



Soldiers save Afghan child's life



The father of a one-year old Salima visits with her while she receives medical care at Craig Joint-Theater Hospital at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan. (Photo by SRA Dilia DeGrego)

By Combined Joint Task Force-82
Combined Joint Information Bureau

FORWARD OPERATING BASE NARAY, Afghanistan - Soldiers from Task Force Saber are credited with saving the life of a one-year-old Afghan girl here July 17.

The child, called Salima, arrived at the base not eating or drinking and suffering from respiratory distress and seizures, said Capt. (Dr.) Scott Harrington, doctor of orthopedics, Headquarter and Headquarters Troop, 1st Squadron, 91st Cavalry Regiment.

Salima was attended by medical personnel from both the 160th Forward Surgical Team and 1-91 CAV. She was treated for pneumonia and given life-saving antibiotics, oxygen and fluids, according to Harrington.

After initial treatment at FOB Naray, the child was evacuated by helicopter to medical facilities at Bagram Airfield and treated in the intensive care unit.

"She was deathly ill and about to die," Harrington said. "If the child was not given intensive care she would have died. She was saved by (this) highly trained team."

He also praised the efforts of the pilots and medics involved in transporting the patient to Bagram Airfield.

Harrington added, "The 160th FST and the 1-91 CAV aid station are here to help care for U.S. Soldiers and help with medical emergencies in the local population in coordination with local Afghan medical providers."

Contracting process for Dal Molin project begins

Southern European Task Force
Public Affairs Office

Caserma Ederle, Vicenza-The request for proposal for contractors to build facilities to house elements of the 173d Airborne Brigade Combat Team at Dal Molin opened yesterday.

The contracting process was initiated in accordance with guidelines established by Italian authorities.

The Dal Molin project will consolidate the brigade in Vicenza. Currently, four of the six battalions are stationed in Bamberg and Schweinfurt, Germany.

Information for the project can be found at www.esol.navy.mil.

The construction is scheduled to begin in 2008 and completed by 2011.

SETAF will continue to work with appropriate authorities and provide regular updates throughout the construction process.

Where to go to get local news

The Outlook
Press Release

For information about post events, the Vicenza community has numerous venues to examine.

You're reading one of them. Another venue is the Command Information Channel. This is a slide show that appears over the cable system on post and in the Villaggio housing area. Televisions with the CIC are also located in the community mail room, the commissary, post exchange food court and the lobby of Davis Soldier and Family Readiness Center.

Also, each AFN station across Europe has a dedicated satellite channel focused on its specific community.

If you live in Villaggio or in the barracks and have a cable television system, the AFN channel dedicated to Vicenza is AFN Atlantic Prime. If you live off post and have an AFN satellite decoder, it is located on channel 14.

On these channels you'll find breaking news on post closures, gate closures, opening times and school events.

While the programming comes from AFN Prime Atlantic, the channel's news breaks and spots focus on the military community and the surrounding areas.

Another source for local news is AFN's 106FM, *The Eagle*, which is also available on your television, through decoder channel 142.

Mechanics make TF Rock roll

Story and photo by Sgt. Brandon Aird
173rd ABCT Public Affairs

JALALABAD, Afghanistan - Working outside, sitting on a slab of metal while more than 6,000 pounds of steel hangs overhead acting as an oven in the 125 degree heat doesn't stop mechanics from keeping their Humvees ready to roll for the next convoy.

Mechanics from Fusion Company, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry (Airborne), 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, work 12 to 13 hours a day in these conditions every day, making sure that Task Force Rock's vehicles keep moving between their forward operating bases.

After the convoys return from their missions, the vehicles get dropped off at the motor pool at FOB Fenty.

"The road conditions and (heavy) armor on the vehicle wears on the vehicles," said Army Pfc. Andrew Davis, a Fusion Company mechanic.

The convoys are only back on FOB Fenty for a day or two and all the maintenance on the vehicles has to be done in that short time span.

The mechanics work all day and late into the night fixing vehicles and performing scheduled maintenance.

"When the vehicles roll out I know that I've done my job," Davis said.



Pfc. Andrew Davis, a mechanic in Fusion Company, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry (Airborne), endures the 125 plus degree heat while working on a vehicle at FOB Fenty.

Sky Soldiers build FOB at the front

By Pfc. Daniel M. Rangel
22nd Mobile Public Affairs Detachment

FORWARD OPERATING BASE LONESTAR, Afghanistan - Forward Operating Bases in Afghanistan don't magically appear. They are a product of the hard work of American Soldiers along the front lines.

Sky Soldiers with the 173d Airborne Brigade Combat Team began day five of construction July 11 at FOB Lonestar near the Pakistan border, according to 2nd Lt. Zachariah J. Paul, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Special Troops Battalion, 173d ABCT.

"It's going great, the FOB is turning out real well," said Paul, who helps lead the construction effort.

The FOB overlooks the foothills of the Tora Bora Mountains where Taliban combatants are known to move through from



A dump truck unloads dirt into the newly assembled barriers to reinforce the fortifications at Forward Operating Base Lonestar. Transporting the heavy equipment in convoys over the rough terrain is the biggest challenge for the Soldiers working on the newly built FOBs.

Pakistan, according to Paul.

Spc. Ricci Angel, an infantryman and Humvee driver for HHC, STB, 173rd ABCT, explained part of the logistical challenges of building an FOB in this area.

"We've been making the three-hour trip out here every day," Angel said. "Tomorrow's going to be even longer."

The days are longer when Soldiers encounter one of the biggest challenges in FOB construction - transporting heavy equipment to the front lines. Sometimes they need heavy construction equipment such as

cranes and dump trucks. The dump trucks are used to fill the barrier walls with soil to provide additional security. The cranes do the heavy lifting.

Convoys make daily supply runs to the new FOB from the Jalalabad Provincial Reconstruction Team. The convoys bring the basic supplies that keep the construction team well supplied with food and water.

With the steady flow of supplies and equipment to the area, a more complete FOB and better security for the Tora Bora region are on the way.

USAG Vicenza Strategic Plan: Moving into the Future

By Richard Wilczeh and Bill Murphy
Plans, Analysis, Integration Office

Our vision is to be the preeminent garrison that produces highly effective, state-of-the-art installation support, maximizes support to people, readiness and transformation of an expeditionary force, and is the model for all other Installation Management Command (IMCOM) Europe garrisons. Simply stated, we will provide the best maintained facilities, the highest quality services, provide the safest environment, and especially, manage the most efficient organizations. It is through these goals and objectives that our garrison will be guided step-by-step to successful implementation of the strategy. We must dedicate ourselves to our vision. Our strategy is the heart and substance that provides the course, direction, and purpose which fosters continuous improvement and learning. This is the essence of strategy and the true nexus between our plan and what we do every day. Our strategy must become engrained so that it is not just another part of our business, but it is our business.

Continuous measurable improvement

Continuous measurable improvement aims at increasing quality, productivity, reliability and safety, which reduces costs, waste and cycle time. Not only will this provide managers with a tool to gauge organizational progress, but when well crafted and implemented, it can inspire and motivate all employees, set direction for the organization, and encourage alignment from top to bottom.

The garrison is instilling a culture of continuous improvement by embarking upon an enterprise-wide deployment of Lean Six Sigma. Lean Six Sigma is a method to reduce or eliminate waste, increase efficiency and improve

customer satisfaction.

Our success will come from our systemic approach that involves everyone at all levels of the workforce. To create a quality foundation, Lean Six Sigma Awareness training will be offered to all employees. Through this, employees are encouraged to seek out ways to improve their operations. Continuous improvement is the positive stress and creative discomfort that will sharpen our competitive edge.

Organizational analysis & design

Organizational analysis and design examines functions and structures of our organizations to reduce redundancies and enhance resource efficiency. We are working to create an organization that:

- °Focuses on the customer
- °Concentrates on the core business
- °Organizes around the work
- °Differentiates between strategic level work and operational work
- °Establishes the correct number of organization layers
- °Establishes clear accountabilities, authorities and critical systems
- °Defines the nature of organizational relationships
- °Develops and implements a change in management strategy

This initiative depends on the voice of our business— our process owners, managers and directors. They will be empowered and accountable to manage efficient operations, provide solutions and deliver results within the scope of our operations.

Situational awareness

Situational awareness is connecting islands of technology and business processes to deliver the right information to the right people before the information is out-of-date. Knowledge management provides these connections. It is the art and science of tapping into the knowledge, experience and skills of the workforce to

improve performance. This is a key driver of our business transformation.

Our knowledge management initiative will define what information we need to manage and for what purpose. It is through the definition process that we will target specific products for our requirements. While it is important to have the latest technology, what truly matters is what the employees do with the technology. We will use a combination of commercial off-the-shelf software, legacy applications, data warehouses, or custom developed software solutions, along with defining our business processes. We will pull the technology that will best meet requirements of becoming a learning organization.

Professional development

Successful business transformation requires committed people in the workforce, ready and willing to exert whatever effort is necessary to deliver on the promise of being the best. Professional development provides the workforce with the skills and knowledge to be adaptive, innovative and versatile. Implementing business transformation is only part of the challenge. Helping it take root in the culture, with a capability for continuously improving itself, requires putting in place a practice of continuous learning and career enhancement.

Our garrison regards professional development as the crucial underpinning to our business transformation and to perpetuating a culture of continuous improvement. Our long-term success and financial health depends on developing multi-skilled employees.

Training through the civilian education system will be offered through resident courses, distributed learning, on-line courses such as Army E-Learning and SkillSoft, and on-the-job training such as our mentorship program.

Fiscal discipline

Fiscal discipline is a requirement in our

uncertain business environment. Our financial climate is not one in which fiscal discipline is an option for improving business, but a necessity for survival. Our current budget obligations do not meet our operating costs and forces us to make even tougher trade-off decisions. Therefore, our imperative is to achieve and sustain a culture of fiscal discipline and continuous measurable improvement so at a minimum our cost of business equals our funding.

Empowerment means trust, responsibility and accountability. Our directorates will be empowered to create partnerships and make the trade-offs necessary to operate within available budgets. By fostering this "ownership" we create an organization of shareholders in our collective future.

Our goals & objectives

Our goals and objectives will help our workforce focus on success and away from distractive activities that drain resources and accomplish little.

Goal 1: Develop and retain the best leaders and the most professional workforce to accomplish Army goals and objectives.

Goal 2: Optimize resources and employ innovative means to provide premier facilities and quality services.

Goal 3: Be a streamlined, agile organization that is customer-focused and results-driven in support of current and future missions

Goal 4: Build and sustain a state of the art infrastructure to support readiness and mission execution and enhance well-being of the military community.

To further define our goals, we are implementing objectives that prescribe tangible outcomes to transform our business into a more agile and responsive organization. These objectives will become one or more projects that will produce the measurable results that will pay valuable dividends to our garrison.

Information please

How to get the numbers you need

USAG Vicenza Public Affairs Office
Command Information

Community members who don't have access to official e-mail often find it frustrating when it comes to finding the telephone number for a specific office.

There are several ways to get help:

1. If you need directory assistance and have access to a DSN (official) telephone, dial '0' or 113 from any official phone.
2. If you are off post, dial 0444-71-7111. This will send you to the directory assistance operators. When you dial this number, you will not hear the telephone ring. Do not hang up. The operators will answer the phone as soon as they can. The switching control center is trying to fix this problem..
3. The USAG Web site: www.usag.vicenza.army.mil has listings and links to many of the most-requested telephone numbers, as does the Directorate of MWR Web site: www.vicenzamwr.com.

As a reminder, numbers that have a 634 as the prefix may only be called from on post. To dial that number from off post, dial 0444-71 and then use the last four digits of the number.

At Your Service

We are the Bamberg Family Readiness Support assistants.

Our mission is to be the liaison for the family members of deployed Soldiers with the rear detachment staff. We are also your points of contact for submitting articles and photos to *The Outlook*.

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Bash the Trash

Leora November and Michele Parrott work on a poster during a Youth Volunteer Corps meeting. The Caserma Ederle YVC plans to kick off its first project called *Bash the Trash* in early August.

Bash the Trash is a community-wide challenge to help keep the Vicenza military community free of trash.

"The goal of *Bash the Trash* is to help our community environment be a more pleasurable and sanitary place for all to enjoy," said Kara Filipp, a YVC member.

Operation *Bash the Trash* is going to challenge all community members to take a few minutes one day a week to clean up the area around their office or building.

Specific details regarding days and times are being worked out and will be announced to the community when available.

Possible existence of a bogus DTS Web site

We have been advised of the possible existence of a bogus DTS website. Reportedly, this website attempts to use phishing techniques to entice users into providing sensitive information.

We have elevated this matter to the Joint Task Force-Global Network Operations (JTF-GNO) for investigation and will provide an update when available.

In the meantime, the following recommendations are provided to protect the DTS user community:

*Disregard security "advisories" that are sent in chain e-mails and are not from a known, official source. Official, organizational e-mails should be digitally signed per DOD policy.

*Do not open attachments in unsolicited emails.

*Disable macros when opening documents from unknown sources.

*When connecting to the DTS website, use a secure connection (<https://> <<https://>>) and verify the authenticity of the site by checking its PKI certificate.

If you have any questions, contact the DTS Tier 2 Help Desk at: 266dtshelpdesk@eur.army.mil.

Summer hire offers varied experiences

Story and photo by Christie Rawlins
Outlook Volunteer

Summer Hire presents the opportunity for people ages 14-21 to work for the summer in many of the different facilities on post, ranging from clerical work to labor. Many students in the Vicenza community have taken full advantage of this chance.

"Summer Hire is good because you get sufficient money and since it is just during the summer it doesn't impede with your school work," said Daniel Schierbaum, who's working at the Auto Skills center for the summer.

Workers are trained during their first days and taught safety precautions, especially when working with equipment.

"We went over a list of do's and don'ts during the first day. For instance, we're not allowed to use the big power tools," Schierbaum said.

Summer Hire offers a wide variety of skill enhancing opportunities.

"I chose to work here at Auto Skills because it will give the experience I need for my future career," said Jared Rulland. "We get to clean and detail vehicles."

Workers are usually placed randomly according to their applications; however in some cases, managers may request certain students to work for them.

"I requested Kyle Kaus to work here again this year because he is a good worker," said Chris Wolff, Outdoor Recreation manager. "The summer hire workers do the things that we're usually too busy to do during the year, but are still important."

"My job mostly consists of various things like taking phone calls, fixing bikes, ordering equipment, inspecting gear and making sure it is working properly," said 15-year-old Kaus. "Working at Outdoor Rec is a great way to meet new people and a great way to learn how to be more professional."

Other Summer Hire locations include the Vicenza Chapel, the dining facility, bowling alley and the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center.

Overall, Summer Hire offers people the opportunity to earn money, meet new people, and enhance their working skills.



Daniel Schierbaum (left) and Jared Rulland prepare a motorcycle for detailing at the Auto Skills Center, as part of their Summer Hire work program.

InfoX happens July 25

There's been a name change for the community forum used to share information and resolve issues.

Formerly known as the Community Action Council, the monthly forum is now called InfoX, which stands for "information exchange."

The new name reflects the increased emphasis on getting out up-to-date community information to key publics, especially to family readiness groups and rear detachment leaders.

Concerns will still be solicited and solutions found. Community leaders will still be on hand to use their experience and guidance to cut through red tape and fix what needs fixing.

InfoX will be broadcast live on AFN 106 *The Eagle* (also available on AFN decoder channel 142) and listeners are still given the opportunity to participate.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend InfoX July 25 in Club Veneto at 10 a.m.

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Club Beyond hosts Beach Break at Camp Darby

Story by Anna Vallery
Special to the Outlook

What better way to start off the summer vacation than with a trip to the beach. Club Beyond held its annual Beach Break in Camp Darby, where more than 300 students from schools all over Europe came to hang out at the beach. Five students and two leaders represented Vicenza during the event. Jocelyn Cary and her visiting brother, Justin Carey, took Megan Gafford, Kati Hunnewell, Anna Vallery, Grant Young and Johnny Vongseng to Livorno, boarding the bus from Aviano at 4am for the trip.

"The best part of Beach Break was seeing people I had met at Slovakia Service Project. It made me feel a little bit better about going on a trip I hadn't attended before. It also reminded me of how small our world really is," said Kati Hunnewell, a recent graduate of Vicenza High School.

Upon their arrival at the camp ground on Camp Darby, the group was enthusiastically welcomed by the Beach Break work staff, who helped the campers carry their luggage to the designated tent. After a brief introduction to the event, everyone was told to head to the beach. All 300 students attending Beach Break soon found themselves enjoying a day of beach volleyball, swimming, paddleboats and sunbathing at Camp Darby's American beach.

When the group returned to the camp site they had about an hour to shower and then "Club" started. Club is the evening event where all the campers and leaders come together in a big tent and participate in such activities as singing classic pop songs like *Brown Eyed Girl*, *Lean on Me* and *Help*. Different games presented on stage brought some competition into Club, and skits were also performed. After the fun and games, a speaker was brought out to talk to the campers about their God and what he did and is doing for them. Then it was time for bed.

"It's amazing and fun, you get to connect with kids from across Europe, and it changes the way you view your relationship with Christ," Justin Carey said.

The next day everyone packed into their buses and went to the town of Lucca for a photo scavenger hunt and a walk around the city. Some groups, including the Vicenza group, decided to take a bike ride around the ancient wall of the city. At around 3 p.m., everyone went to Pisa for a visit to the Leaning Tower and time to browse through the shops.



(Above) Kati Hunnewell makes the leap from the cliffs into the refreshing waters of the Mediterranean. (Photo by Megan Gafford) While (Below) Beach Break participants enjoy a bike ride around the city of Lucca. (Photo by Jocelyn Cary)

Sunday the students took a trip to a nearby water park, where they could go down slides or swim in the wave pool.

Monday was the trip to *Cinque Terre*, where campers toured the different towns. In a couple of towns the campers were able to partake in cliff-jumping, where they would climb up a cliff and jump into the salty ocean.

Tuesday was spent at the American beach. This time, however, the group spent the entire day there. After a day of fun in the sun, students were served dinner with the sound of the Beach Boys playing in the background.

Club was also held at the beach and after listening to the speaker, campers were allowed to sit quietly to reflect on the week's events and how God affects their lives.

Wednesday was spent cleaning up, packing and saying goodbye to the friends they made.

Club Beyond holds Beach Break every year for both middle school and high school



youth. In addition, Club Beyond organizes trips and activities throughout the year for youths regardless of their religious affiliation.

For more information about Club Beyond activities and the upcoming schedule, contact Jocelyn Cary, Club Beyond director, at vicecb@yahoo.com.

"Club Beyond is, without a doubt, one of the greatest organizations in Vicenza, and all of Europe, for middle school and high school teens and I have never met a person who did not enjoy any Club trip, especially one to the beach," said Megan Gafford, another recent graduate of Vicenza High School.



Strolling up to St. Michael's Church

Family Readiness Group members listen as Andrea Wittkamp explains the history of Bamberg during an English walking tour on July 17. Spouses and family members with deployed Soldiers took the guided tour to learn more about Bamberg. (Photo by James Fredrick)

Harry Potter mania sweeps Caserma Ederle

Story and photos by Deniz Houston
Outlook Volunteer

Harry Potter fans had a special treat Friday on Caserma Ederle, as they were treated to the new movie and the worldwide release of the final book in the series.

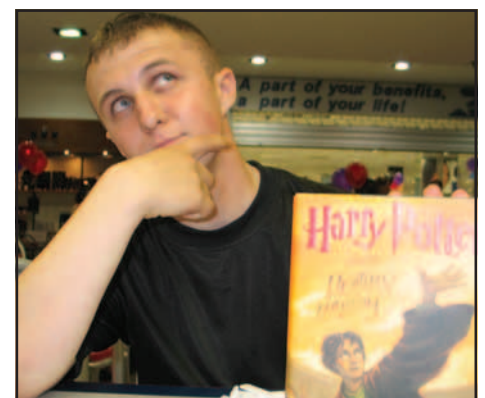
Fans stood in the 90-plus degree heat forming long lines around the post theater three hours before the box office opened.

The PX had received 350 copies of the eagerly awaited final installment of the Harry Potter series. Although the main store opened at 11:00pm, the Power Zone didn't open its doors until midnight as more than a hundred fans waited anxiously outside. While they were waiting, the crowd was treated to Snot Punch and cake, and entertained by a pinata, games and the movie *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire*.

"I have been waiting outside since 10:15 pm," said Pfc. Joel Saylor, the first person to buy the new book at the PX. "I might be the biggest adult Harry Potter fan here. If the book cost \$1,000, I'd still buy it."



(Above) Fans waited in line for hours to see the new movie. A Soldier with the 13th Military Police Company was the first buyer of the newly released book. (Right) Sarah Tucker, stirs a steaming cauldron while waiting for the release of *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*.



Cade takes command of Livorno garrison

By Chiara Mattiolo
USAG Livorno Public Affairs

The Camp Darby community came together in the post gymnasium Wednesday to bid farewell to outgoing garrison commander, Lt. Col. Stephen Sicinski, and to welcome incoming commander Lt. Col. Steven Cade.

“These past two years have moved at the speed of light and I find myself reflecting on semi-blurred snapshots of the past,” said Sicinski during his farewell speech. “Serving the Camp Darby community and representing the U.S. military in Tuscany have been the most rewarding experiences of my career.

“I cherish every memory and treasure every relationship built during my time here,” he said. “This has been a labor of love, as the good assignments always are, and we have made Camp Darby and Tuscany our permanent, virtual home. We will carry this place close to our hearts wherever the Army takes us.”

Sicinski’s next assignment takes him to the National Imagery and Mapping Agency in Washington, D.C.

Prior to taking command of USAG Livorno, Cade was the assistant chief of staff at Headquarters, Installation Management Command, Washington, D.C.

Cade joins the Camp Darby community



Lt. Col Steven Cade (left), receives the unit guidon from USAG Vicenza Commander Col. Virgil S. L. Williams, signifying his acceptance to lead USAG Livorno in a ceremony held at the post gym Wednesday. (Photo by Marino Gioia, 7th JMTC Photo lab)

accompanied by his wife Rebecca, and three daughters.

“For Rebecca and I, as the new command team, today is a dream come true. We are truly

blessed and excited to be taking command of such a distinguished garrison and look forward to joining the entire IMCOM team,” he said.

Camp Darby Briefs

Livorno school closure

The school office is closed July 19-Aug. 17. Families needing to register children during this time should go to Youth Services and see Kerry Lawrence.

Bring completed applications to the school beginning Aug. 20.

Job opportunity

Applications are being accepted for an operations clerk. The deadline to apply is July 31. Applicants should apply at the NAF Personnel Office, located on Camp Darby in Headquarters Front, 1st floor, room 11, Monday-Friday, 9-5. Call 633-7032 for details.

Health clinic news

The Livorno health clinic has a 90-day stock of Anthrax vaccine. All units needing the Anthrax shot series are asked to visit the clinic to complete this process. Soldiers and Airmen cannot start the Anthrax series for the first time unless they are deploying to specific high-risk zones or the Korean area for more than 15 days. If a Soldier has received a dose in or after 1998, then he or she can elect to continue the series.

Gone fishin’



(Above) The son of Sgt. 1st Class Terence Foster, currently deployed to Afghanistan with Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 1st Squadron-91 Cavalry Regiment, proudly displays his first catch of the day – a nice rainbow trout. Despite cold and rainy weather, 18 family members of 1-91 Cav braved the rain and wind to do some fishing on the 4th of July at Rhönforelle in Gerfeld, Germany. Despite the inclement weather the fish were cooperating and a total of 71 rainbow trout were caught. Some participants caught their first fish ever...they, like the fish, are hooked and the Airborne Cav is planning more children’s fishing trips in the future. (Right) From left to right: The children take a break from fishing to display the trout that they had caught up to that point. Time for a fish fry. (Photos by Mike Rundell, Family Readiness Support Assistant, 1-91Cav)



(Above) A young boy hoists a freshly-landed trout while a girl works at reeling in another fish in the background. Their fathers, Sgt. Jeff Gomer and Sgt. 1st Class Rodney O’Dell, are currently deployed with the Airborne Cavalry to Afghanistan in support of the Global War on Terrorism.



Above: The daughter of Capt. Joey Hutto currently serving with HHT, 1-91 Cav in Afghanistan, displays her catch of rainbow trout at the end of the day.

Out & About



By Dorothy Spagnuolo

Events

Vicenza: City museums are staying open an extra hour during the months of July and August – the *Teatro Olimpico*, *Palazza Chiericati* and the *Museo Naturalistic Archeologico* open 9 a.m.-6 p.m..

The *Museo del Risorgimento e della Resistenza*, located just past the church at Mount Berico is open 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2:15 to 6 p.m.

All of these museums are closed on Mondays.

Venice: With more than 100 exhibitions from 76 countries, the Venice Biennale is the world's most important art exhibition. The exhibitions close Nov. 21.

Markets

Asolo: No antique market during July or August.

Vicenza: No Sunday market during August.

Quiet Hours

As a matter of courtesy during the summer, many towns impose a quiet time. This means mowing the lawn, cutting hedges, wood or using any noisy machinery may be done Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 2:30 -7 p.m.

On weekends or national holidays work hours are 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and 3-6 p.m.

Classified Ads

NOTE: The Outlook does not take classifieds and we only print ads placed during the last week.

Sellers must place ads on www.vicenzamwr.com.

Buyers must go to the Vicenza MWR Web site, www.vicenzamwr.com for details about items for sale below.

1992 Silver BMW 520i: Great car, very reliable. \$1,500, OBO.

Wanted: Queen-size mattress and box spring.

PCS sale: Everything must go. Appliances (220v) vacuum, decoder and dish, air conditioners and more.

2002 Kia Carnival: Diesel, European specs, good condition. \$9,000, OBO.

1991 Mazda B2200: Pick-up truck with camper top. \$500.

Futon wanted: Will pay up to \$100.

1992 Fiat Panda: Good condition. \$750.

Free bunnies: I have two rabbits in need of a very good loving home.

This also applies to stereo, television and radio volume.

Palio of the rafters

July 29: The 'Palio degli Zatterieri' palio of the rafters, celebrates the time-honored tradition that offered income and a connection between the poorer mountain communities and the more-developed plains of Veneto.

Held in the Brenta River, which flow through the town of Valstagna, the palio is a race between rafters who navigate craft made out of logs of wood.

The event starts at 3 p.m. when the streets of the town come alive with processions of competitors from the various districts.

The race starts at 5 p.m. Organizers suggest not to park in the center of the town and to arrive earlier than 3 p.m. otherwise you could remain blocked.

All main roads in the center of the town will be blocked off to traffic in the early afternoon.

Directions from Vicenza (46 km): take the SS248 in the direction of Schiavon then S. Nazario, then the SS47 in the direction S. Nazario to arrive at Valstagna.

Festival Latino Americando

The spirit of Latin America has

hit Milan with a bang, as thousands flock to the grounds of the city's *Assago* for the 17th Festival Latino Americando.

Assago is located on the outskirts of Milan's city center – open 6 p.m.-2 a.m. daily through Aug. 26.

Entrance fees range from 6 euro upwards, depending on the concert and the day. For details and online booking go to the Web site: www.latino.americando.it, in Italian but easy to understand.

Tomato fest

The town of Cappella del Scorze, province of Venice, is celebrating its *Festa del Pomodoro*, tomato festival, through July 30.

July 28 at 7 p.m. food stands open offering dishes with the tomato as the main ingredient. At 9 p.m. go dancing to the Falsi d'Autore Orchestra

July 29 the events start at 9:15 a.m. with a parade of Fiat 500s; 9:30 a.m.-7 p.m. it's Motocross Day. At noon the food tent opens and starting at 4 p.m. you can take a ride in a horse and cart through the main streets of the town. Finish off at 7 p.m. by dancing to the Fausto e Sabrina Orchestra.

July 30 food tents open at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. dance to the Oriana & Loris Orchestra. The event ends at midnight with a fireworks display.

Hot tub/spa: Never used inflatable spa with cover/pump. Big enough for four. \$600.

Italian fresco: \$250.

Bathroom mirror and medicine cabinet: \$50.

Wanted: Will house or pet-sit until Aug. 14.

Dog wanted: Prefer large, female dog for companionship.

Italian refrigerator: Good condition.

2004 Audi A4: Avant, perfect condition. 17,500 euro.

1996 Ford Contour: In storage for 8 years. \$5,000.

Cocker Spaniel puppy wanted.

1994 Mini Cooper convertible: Runs great \$4,200, OBO.

Babysitter needed.

AFN decoder: \$100.

Want to visit Freckles: Looking for a Whippet/Dalmation mix answering to the name of Freckles.

1995 Honda Passport: Many extras. \$1,000.

Female Kitten: Francesca is 11

weeks old, has shots, wormed. \$25.

Dog walker needed: Small, energetic dog needs walking 2-7 times a week.

Transformers: Have several 220v-110v

Graco baby monitors: Excellent condition, make an offer.

Wanted: AFN decoder, will pay \$100.

Navitron Transonic 5000T GPS: Preloaded with Europe. \$350.

Women's Ray-ban sunglasses/case. \$70.

Vacuum: 1400w, \$15.

Microwave: 800w, \$20.

Iron: Excellent condition. \$10.

Cordless phone: \$5.

Extension cords: \$1 and \$2.

Transformer: 750w. \$8.

Toaster: Double-slice. \$2.

English Bulldog: Sweet, 10 months old, needs good home. \$700, OBO.

Taz needs a good home: Taz is a 1-year old Valpino, microchipped and needs a good home.

Now Showing

Caserma Ederle Theater

July 24	CLOSED	
July 25	Harry Potter & The Order of the Phoenix (PG13)	6 p.m.
July 26	The Condemned (R)	6 p.m.
July 27	Shrek the Third (PG)	6 p.m.
	Hairspray (PG)	9 p.m.
July 28	Shrek the Third (PG)	3 p.m.
	Bug (R)	6 p.m.
July 29	Shrek the Third (PG)	3 p.m.
	Hairspray (PG)	6 p.m.
July 30	CLOSED	
July 31	CLOSED	

Camp Darby Theater

July 26	Bug (R)	6 p.m.
July 27	Transformers (PG13)	6 p.m.
July 28	Transformers (PG13)	6 p.m.
July 29	Shrek the Third (G)	2 p.m.

Movie Synopsis

HARRY POTTER AND THE ORDER OF THE PHOENIX

Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson. As his fifth year at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry approaches, Harry Potter is in full-blown adolescence, complete with outbursts of rage, a huge crush, and the blooming of a powerful sense of rebellion. It's been yet another infuriating and boring summer with the despicable Dursleys, this time with minimal contact from our hero's non-Muggle friends from school. Harry is feeling especially edgy at the lack of news from the magic world, wondering when the freshly revived evil Lord Voldemort will strike. Returning to Hogwarts will be a relief – or will it?

THE CONDEMNED - *Steve Austin, Vinnie Jones.* A select group of death row inmates are offered the opportunity to compete in a deadly game on an abandoned island for one week. The winner of the game will have his or her sentence dropped down to life imprisonment and avoid execution.

HAIRSPRAY - *John Travolta, Queen Latifah.* Tracy Turnblad, a big girl with big hair and an even bigger heart, has only one passion – dancing. Her dream is to appear on "The Corny Collins Show," Baltimore's hippest dance party on TV. Tracy seems a natural fit for the show except for one not-so-little problem – she doesn't fit in. Her plus-sized figure has always set her apart from the cool crowd, which she is reminded of by her loving but overly protective plus-sized mother, Edna. That doesn't stop Tracy because if there is one thing that this girl knows, it's that she was born to dance.

BUG - *Ashley Judd, Michael Shannon.* A lonely waitress with a tragic past, Agnes rooms in a run-down motel, living in fear of her abusive, recently paroled ex-husband. But when Agnes begins a tentative romance with Peter, an eccentric, nervous drifter, she starts to feel hopeful again – until the first bugs arrive.

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

Vicenza spouses and community members participate in the Battlemind Training offered by Army Community Service at the Davis Soldier and Family Readiness Center at the end of June. In the past months ACS has been offering the training to support spouses and families during the period of deployment. Starting Aug. 1, and each Wednesday of the month, ACS will hold the Battlemind & Financial Readiness Training for Spouses, focusing on learning techniques and tapping into

resources to help reconnect during the rest and recuperation leave (R&R).

Classes will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Lunch and child care are provided. For any information and reservations call ACS at 634-7500. (Photo by Laura Kreider, Outlook Staff)



Caserna Ederle Briefs

Saturday Childcare

The Child Development Center, bldg 395, is open for hourly care on Saturdays from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Reservations must be made two weeks in advance. Walk-in care will be provided if space is available.

The cost is \$4 per hour or parents can use their deployment card to pay for care.

For details call 634-7559.

Battlemind and Financial Readiness for Spouses

ACS offers classes to learn techniques and tap into resources to help reconnect with your Soldier during the upcoming rest and recuperation.

Classes are offered Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Lunch and childcare are provided, but reservations are required.

Call ACS at 634-7500.

Lost or Stolen ID Card Security and Awareness Seminar

Anyone in the Vicenza military community who loses or has his ID Card stolen is required to attend a seminar.

The training is held every Thursday from 3:30-5:30 p.m. in the Central Processing Facility (bldg 311) classroom.

Vicenza Health Clinic hours change

Beginning Aug. 2, the Vicenza Health Clinic hours will be 1-4:30 p.m. Thursday a.m.

Training will continue to be conducted on Thursday morning.

Army Career Alumni Program briefing

July 30: Veterans Administration benefits briefing ACAP Center, bldg 333. 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Call ACAP at 634-7188 or 7189.

Soldiers' Theatre auditions

Calling all experienced and novice actors, singers and dancers to schedule a private audition for Soldiers' Theatre 2007-2008 season.

The season's first show will be *Billy Ball*, an exciting script that employs the works of Shakespeare within a sporting context.

Four males and three females are

needed to fill the cast for this year's official entry in the IMCOM-E One Act Theatre Festival held in Heidelberg, Germany Oct. 6-8.

Vicenza performances will be held the last week of September.

Those not cast in *Billy Ball* may qualify for the Monologue Fest held the same weekend.

Call 634-7281 to schedule your audition.

Child and Youth Services notes

CYS has added two more programs starting in July.

There are now two free Family Readiness Group meeting nights each month.

The procedures to book meeting space and childcare remain the same.

Please note that requests for meeting locations as well as the child names from the FRG Leader and/or FRSA must still be received by the 1st of the month in order to make the system work best.

Call CYS at 634-7740 for details.

Outdoor Rec rentals

Vicenza Outdoor Recreation now rents jogging strollers for \$5 a day.

Also available for rent are mountain, touring and cruiser bicycles for \$5 a day or \$20 a week. Bicycle helmets are available for \$1 a day, \$4 a week.

Rock climbing, SCUBA equipment, skis, golf clubs and camping equipment, tents and other items are also available.

Call Outdoor Rec at 634-7453 for a complete rental list.

MOMS Club events

MOMS Club of Vicenza's next park day is July 27 in Piazzolo at 10 a.m. Non-members are welcome.

The next monthly meeting picnic is July 30, 10:30 a.m. at Villaggio Park. Bring a picnic lunch.

For details about MOMS Club and activities e-mail momsclubofvicenza@yahoo or contact Deanna at 0444-945-105 or Amber at 334-700-8443.

Prevention of Sexual Harassment for Italian employees

The Equal Employment Opportunity office is conducting Prevention of Sexual Harassment training in Italian for Caserma Ederle

Child and Youth Services soccer clinic hold

A soccer skills clinic will be held Aug. 6-10. Enrollment for the clinic ends July 31 and cost \$25.

Soccer season enrollment is Aug. 1-24. The cost is \$36 for ages 3-18. Practice begins Sept. 4. Youth must be registered CYS members, have a valid ID card and Social Security number, two emergency contact phone numbers and a current health assessment.

For details call CYS Sports and Fitness at 634-6151.



Italian employees Sept. 6.

Classes are one hour and are offered at 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. in the Ederle Theater.

This training is mandatory and required annually.

Call Ric Medina, EEO, at 634-7084 for details.

VFW book drive

VFW Post 8862 is collecting books, DVDs, CD and VCR tapes to send to the Soldiers in Afghanistan.

Community members wishing to donate items can drop them off at Official Mail and Distribution facility, located by the Finance Office, bldg 28.

Call Ron Reynolds at 634-7451 for details.

Youth Basketball clinic

Enrollment is underway for the Aug. 13-17 Basketball clinic for ages 8-18.

Youth must bring two complete emergency contact information sheets, Social Security number for child, valid ID card and current health assessment. Cost is \$25. Register at CYS Central Registration, bldg. 108 or call 634-7219 for details.

CYS Tennis clinic

Child and Youth Services is offering a Tennis Clinic for youth ages 6-18, Aug. 13-14, 5-6 p.m.

Texas Senior Champion, Col. (Dr.) James Houston is instructing. All participants will receive a T-shirt.

Register by Aug. 10 at CYS Central Registration.

CYS is also looking for coaches to help out with Tennis and Cross Country in the fall the season will begin the week of Sept. 17.

Call 634-6151 for information.

Share your college knowledge

College Night, hosted by MWR and DoDDS, seeks college students and graduates to share their experiences with Vicenza High School students and parents Oct. 18.

If you are interested in sharing knowledge about your college, contact Sarah Penhallegon, 634-5087, by Aug. 20.

Youth Italian classes

Central Texas College and SKIES Unlimited are offering Gateway to Italian for youth.

For children ages 5-12, classes are Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9-10 a.m.

Classes for youth ages 13-18 are held from Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 9-11 a.m.

Two sessions are offered for each age group: July 23-Aug. 3 and Aug. 6-17.

For information or to register call Child and Youth Services Central Registration at 634-7219.

Total bicycle maintenance classes

Outdoor Recreation offers Level 1, Maintenance for your Bike, class Aug. 4-5, noon-4 p.m. both days.

This weekend session covers all of the Level 1 courses: tire/wheels, basic lube, chain replacement, brake pad adjustment and replacement and overall bike check and proper fit. Call 634-7453 to reserve your place in this popular class.

Vicenza Education Center notes

Registration for Term 1 begins Aug. 6. Term 5 classes run from Aug. 20-Oct. 20.

Soldiers using tuition assistance must go to the GoArmyEd.com Web site to enroll.

The next FAST GT improvement class is Aug. 6-24, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-10 a.m.

Contact the education counselor for details at 634-8933 or vicenza.edcenter@us.army.mil.

Gateway to Italian conversational language courses are Aug. 27-Oct. 20.

For details contact Angelo Sibilla, Central Texas College senior foreign language program manager

Ederle Chapel

For details regarding any of these services or events, call the chapel at 634-7519 (0444-71-7519).

Weekday Mass

Mass is now held at noon Wednesday-Monday.

Saturday Services

4-4:30 p.m.: Sacrament of Reconciliation, or by appointment
5 p.m.: Roman Catholic Mass

Sunday Services

*NOTE: Sunday School services are not held over the summer.

9 a.m.: Roman Catholic Mass
10:45 a.m.-noon: Catholic Religious Education
11 a.m.: Protestant worship
1:30 p.m.: Full Gospel Pentecostal worship and Children's church
4 p.m.: Lutheran Services
6 p.m.: Contemporary worship

Club Beyond

Club Beyond is a non-denominational group serving all the teens in the Vicenza community.

For details contact Jocelyn Cary at 634-6546 or 348-385-3476 or vicecb@yahoo.com.

Muslim Services

The khutba and prayer will take place in the post chapel conference room Fridays, just after 12 p.m.

For details, contact the chapel at 634-7519.

Jewish services

For details regarding Jewish services, contact Dr. Steven or Nancy November at november6@msn.com.

at angelo.sibilla@europe.ctcd.edu or call 634-7698.

Vacancy announcement

The Department of Defense Dependents Schools in Vicenza has a full-time opening for a secretary. Deadline to apply is July 27.

Applications may be picked up from the Mediterranean District Human Resource office or online at www.med-dso.eu.dodea.edu/vacancies.htm, located under Basic Application.

Family Fun Night

Family Fun Night at Club V is July 27, 6-8 p.m. and features pizza, lemonade, a DJ and dancing.

Adults pay \$5 and children 5th grade and under pay \$2.50. Kids receive a special club card and a drink. Purchase tickets at the door.

Operation Helping Hands underway

Child and Youth Services is collecting items for single Soldiers and children in Afghanistan. Donation boxes are located in the Child Development Center, bldgs 395 and 398, the Tax Relief office, Directorate of MWR office and the Teen Center.



Miss Peach (left), summer CYS intern, and a helper fold clothing donated by the community through Operation Helping Hands. The clothes will be sent downrange to Soldiers and families in Afghanistan. (Photo by Deniz Houston, Outlook volunteer)



(Above) Detail of Palladio's Basilica in downtown Vicenza. The architect started his project in 1549, but it was completed only after his death in 1614. (Below) View of Palazzo Chiericati, one of the creations of Palladio. He worked there from 1550 to 1557. It is included in the Saturday tour.



A couple of years ago, Vicenza offered the chance to visit a four-month long exhibit focused on the Palladian villas and the Veneto villas. Next year is an extremely important time for the city, which is getting ready to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the birth of its most important architect, Andrea Palladio.

Celebrations will focus on a deeper knowledge of the personality of the architect and his personal style throughout a big exhibit produced by the International Center of Studies of Architecture Andrea Palladio (CISA). This will first open in September 2008, in *Palazzo Barbaran Da Porto*, one of the palaces in downtown Vicenza (entirely remodeled by Palladio). Later on, it will move to the Royal Academy of Arts in London and then conclude its tour in the States (possibly in Washington D.C., but at the moment the choice hasn't been determined).

In the meantime, Vicenza offers several possibilities to get in touch with the Palladian world. For the second year in a row, *Consorzio Vicenza E'* along with the Vicenza Province have organized an initiative, called "*Palladio per mano*", or hand in hand with Palladio. This consists of guided tours to some renowned sights in downtown Vicenza and in the nearby locations. They include many important works by Palladio and some villas created by him, including *Villa Capra*

Valmarana, called *La Rotonda*, (more below) and other local villas influenced by his style.

The tours that take place on Saturdays and Sundays offers different sites and they are available every weekend until mid-October. The Saturday tours begin at 2:30 p.m. in front of the Tourist Information Office on Piazza Matteotti and they are only by foot.

They include *Teatro Olimpico*, exteriors of *Palazzo Chiericati* and *Casa Cogollo*, called Palladio's house. Also, they continue to the *Palazzo Leoni Montanari* Galleries and a video-presentation of Palladio and "Palladianism".

The tour takes visitors through the *Palazzo Barbaran Da Porto* and ends with the *Duomo* after visiting the *Basilica Palladiana* and the *Piazza dei Signori*. The cost is 10 euro, (free for children up to 12 years) and includes guide services and entrance tickets to the monuments.

The Sunday meeting point is in *Viale Roma*, at the tourist bus departure area in the morning at 9. First stop is the *Monte Berico* sanctuary and a visit to the painting by *Paolo Veronese* "*La Cena di San Gregorio Magno*." After visiting the *Villa Valmarana ai Nani* (photo at left) -a villa built in 1669 renowned for its frescoes by *Giandomenico* and *Giambattista Tiepolo*- the tour continues with the exterior of *La Rotonda* before stopping at the *Villa Cordellina Lombardi* in *Montecchio Maggiore* to view the frescoes by *Giambattista Tiepolo*.

Participants will be back to Vicenza at about 1 p.m. Cost for this tour, which includes guide services, transfers by bus and entrance tickets to the villas is 15 euro. The combination of the two tours cost 20 euro. Guided tours are in Italian and English.

For more details, check the website www.vieniavicenza.org or call 0444-994770.



"La Rotonda"

Certainly the most celebrated among the Palladian villas and one of the most imitated buildings in the world is *Villa Almerico-Capra*, now *Valmarana*, better known as *La Rotonda*. It is the only centralized two-story pavilion created by the architect Andrea Palladio. He was born in Padova in 1508 and worked most of the time in the Vicenza area.

Palladio designed many villas commissioned to him by the wealthy Venetians who were used to developing agricultural

activities on the *terraferma*, the countryside around Venice. However, Monsignor Paolo Almerico, a papal prelate, nominated Palladio as the architect for *La Rotonda* because he desired to retire in the area of the Berici Hills after a long residence in Rome. Because of the different purpose of this villa, the architect planned *La Rotonda* without the *Barchesse*, usually two additional functional wings connected to almost all Palladio's other villas.

La Rotonda, started in 1566 and inhabited in 1569, was only completed after Palladio's death in 1580. His pupil, Vincenzo Scamozzi, added the entrance stairs and the dome. The project revealed a new concept of repeating the same front on the four façades. These consist of a pronaos with six ionic columns on each side of a cube, roofed with a dome inspired by the Pantheon of ancient Rome. The geometrical form of a circle inscribed in a square gives the name to the villa.

It's also very important to consider the surroundings that Palladio himself described as a "theater."

In her book, *Guide to Palladio*, Caroline Constant writes, "the site seems to have inspired Palladio's most unusual villa. Situated on top of a hill, it is framed on three sides by the cultivated fields of Monte Berico rising above at a distance. Palladio justifies repeating the entry portico on all four faces to take advantage of the beautiful views." In fact, the architect planned the four corners of the façades heading to the cardinal points in order to receive the best perception of light and shade during the daily hours all year long. Virgilio Rubini in 1591 and then, at the beginning of the 17th century, Alessandro Maganza and his son Giambattista created the interior decorations, such as stuccos and frescoes based on allegorical themes. In the early 18th century, Louis Dorigny executed the frescoes of the central room and part of the walls (see photo bottom left).



This villa, inspired other versions built in England and influenced many patrician mansions in the States, such as Thomas Jefferson's *Monticello*. Because of its influence on artistic culture worldwide, together with other Palladian buildings of Vicenza, *La Rotonda* is on the UNESCO World Heritage list.

Villa Capra Valmarana, "*La Rotonda*" is open daily until Nov. 4, from 10 a.m.-noon and 3-6 p.m. for the garden only; Wednesday is the only day to visit also the inside. The admission is 10 Euro. Groups must call at least four weeks in advance to visit during other hours. Call 0444-321793.

(Left) View of "*La Rotonda*" from the garden.

(Round photo at top) Detail of a fresco of the northern room ceiling in *La Rotonda* by Alessandro Maganza.