School Aged Child on Saturdays from July 21-Aug. 11. For more information, call 634-6514, email vicenza@europe.ctcd.edu, or visit room 6 in the Education Center.

Single Soldier retreat

A Single Soldier Strong Bonds retreat will be held July 16-18 at Edelweiss Lodge and Resort. This event is free and is open to all units on Caserma Ederle. To register contact the chapel at 634-6454.

Arts and Crafts Center

♦ Fabric Sale 40-percent off. Stop by and check out what might meet the needs of your project.

♦ Jazz up your hair bow collection learning to make two basic styles for you, your daughter or any special gal. Sessions are offered July 13 or July 21.

♦ Youth Mosaics is July 18 from 2-4 p.m. Learn the basics of mosaics in this fun and simple two hour class while making a mosaic coaster for ages 6 and up

♦ Partnering up with CYSS and Parents' Night out, the Art Center is hosting a Scrapbooking Night just for you July 20. Bring your unfinished projects or one you have been wanting to start and enjoy our space while chatting with others. Use of the space and scrapbooking materials is just \$2.50 per hour. Prior registration required for time you wish, from 2 hours up to all 5.

Library

♦ Sign up for this year's Summer Reading Program "Reading is so Delicious!" runs through July 31. Children ages 3-5 meet on Wednesdays, 11 a.m.-noon. Children ages 6-11 meet on Tuesdays 11 a.m.-noon. Teens also can participate by reading one book per

week at their own pace and filling out an entry form. Entry forms will be entered in the prize drawing on July 31 and the year end party. For more information visit www.vicenzaMWR.com or call 634-7291.

Health Assessment appointments

School physicals will be Aug. 14 and Aug. 21 at the Vicenza Pediatric Health Clinic for ages 5 and up by appointment only. Forms are available at CYS registration and the high school office or online and must be filled out and signed before appointment.

A shot record is necessary. These appointments are not for patients with chronic medical conditions such as asthma or ADHD. Children ages 14 and older may be unaccompanied. To register call 0444-61-9000 or go online to www.tricareonline.com.

PWOC

The Protestant Women of the Chapel will begin their Summer Study Series through July 17, 10-11:30 a.m. in the chapel activity room. The choices include: Espresso with Esther by Sandra Glahn; Loving God and Loving Others: The Heart of True Faith by Kay Arthur; Tuned In: Hearing God's Voice Through The Static by Jen Hatmaker.

Computer training

The 509th Signal Battalion and the Army Europe Information Technology Training program offers training to all customers of the 509th area of responsibility. Current course offerings, which begin at 8 a.m. in building 372 are: July 9-13 - Win7 Desktop Support Technician, Aug. 6-10 - Information Management Officer Certification. The entire 509th Signal Battalion customer base will migrate to Windows 7 by June 30.

To sign up, contact your Unit/Org Training Coordinator or michael.k.gauthier.civ@mail.mil/634-6077.



Photo by Laura Kreider

Paint the pot: Maj. Katrina Gawlik, 414th Combat Support Battalion, paints a teapot as part of the "Paint Your Own Pottery," one of the activities offered at the Arts and Crafts Center June 30. For assistance, see an Arts and Crafts Center staff. Glazing fees include glaze, studio usage and firing. For info about this activity and other upcoming summer courses including Magazine Basket and Printing on Fabric call 634-7074 or visit the center.

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

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

Jewish: Call Paul Levine at 345-907-2108

Latter Day Saints: Call Chance Wilson at 327-869-8107. Sunday services, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Viale Trento 246, Vicenza

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

DON'T BE LATE: Email briefs to julie.m.lucas.civ@mail.mil by noon on Monday, or by 4 p.m. Friday if Monday is a holiday.

TRIALS: Army runner qualifies for Olympics



Spc. Robert Cheseret, right, qualifies for the 5,000-meter final by finishing in the top six June 25 at the U.S. Track and Field Olympic Trials in Eugene, Ore.

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steeplechase. He coasted across the finish line in fourth place in the fastest heat.

"The first two laps, I felt it was going hard," Maiyo said. "At the middle is when I started settling in, I guess. From there, my mileage carried me because I have been running a lot. On the gun lap, I knew I could hang on with those guys. That's when I decided to get to number three. It's exciting to get to the finals, but I don't have a lot of expectations.

"I came just to enjoy the race, not to add pressure to it. I just wanted to see where I am with these guys."

Without WCAP, Maiyo would not have been in Eugene for the Olympic Trials.

"When I graduated from Alabama, I didn't want to run any more," said Maiyo, who took nearly a three-year break from the track. "When I joined the Army, they gave me the chance, so I started running again last year."

Maiyo is happy just to be running in the final tonight.

"I don't have any plans," he said. "I'll just decide what to do when I get on the track. That's the best way to find out.

"Sometimes if you set higher goals, you might get pressure. I don't like running under pressure. If I was meant to go to the Olympics, then I will go. For the finals, I do want to run my seasonal best, and that might get me somewhere. I can do it. I am fit."

Cheseret was harder pressed to make the 5,000-meter final. With 200 meters remaining in his qualification heat, no less than eight runners had a shot at six guaranteed spots in the final.

"I had to push a little bit harder," Cheseret said. "It was almost like an all-out sprint because I saw three guys out there and there were three more guys next to me. I wanted to be in the top six so I had to sprint all the way through to the line.

"The last 600 (meters), the race started to pick up, and I knew that six automatically qualify, so I was trying to count three guys ahead of me and to make sure two more people didn't pass me. I tried to stay relaxed as much as possible."

"It was a little bit of a quick pace for me today," added Cheseret, who exhibited the ability to move from the rear of the field to the front and vice versa in a matter of meters. "The pace surprised me, because with two laps to go, it went like that quick," he said with a snap of his fingers. "I had to start to pick it up. It was a little bit hard to get back to the front."

Lagat said he cannot do anything to help Cheseret to the front in the finale.

"This is going to be every man for himself," Lagat said. "I wish I could do that. If it was a semi and you just wanted to get a time, you could easily say 'Let me help my brother here.' But it's a little hard when you're also trying to make that team. This is my fourth Olympics, and if I just miss now, that's it.

But my brother has a chance in 2016 because he is still young.

"I hope my brother will be up there. I hope when it comes down to that kick, that he will be able to hold onto that because he doesn't have the A standard. Then we have to have the race go fast so my brother can get in (the Olympics)."

Lagat said he cannot control that, either.

"I cannot push the pace because I have to make sure I have enough for the end," Lagat said. "If you asked my brother to do that, he would say yes because he's an Army man and he always knows you have to be there for your fellow colleague. For me, I'm like, 'Hey, every man on himself.'"

Brotherhood aside, Cheseret will face one of the strongest 5,000-meter fields in the world tonight.

"I feel great just to make it to the finals," Cheseret said. "My coach told me not to worry about anything else. Just worry about making the finals and when we get to the finals, we'll worry about the next day.

"I feel in good shape, so we'll see what's going to happen in the finals. There are a lot of tough guys out here, but we're going to go and give it 100 percent. That's all I can do."

Cheseret said the most difficult part of this journey was qualifying for the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Team Trials.

"The most pressure was to qualify for these trials because we were chasing the (Olympic) A standard," he said. "That's the most pressure. Right now, they told us not to worry about anything else, just feel free and relaxed. That's how you do your best, by running relaxed. There's a little bit of pressure to make the team, but at the same time you try to tell yourself to stay relaxed."

Cheseret and Maiyo are joined in WCAP by fellow Kenyan-American Joseph Chirlee, who finished 15th in the 10,000 meters at the Olympic Trials June 22.

"Actually, that is the greatest thing that has ever happened to us," Cheseret said. "Coming from Kenya, we went to school here. After school, we joined the Army. The Army helped us get our citizenship, and we're able to represent the Army and represent the U.S. and we're also training together as three guys from Kenya. That is the best thing the Army has ever done for us. We are really happy for that.

"To put on the U.S. Army singlet, and then at the same time to call myself a U.S. citizen, is like the best thing ever to happen to me."

Lagat said it could get even better tonight.

"If we were both to make the team, that would be unbelievable," he said. "That would be something great. I'm sure my mother back home and my father would be really, really happy, excited about the two boys in America making America proud and of course making the entire family happy."

Fitness classes

Why not try something new for your fitness routine this summer. Check out the new Group Fitness Class Schedule available on line at <http://www.vicenzamwr.com/sports.html>

Local noncompetitive walks

Getting out and being active on your weekends doesn't have to cost much. Why not try a local Volksmarch. Visit VicenzaMWR.com and find a list of locations, with distance of the walk and the start times on the monthly Volksmarch list.

Swimming pool hours

The Villaggio Pool is now open the following hours:

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, Sat & Sun
10 a.m.-8 p.m.

Closed on Wednesdays

The Post Pool hours are as follows:

PT Swim Tues-Fri 6-8:30 a.m.

Open Swim 10:30 a.m.-7 p.m.

Open Swim Sat & Sun 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Closed Mondays

Summer Strong

Earn a T-shirt this summer in the "Summer Strong" program. Pick up a card at the Fitness Center desk and each time you participate in a fitness class or use a personal trainer through Sept. 19, have the instructor initial your card. When your card is full you can claim your T-shirt. Call 634-7616 for more information.

Unit & rec play

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. Call 636-9648/9120/9632.

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

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

Tennis: Open play Singles and Doubles on Mondays and Wednesdays, 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. New players are always welcome. Call 634-7009 or individual POCs.

Women's basketball

Women's basketball practice held Sundays from 4-5 p.m. at the post gym. All female community members welcome to attend. Focus is on fun and having a great workout.

POC: julia.sibilla@us.army.mil