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USARAF Commander Maj. Gen. William B. Garrett III and USARAF Command Sgt. Maj. Gary J. Bronson will discuss a variety of topics, including a construction update during the monthly Up Front on Friday.

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## Wondering about H1N1?

Military health experts will discuss H1N1 influenza and the vaccination program at 10 a.m. Nov. 18 on the AFN Openline radio talk show. Tune in to AFN 107.0, and e-mail advance questions to [openline@afn.dma.mil](mailto:openline@afn.dma.mil) or call questions in at DSN 389-4595 or civilian 0621-46085-595 during the show.



Photo by Pfc. Michael Sword

Paratroopers of the Caserma Ederle-based 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team conduct their last jump Nov. 5 at Aviano prior to the unit's deployment to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom X. The day gave Sky Soldiers and the Italian military a chance to swap parachutist wings, a time honored tradition between the two nations.

## PDP kicks off One-stop shop ensures family documents, emergency data in order for deployment

By ANNETTE FOURNIER  
*USAG Vicenza Public Affairs*

The pre-deployment processing center, slated to begin serving Soldiers this week, will be a one-stop shop for Soldiers and families who are preparing for the upcoming deployments.

The main PDP is located in the Directorate of Logistics' motor pool, with medical services

in the U.S. Army Vicenza Health Center and pre-deployment photos at the photo lab in Bldg. 93.

Soldiers will be notified by their unit of the time and day they should go to the PDP. Spouses are strongly encouraged to attend to help them prepare for the and

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### Did you know?

**The CDC will provide free child care while parents attend the PDP.**

**Call 634-7559 to make a reservation**

## Can your POV pass inspection?

By ADRIANE FOSS  
*Outlook Editor*

When Sgt. 1st Class James Jenkins' '92 Seat Ibiza failed its registration renewal inspection Oct. 23 at the DOL testing garage on Caserma Ederle, he wanted to know why.

And although his 17-year-old vehicle has seen better days, it passed a very quick and limited

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## Color casing signifies 173rd OEF transition

173rd ABCT Public Affairs

The 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team held a Casing of the Colors ceremony Tuesday at Caserma Ederle's Hoekstra Field to represent the transition of its battalions to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom X.

The unit, which will deploy later this year, gathered in the morning along

with family, friends and comrades to participate in the centuries-old tradition.

U.S. Army Africa Commander Maj. Gen. William Garrett III encouraged the unit during a brief speech.

"As you protect the Afghan people and defeat our adversaries, let your actions prove to the world that there is no better friend, no worse enemy than a Sky serve

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**FAST FACT**

**A unit's command sergeant major is the 'Keeper of the Colors.'**



Photo by Laura Kreider

**A day for vets:** (From left) Daisy Troop 62 members Londyn Wilson, Kadynce Hines, Raine Parfitt and Veruca Cornett present a token of appreciation to Caserma Ederle's Peter H. Luste, Veterans of Foreign Wars representative, during their weekly meeting at the Vicenza Elementary School Tuesday. "We thought it would be fitting that the girls, who are from kindergarten to first grade, begin to learn about veterans," said co-leader Cori Leshner. The girls received VFW mementos and questioned Luste about what it means to be a vet.

## Electronic charging units a hot issue



Courtesy photo

A charging unit left plugged in resulted in major fire damage to this vehicle. Safety officials urge caution when using charging devices.

By TOM SAUNDERS  
IMCOM Europe

Hot commodities on the gift-giving market are turning into a hotter issue for safety officials.

Electronic charging units designed for use in motor vehicles for a variety of portable music players and other electronic gadgets have been identified as culprits responsible for vehicle fires.

"We received a safety alert that charger and converter units used to play or charge various electronic items may overheat if left plugged into a car power source, resulting in a vehicle fire," said Mike Schwarz,

**That rule also applies to the household: When not in use, unplug.**

Installation Management Command-Europe safety officer.

"A good rule of thumb is to unplug these devices when they are not in use," said Schwarz. "That rule also applies to devices in the household: When not in use, unplug."

According to Schwarz, the safety alert described an incident involving a 2007 Chevy Suburban destroyed as a result

of an electrical fire. This fire resulted from leaving an I-phone charger/docking station plugged into the car outlet. The charger overheated and started a fire while parked in a garage. The owners of the vehicle were fortunate that they accidentally found the fire at 11 p.m. before going to bed and before it spread to the house.

None of the garage heat detectors or house fire alarms had gone off. "As these devices become more popular, it becomes more important for all of us to use common sense and be safety conscious," said Schwarz.

## USARAF troops honor Italian Armed Forces Day

Story by Sgt. Maj. KIMBERLY WILLIAMS  
U.S. Army Africa

Each year on Nov. 4 Italians come together to celebrate *Giorno delle Forze Armate*, Italian Armed Forces Day, a day of national unity to commemorate the Allied victory in World War I and to pay tribute to the Italian Armed Forces, past and present.

This year marks the 91st anniversary of the cease-fire agreement signed by the Austrian-Hungarian forces Nov. 4, 1918, signaling the end of hostilities and the victory of Italy in World War I.

"U.S. Army Soldiers are honored to take to the field shoulder-to-shoulder with our Italian partners in commemoration of the Allied victory in World War I," said

Maj. Gen. William B. Garrett III, U.S. Army Africa commanding general. Garrett and a group of U.S. Army Africa Soldiers attended the Nov. 4 ceremony at Piazza dei Signori in Vicenza.

Representatives from the U.S. military community in Vicenza also attended three other Italian Armed Forces Day events in Monticello Conte Otto, Thiene and Vicenza.

"The sacrifices made by the men and women of Italy, during the Great War and right up to now in Afghanistan and other stability missions abroad, will never be forgotten," said Garrett.

"The United States and Italy share a long and common history," he said. "This headquarters alone in Vicenza counts more than 54 years of friendship, partnership and shared interests."



Photo by Ed Johnson

U.S. Army Africa's Maj. Junel Jeffrey (left) renders honors during the Italian national anthem as USARAF Soldiers stand at attention. The Soldiers participated in *Giorno delle Forze Armate*, Italian Armed Forces Day at Vicenza's Piazza dei Signori Nov. 4.

### Speak Out

### How do you prepare for winter safety?



Capt. Adolph G. Dubose III & son Adolph IV  
509th Signal Battalion

"Vehicle safety checklist, such as tires, first aid, blankets, ... emergency contact list, cell phones charged with extra batteries..."



Scott Jackson  
USO volunteer

"I keep a lot of food stocked in case I am snowed in."



Irene Ross  
AAFES

"I have completely inspected the heat system and I make sure the car is working well."



1st Sgt. Troy White, wife Melissa & daughter Emma  
USAG Vicenza HHC

"We go to the AAFES garage to have our vehicles checked. We also review our winter survival kits. Then we search for the perfect Steeler Christmas presents."



Robert Williams  
USAG Safety Office

"I make sure my vehicles are ready -- lights, wipers, tires. I also make sure my home heaters are ready and I adjust my driving with the changing weather."

Don't miss a chance to give! The Combined Federal Campaign is ongoing. Call 634-7673 today.

## New equipment making tests tougher

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inspection last year. This year the vehicle was tested with what Jenkins called new standards, including a headlight lumen measurement and additional brake test.

“My brakes still stop my vehicle inside of the required distance, but the braking force wasn’t spread equally among all of the brakes, so it failed,” Jenkins said.

The standards that failed Jenkins’ car are not new, but newly enforced, according to the chief of DOL’s maintenance division, George Schmidt. Where once the brake exams were conducted by eye, they are now done with the use of high tech machinery.

“We did not have the proper test equipment in the past,” explained Schmidt. “Now we do

and we’re able to provide customers safe and efficient vehicle inspections so that no one gets hurt during their tour in Italy.

“We want our community members rolling down the road in a vehicle as close to perfect shape as possible,” he said. “We understand it will be an inconvenience for some, but it’s our responsibility to keep our families safe. That’s the bottom line.”

Jenkins, whose vehicle

registration was set to expire two weeks after his failed inspection, found himself scrambling to get his brakes up to standard. Luckily, he said, he

was able to repair them himself at minimal cost.

But that’s not the case for most motorists.

“Imagine a worst case scenario, where a Soldier is deployed and his or her spouse is here

on Ederle with a single mode of transportation to get them and their three children to and from base, the hospital, commissary

or PX,” said Jenkins. “Before the Soldier deployed, the vehicle passed the limited inspection, but now the spouse is trying to renew the registration and is being told that the vehicle fails and now he or she has two weeks or less to get the vehicle fixed or they will be without transportation.”

Schmidt said his organization will do whatever it can, when it can, to help families who fail inspections.

“We really do what we can to support them. We will be able to steer them in the right direction to obtain repairs—telling them what, where and how to purchase parts, providing telephone numbers and points of contact when we can,” said Schmidt. “We’ll even take photos at the Auto Skills Center so they can show a repairmen

to make sure they’re purchasing the right part (if they buy on the economy).

“We understand there’s a problem out there,” he said. “People have neglected maintenance and unfortunately vehicle defects and shortcomings are going to show up on the new test equipment.”

Schmidt said families should check and maintain their vehicles in preparation for their annual inspections “and when something is wrong, have it repaired.”

Questions about registration should be directed to Pat O’Connor at 634-7001.

*Vehicle inspection standards are outlined in USASETAF (ABN) Regulation 190-3, which is based on Italian law (NAVSUPACT Base Naples Inst. 11240.19GN33).*

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George Schmidt  
Maintenance Division

## Military casing of colors rooted in ancient world history

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Soldier,” said Garrett.

For many onlookers and participants it was a poignant ceremony representing the very heart of the unit, a historic moment for attendees at Tuesday’s event just as it has been for many throughout time.

The meaning behind flags and unit colors are almost as old as civilization itself. The ancient armies of Babylon, Chaldea and Assyria followed the colors of their leaders. The Old Testament frequently mentions banners and standards. From the earliest times, warriors used a banner or other symbol

to identify units and to serve as a rallying point for troops. By the end of the Revolutionary War, Americans followed the British practice of carrying two flags during combat—the national flag and a battle or Army color. Even before the War of 1812, in addition to the flag of the United States, each American regiment carried a silk flag.

Today during ceremonies the Colors—with battle streamers attached—is raised high among Soldiers in formations to signify the unit’s history in past campaigns and the presence of the commander and his headquarters.

When a unit or the headquarters of a

unit undergoes a permanent change of station, the colors are “cased,” literally furled and placed inside a canvas case, to signify that the command has ceased operations at that location.

The 173<sup>rd</sup>’s Colors will be uncased at its new location to signify the command is operational at its new station, having successfully transitioned temporarily to Afghanistan to help support the people of Afghanistan in their quest for peace, democracy and freedom.

Command Sgt. Maj. Nicholas Rolling assists Col. James Johnson III as they case the colors Tuesday.



Photo by Pfc. Michael Sword

## Win \$2K AAFES shopping spree with Holiday Creations contest

AAFES news release

The Army & Air Force Exchange Service and Hershey’s are joining culinary forces to determine which AAFES shoppers have the most talent in the kitchen.

The Patriot Family Holiday Creations contest, which runs

Nov. 1–Dec. 31, will spotlight recipes and photos of cakes, cupcakes and cookies decorated in holiday style by military shoppers.

“Based on similar contests in the past, there is no doubt that AAFES shoppers will cook up some very creative treats,” said AAFES’ senior enlisted advisor

Chief Master Sgt. Jeffrey Helm. “I’m excited to see which photos have the ingredients for success and, in addition to the shopping sprees, we’ll use the winning shots and recipes in our 2010 Holiday Creations baking guide.”

Aspiring chefs must submit an original photo of their holiday

decorated baked goods with the recipe to patriotfamily@aafes.com. Entries will be judged on originality, creativity, ease of preparation and presentation.

The grand prize winner will receive a \$2,000 AAFES shopping spree with runners-up shopping sprees of \$1,000, \$500,

\$250 and four for \$25.

Complete rules concerning the Holiday Creations contest are available online at the AAFES Patriot Family Connection at www.aafes.com.

Final judging and winners of the contest are expected to be announced on or around Feb. 15.

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### At your service South of the Alps DFAC



Kenneth Baker is the garrison’s South of the Alps Dining Facility manager. He is responsible for the planning, directing, coordinating and implementing of an effective food service program. Baker is the principal advisor to the garrison on all aspects of the Army Food Program.

“As the DFAC manager, I work closely with Soldiers, civilians and family members to ensure customer satisfaction is felt by each and every patron who dines at the DFAC,” said Baker.

He said he and his staff won the first-ever best-in-all Europe P.A. Connelly large DFAC award for Vicenza and is competing against other large DFACs in the U.S. and Korea for the All Army title.

Baker can be reached at 634-6990 or by e-mail at kenneth.baker@eur.army.mil.

# Community Camera

A snapshot of events making news in and around the U.S. Army military community in Vicenza...



## Certified:

Italian firefighters from the USAG Vicenza Fire Department conduct training on an open mound near the post sports field Thursday. The firefighters, who are working toward obtaining national certification with the Department of Defense, will train throughout November in hopes of passing a series of tests administered through the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications. "This third party independent review is the best way to assure candidates and governance bodies that the entity's program meets the national standards," said Alexander D. Christie, assistant fire chief. "Certification from an accredited entity is a statement of success, an indisputable mark of performance belonging to individual fire service professionals."

Photo by Adriane Foss



Courtesy photos

**Not forgotten:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sgt. (retired) Gene Cockran passed away Oct. 23 at the Veterans Affairs hospital in Augusta, Ga. Family and friends attended the funeral Tuesday at the Marola Church. VFW Post 8862 provided military honors at the service. Cockran retired from active duty (167<sup>th</sup> Signal Company) in 1976 and owned his own business for several years before working as an AAFES general manager for more than a decade. He most recently worked in AAFES vending operations. His wife, Silvana, worked at USAG Vicenza's Directorate of Logistics before retiring last year. Cockran was a longtime resident of Vicenza. He is survived by wife Silvana L. Cockran, daughter Luisa Cockran and son Martin Cockran, four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.



Courtesy photo

**Where is she now:** Sitting at her desk at the Internal Revenue Service's headquarters office, Diana Bahr now works in the internal communications office, keeping fellow employees abreast of news they can use.

## And the winner is...



More than 30 decorated homes in the Villaggio housing area participated in an FMWR Halloween lawn decorating contest Oct. 30. With elaborately carved pumpkins, homemade cemeteries, ghosts, web-draped trees and large animated blow-ups, three houses stood out from the rest.

A \$300 prize and first place went to Via Tiziana 218A (far left).

A \$200 prize and second place went to Via Cesare Augusto 103A (top left)

A \$100 prize and third place went to Via Cesare Augusto 105B (bottom left).

USAG Vicenza FMWR photos

## Our military families

# Darby ACS showing its appreciation

By STACY WALKER  
Special to the Outlook

During the month of November Camp Darby's Army Community Service is showing its appreciation for military families with a special barbecue and new programs like the single parent support group.

One event that highlighted the sacrifices made by families supporting their service members was a chili and rib cook-off and barbecue Nov. 10.

"It was nice to have a night where spouses didn't have to cook... They deserve the appreciation for all that they do for us," said Tech. Sgt. Edwin Fields.

Air Force 1st Sgt. James Poole said "families are the lifeline of our success."

March 11, 2009, Congress declared the 2009 to be the Year of the Military Family. This shows support, love and appreciation for the 2.9 million spouses of active, Reserve, and Guard components, 1.3 million military children, as well as the millions of military parents.

It's no secret that military families struggle with unique circumstances—



USAG Livorno file photo

Camp Darby families enjoy making crafts together at the Hispanic Heritage Month event.

packing up and moving a home across country or overseas at short notice, extended separations, missed holidays and milestones.

"It's a lot of sacrifice and hard work,

but in the end it's worth it," says Coralia Jimenez-Goodman, Army wife and Soldier.

"A strong Soldier is the result of a strong family," added Maria Lechuga, mother of two.

## Spouses encouraged to attend USAG Vicenza PDP

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deployment, said Larry Kilgore, director of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security for the garrison.

### Documents in order

"The PDP is an important way to ensure Soldiers and their families have all their documents in order," Kilgore said. "If Soldiers are worried about their families, they're not effective. When the Soldiers deploy, the families are still here and it's our job to be sure we take care of them. Making sure they have everything in order before their Soldier leaves is the best way to get ready."

Representatives will be there to help with passports and soggiorno renewals, and the staff judge advocate can assist with issuing appropriate powers of attorney and wills. The brigade's Intelligence and Operations shops will validate required training and briefings, and the Personnel section will verify emergency contact data, Service Members' Group Life Insurance and family care plans. Quality control for platoon-leader certifications, the postal service center, chaplains and the dental clinic will also be represented.

The Transition Center and Army Career and Alumni

Program will provide screening and career counseling.

Local banks, the American Red Cross, Army Community Service, Family Action Center, Family Readiness Support assistants, Risk Reduction Program coordinator and Housing will be available to provide information and answer questions.

### POV storage

Transportation will be available to explain how Soldiers' property and POV storage will be handled, and the driver's license and vehicle registration offices will process extensions and renewals. Allotments can be arranged with Finance, and Education Center specialists will have information about higher education opportunities downrange.

Deployment photos can be taken at the Photo Lab, and medical personnel will check medical records and give missing inoculations at the health center. The USO, AAFES and the Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation will have giveaways. AAFES will also talk to Soldiers about their options for suspension or alterations on their Star Card accounts.

Deputy Garrison

Commander James Walls encouraged Soldiers and family members to take advantage of the services available.

"Being prepared for a deployment is important for both the Soldier and his or her family," Walls said. "As part of the Army Family Covenant, we're dedicated to making sure families know what services and programs are available to them, especially living in another country. No one here should feel like they're alone. The Army is a family and we're all here to help."

### What to bring

For the PDP, Soldiers and families should bring: ID card and dog tags; SETAF driver's license; vehicle registration; proof of car insurance; family members' soggiornos; original PCS orders; command sponsorship memorandum or orders (if applicable); passport and family members' passports; Reports of Birth Abroad for children (if applicable); deployment TCS orders and family info sheet.

The Child Development Center will provide free child care while parents go to the PDP. Families must be registered with Child, Youth and School Services. To make a reservation, call 634-7559 or 0444-71-7559 and inform the staff that child care is needed for the PDP.



Photo by Annette Fournier

Spc. Ira Herrera administers an inoculation to Spc. Joel Cheek, both of the U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza, as Capt. Ivan Egusquiza, readiness officer in charge for the clinic, checks Cheek's inoculation records. During the pre-deployment process, medical personnel will administer appropriate inoculations to Soldiers.

## Darby Dates

### Conflict resolution

Resolve your conflicts with some assistance from ACS Wednesday. Call 633-7084.

### Resume writing

Learn how to make your resume shout "hire me!" Wednesday. Call 633-7084.

### Karaoke nights

Sing along with Bibi at karaoke night every Thursday at the Community Club. Call 633-7855 for details.

### Texas Hold'em

Wanna get lucky? Come to Texas Hold'em Nov. 20. Free pasta for all of the players. Call 633-7855 for details.

### Single parents are not alone

Single parents are not alone. A brand new single parent support group will begin Friday. Call 633-7084 to RSVP for the class.

### Say thanks

Need to say thanks to someone special? Bring them to the Club Friday. Call 633-7855 for details.

### ITR trips

**Mall Shopping:** With more than 100 stores at your fingertips, you're sure to find what you're looking for--Benetton, Sisley, Sergio Tacchini, Foot Locker, Timberland, McDonalds, Toys R Us and many, many more Nov. 21. Call 633-7589.

**On the Slopes:** Ski the Matterhorn for Thanksgiving. ODR takes you to Cervinia Nov. 26-29 for a skiing holiday that includes even the turkey dinner. Call 633-7775.

**Down South:** Spend your Thanksgiving weekend Nov. 27-29 visiting Pompei (victim of the world's most famous volcano disaster), Naples (a city noted for its rich history, art, culture and gastronomy) and the lovely Royal Palace of Caserta. Call 633-7589.

### Darby Religious activities

For details, call the chapel at 633-7267 (050-54-7267).

**9:40 a.m.:** Catholic Reconciliation

**10 a.m.:** Catholic Mass

**11:15 a.m.:** Protestant worship

Protestant **Sunday school** starts at 10 a.m.; Catholic CCD at 11:15 a.m.

The chapel is collecting cardboard, robes, children's plastic swimming pools and cardboard rolls from paper towels and toilet paper.

Contact the Catholic education coordinator to find out when the next confirmation will take place.

**Choir practice** is at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday before Mass.

## Missing theater?

You don't have to. U.S. military members in **Vicenza** are invited to attend any of the many performances on stage at the **Teatro Comunale Citta di Vicenza**. Call 0444-32-7393 for more information or visit [info@tcvi.it](mailto:info@tcvi.it).

Interested in jazz? Community members are offered a discounted rate to see Italian jazz legend **Franco Cerri** perform locally. See below for details.

Courtesy photo



## Local theater

**A Tribute to Franco Cerri** Nov. 23 at 8:30 p.m. in the Teatro Comunale di Vicenza

Franco Cerri, who will be 83 in January is an Italian jazz legend. During his career he has played with the most famous jazz artists in the world, from Billie Holiday to Gerry Mulligan, the Modern Jazz Quartet to Chet Baker, Lee Konitz and George Benson.

He began to play in Milan, his city, during World War II with a guitar given to him by his father Mario.

In the 1960s and '70s he played a fundamental role in the popularisation of the jazz repertoire, then scarcely known in Italy, taking part in more than 750 television broadcasts and conducting programs written by

himself.

Founder of many jazz groups, Cerri is also appreciated for his didactic endeavors. He created and conducts the Civici Corsi di Jazz in Milan.

Although he is more than 80 years old, Cerri continues to enjoy intense concert activity.

In the month of November alone, he will perform 10 concerts with large audiences expected.

On Nov. 23 in Vicenza, Cerri will play with guitarist Michele Calgaro and keyboarder Alberto Gurrisi.

Discount tickets are offered to the U.S. military community in Vicenza at 15 euro each.

For more information, call the Società del Quartetto di Vicenza at 0444 543729, e-mail [info@quartettovicenza.org](mailto:info@quartettovicenza.org) or visit [www.quartettovicenza.org](http://www.quartettovicenza.org).



Franco Cerri performed with such jazz greats as Billie Holiday, Gerry Mulligan, Chet Baker and George Benson. See details above.

Courtesy photo by Società del Quartetto di Vicenza

## Pay concerts & events

**White Lies:** Milan Friday.  
**Muse:** Bologna Nov. 21; Torino Dec. 4.

**Juliette Lewis:** Milan Nov. 31.  
**Backstreet Boys:** Milan Nov. 24.

**Depeche Mode:** Bologna Nov. 24; Torino Nov. 26.

**Marylan Manson:** Villorba, Treviso Nov. 26; in Milan Nov. 27.

**Tommy Emmanuel:** Florence Nov. 28.

**Paradise Lost:** Milan Dec. 8; Rome Dec. 9.

**Stryper:** Milan, Alcatraz, Jan. 19.

**Europe:** Milan Jan. 26; in Rome Jan 28; in Nonantola (Modena) Jan. 9; in Padova Jan. 30.

For tickets, visit Media World or [www.greenticket .it/index.html?imposta\\_lingua=ing](http://www.greenticket.it/index.html?imposta_lingua=ing) or [www.ticketone.it/EN/](http://www.ticketone.it/EN/).

## Art exhibits & more

■ An art exhibition is on display at the church of SS Ambrogio e Bellino in **Vicenza** until Dec. 6. It features paintings by Aleksandar Duravcevic and is open Thursday and Friday from 3-7 p.m., weekends from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 3-7 p.m. Entrance is free.

■ A mineral show is slated in **Verona's** exhibition hall Dec. 4-6. The event is open from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Entry is 5 euro. Find jewels, bijoux, gold and silver.

■ An exhibition is scheduled in the town of **Sarmede**, province of Treviso, entitled *Le Immagini della Fantasy* as part of the 27th International Illustration for Children 'Images of Fantasy.'

The event will run through Dec. 20 in the town's municipal hall. This year's theme is *Fairy Tales of the Ocean*. The exhibition is a collection of works from 16 artists from 16 countries. It is open weekdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 2-4 p.m., 8-9:30 p.m. and Sundays from 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2:30-9:30 p.m. Entrance is free.

## Outdoor Recreation

Thanksgiving weekend offerings:

**Paintball** at Camp Darby Nov. 26, 6 a.m. - 7 p.m. \$70. Includes transportation, field fees, lunch, and equipment.

**Rome Express:** See Rome in a day. Trip departs early morning of Nov. 27.

Thanksgiving **ski and snowboard** weekend in Austria,

Nov. 27-29.

**Ski/snowboard** Val Senales (day trip) Nov. 28, 6 a.m.-9 p.m.

Milan and DaVinci's **Last Supper** Nov. 28, 7 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Innsbruck, Austria **Christmas market** Nov. 29, 6 a.m. - 10 p.m.

## Christmas markets

Vicenza's annual Christmas market is open through Dec. 24 in Giardini Salvi 20. Small wooden chalets open on weekdays, 3-8 p.m. and weekends, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.

An ice-skating rink will be set up weekdays from 3 p.m.-midnight, weekends from 10 a.m.-midnight through Jan. 10. The Epiphany market will be held the weekend of Jan. 6. A medieval market with costumed vendors will be set up in the Piazza delle Erbe.

## Now Showing

### Ederle Theater

<b>Thursday</b>	Gamer (R)	6 p.m.
<b>Friday</b>	I Can Do Bad All By Myself (PG-13)	6 p.m.
	Extract (R)	9 p.m.
<b>Saturday</b>	A Christmas Carol (PG)	3 p.m.
	I Can Do Bad All By Myself (PG-13)	6 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	A Christmas Carol (PG)	3 p.m.
	Extract (R)	6 p.m.
<b>Wed.</b>	Inglorious Bastards (R)	6 p.m.
<b>Nov. 19</b>	Inglorious Bastards (R)	6 p.m.

### Camp Darby Theater

<b>Friday</b>	The Stepfather (PG-13)	6 p.m.
<b>Saturday</b>	Extract (R)	6 p.m.
<b>Sunday</b>	I Can Do Bad All By Myself (PG-13)	1 p.m.
<b>Nov. 19</b>	Inglorious Bastards (R)	6 p.m.

**Admission: Age 12 and over \$4, under age 12, \$2.**  
The Ederle theater box office opens one hour prior to show.

Looking for the movie synopsis? Visit [www.aafes.com](http://www.aafes.com), scroll to the bottom of the page and click on Movie Schedule.

Looking to buy or sell items? Check out MWR's Marketplace at [www.mwrmarketplace.com](http://www.mwrmarketplace.com).



## Hiring lifeguards for indoor pool opening

Sports, Fitness & Aquatics is now hiring lifeguards for the Caserma Ederle January pool opening. The position requires weekends and early morning hours.

For applicants that are not certified lifeguards, training is required during the first two weeks of employment at no cost.

For more information, call Dave Besuden at 634-6536.

## Thanks & Giving 5K Walk/Run set, turkey drawings slated

Free Nov. 21. The pre-brief meeting is at 8:45 a.m.

Run/Walk starts at 9 a.m. There will be turkey drawings.

## Youth basketball registration opens

### Monday for ages 3-15

Join CYSS Sports & Fitness for basketball season. Registration runs Monday through Dec. 9.

Open to youth ages 3-15. Practice begins in December. Dates will be determined. Season runs Jan. 11-Feb. 27. Cost is \$46.

## Youth Ski/Snowboard days return Dec. 5 with \$10 trip to San Martino for a day of fun

Enrollment begins Monday at Central Registration, Bldg. 108 for youth in grades 6-12.

Point of contact is Michael Morris at Youth Services at 634-7659.

Overnight trips this season to Garmisch will be Dec. 29-31 and Feb. 19-21 for youth in grades 7-12.

Day trips include the following locations: San Martino, Folgaria, and Kron Platz. Maximum of 20 spots available per trip.

## Need a personal trainer? Call today for help

Call the fitness center at 634-6716 or visit [www.vicenzaMWR.com](http://www.vicenzaMWR.com) for information.

## Open-play volleyball set Tuesdays, Thursdays for ages over 15

The community (over age 15) is invited to join in pick-up, open-play volleyball games every Tuesday and Thursday at the fitness center from 6:30-8 p.m.

Improve your skills, have fun and build morale. Call 634-7009 for information.

# Working it out:

Pfc. Nick Carra, Alpha Company, 1st Battalion 503rd Infantry Regiment (Airborne) works out at the post gym Tuesday.

"I come here (daily) after working hours for at least one hour," said Carra. "I think that exercising helps you stay healthy. I use several pieces of equipment. The Front Lat Pull Down helps especially the arms and shoulders. After warming up with 90 lbs., I add some extra weight."

The post fitness center offers several types of equipment, classes and personnel to guide you through its use.

*Photo by Laura Kreider*



# Making learning fun:

USAG Vicenza's high school first place finishers for the Red Ribbon Week 3-on-3 basketball tournaments (from left) are senior Benjamin Grice, junior Michael Weston and junior Shakael Skeete.

The middle school's first place finishers for the Red Ribbon Week 3-on-3 basketball tournaments (from left) are eighth-graders Malik Cox, Derrick Schaefer and Michael Booker.

The tournaments were hosted by the installation's Army Substance Abuse Program during the last week in October in honor of Red Ribbon Week. It was one of many events used to educate community members on drug prevention. For more information about, or assistance with, substance abuse, call 634-6122 or 0444-71-6122 off post.

*Photos by Judy Crow*



## High School Winners



## Middle School Winners