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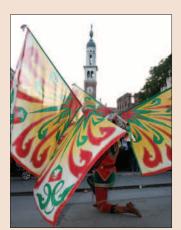
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# Afghan police get medical training

Story and photo by 173rd ABCT Public Affairs

NANGARHAR PROVINCE, Afghanistan – Afghan National Police officers graduated from an Army Combat Life Savers medical course conducted by the Nangarhar Provincial Reconstruction Team.

The class, which graduated eight officers, was a joint effort between the ANP and the military police from the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team and is believed to be the first class of its type conducted at the PRT, according to 1st Lt. Amanda Newsom, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 173rd Special Troops Battalion (Airborne).

"These policemen were hand selected by their respective district commanders to become the principle medics for their ANP stations," said 1st. Lt. Newsom.

The class was one day of fastpaced learning and all of the major life-saving measures were taught including treating sucking chest wounds, abdominal lacerations, amputated limbs, blocked airways and treating for shock.

All of the training culminated in a practical exercise conducted at the end of the day.

In the exercise, the policemen had just ten minutes to secure, treat and evacuate their suffering comrades to safety, said Newsom.

The simulated wounds varied and the treatments were limited to field-expedient measures.

"Through their ingenuity and dedication to duty, these Afgahn police didn't let any obstacle stop them from saving a life," said Newsom.

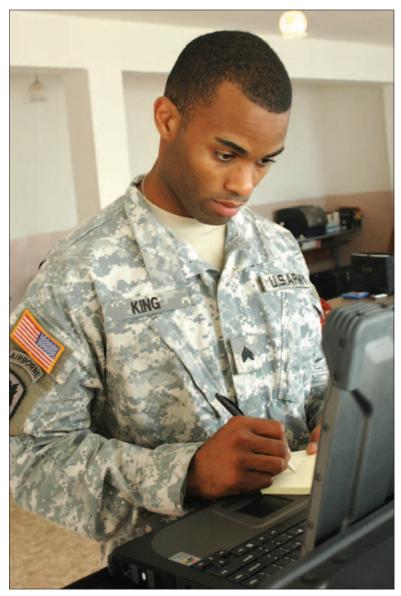
The training didn't stop at the PRT. ANP Sgt. Mujahid, from Kuz Kunar District, which is north of Jalalabad, took what he had learned and passed it on to his fellow policemen.

According to a release issued by the 173rd STB, the training was focused on the basic first-aid Soldiers would need during that "hot minute" when their life was on the line and his peers were extremely receptive.



An Afghan National policeman stabilizes the head of a "patient" before clearing his airway during the Combat Life Saver training with military policemen from the 173rd Special Troops Battalion (Airborne) and the Nangarhar Provincial Reconstruction Team. The joint training graduated eight ANP from the day-long class.

# 509th Signal fields new gear



Sgt. Rodney King, 509th Signal Battalion computer analyst configures the router on the Broadband Global Area Network system, which provides internet access and commercial phone lines to deployed units.

Story and photo by Pfc. Crystal Abbott Joint Task Force-East Lion Strike Public Affairs

**NOVO SELO, Bulgaria** — In today's fast-paced environment, it

is critical for deployed units to have instant communication capabilities regardless of how austere the location

The 509th Signal Battalion, deployed two Soldiers to Bulgaria in support of Joint Task Force-East Lion Strike to test a new Broadband Global Area Network system to provide all U.S. military personnel involved in the exercise with internet access and commercial phone lines. Sgt. Rodney King, a computer analyst, and Sgt. Eric Jackson, a radio operator, set up the system upon arrival Sept. 14.

"This system has been configured to provide Joint Task Force -East Lion Strike service members with commercial phones, military e-mail access and unclassified internet services," said King. "We also have a satellite radio that provides extra communication for us in case of emergencies."

The system can also provide users with a secure internet line, secure voice line and a video-telecommunication line, he said. A built-in router allows printing and scanning capabilities as well as many other features.

This equipment was acquired by the 509th in July of this year, but this is the first time it has been used in the field or in a mission, said King.

"They call this the EEP, or Early Entry Package," said King. "It is a critical part of the mission. This system can be moved in first to establish communication systems even before the main unit arrives," he said

Maj. William Johnson, executive officer for 1st Battalion, 94th Field Artillery (MLRS), is deployed with JTF-E Lion Strike in Bulgaria and has found the system to be helpful.

"It creates another means of connectivity with the chain-of-command, as well as giving us a means of transmitting documents" Johnson said. "Without it, communication would be much more difficult."

"Because of the world we live in, e-mail and internet access is necessary. Without that connectivity, we would be missing out on the information flow," said Lt. Col. Bruce Sones, commanding officer, JTF-E Lion Strike.

"It enhances our ability to update our higher command efficiently and regularly, as well as communicate with outside agencies such as the ministry of defense, the embassy and the media," he said.

Setting up the system is relatively fast and simple, said King. First, the satellite receiver for the system is positioned so it receives a strong signal, then the computer can be hooked up to the system to provide internet.

This allows the Signal Soldiers to give units communication capability as soon as their boots hit the ground.

"This system gives troops on the ground means to communicate through phones and the internet where conditions would otherwise make it impossible," said King. "We are here to support our service members by providing mobile and reliable communication." 2 THE Outlook Sept.25, 2007

# Garrison News

## 2-503rd hosts video conference from Afghanistan



Sgt. 1st Class Michael Zeidler (offscreen) had the opportunity to talk to his wife Julie and sons, Braxton and Gunner during the video conference.

Story and photo by Spc. Kathryn Jorgenson, SETAF Public Affairs Office

Family members of paratroopers from the 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, had the opportunity to learn what their Soldiers are doing in Afghanistan.

Lt. Col. William Ostlund, commander of the 2-503rd, and Command Sgt. Maj. Bradley Meyers hosted a video conference for the families on Sept. 18 at the Caserma Ederle post theater.

The conference consisted of an operational update and slide presentation letting families know where their Soldiers were and what they were doing.

After the briefing family members participated in a question and answer period with Ostland and

Meyers

Approximately 50 spouses turned out for the event, most bringing their children with them in the hopes of having the opportunity to speak to their loved ones on camera.

"We will try to get every paratrooper on a video conference as soon as possible," said Ostland during the question and answer portion of the briefing.

One of the major concerns brought up was communication. With the remote location of the Soldiers, communication is sporadic at best and some Soldiers do not have regular access to phones or email.

Ostland stated that getting paratroopers rotated through the more technologically sound bases was a main priority for the commanders.

# September fever

#### Do you have it too?

Thoughts from Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Bill Phillips
Special to the Outlook

I don't know about you, but my family and I suffer every year from "September Fever." You won't find this disorder in any medical handbook, but I can assure you from personal experience that the condition really does exist. And what's worse, this disease is preventable.

It starts back in June, when so many routine responsibilities slow down or stop altogether and the summer begins. You become a good host for the disease as you go on leave and get some rest. And then, as the summer draws to its inevitable conclusion, you begin to prepare for the return of responsibilities that come around Labor Day.

If you are like me, you see so

much that needs to be done and there are always others around with even more really important things. Who will step up and help out with this or that?

Then, refreshed from your summer break, you volunteer and say, "Sure. I'll be glad to do that!" And then you say it again to somebody else. And again. And again. And again.

Everything goes along OK till September actually comes and you find yourself overwhelmed by your commitments. Things you know you should be enjoying now appear to be just another chore and you swear you don't know how you ever got this over committed.

Congratulations. You have "September Fever."

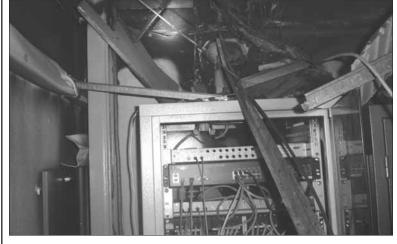
Do you know the story about the two sisters and the dinner party? Jesus was teaching in a home and the women of the family were preparing a meal for later.

One of the women became annoyed that her sister was just sitting around listening and not helping out with the preparations. When she complained to him, Jesus told the overly responsible Martha that it was not only OK for Mary to take a break and listen, but that it was preferred.

This life is a blessing from God and is meant to be enjoyed. Don't allow your schedule to become so full that you have no time to watch your child's game or concert.

Or that you are always too busy for fun. Sometimes life comes at us pretty hard and we have no choice about our commitments, but frequently we bring the stress on ourselves.

I hope your case of September Fever isn't too bad this year. By the way, we really could use a little more help over at the chapel.



### School fire caused by defective wiring

CASERMA EDERLE, Vicenza, Italy –Base fire investigators determined the cause of the fire at the Vicenza High School Sept. 17, was a result of defective electric wiring.

Caserma Ederle's Italian and U.S. firefighters quickly responded to a fire alarm Monday evening from the school. When firefighters arrived, there was visible smoke coming from the building. They entered the building and successfully isolated the fire approximately 10 minutes after receiving the call.

Nobody was present in the building at the time of the fire. There were no injuries. The estimated damage of the fire is \$80,000.

Local Vicenza firefighters arrived at approximately 10:50 p.m. and were available to provide mutual aid.

### Speak Out

### "Who has made the most impact on your life and why"



Shebree K. Dean,

American Red Cross
"My grandmother is such a
sweet, beautiful person. Her
spirit and patience makes her
a phenomenal women. Always
quick to listen and slow to
speak, forgiving and
understanding."



Christina Salas,

"My mother. She has gone through so much, yet she managed to raise my sister and I with a positive outlook on life. She's taught me that your attitude is the most significant factor in your success."



Staff Sgt. Justin Anderson,

"I would have to say my wife. I've learned a lot of things from a lot of good people, but no one has ever made we want to be the best person I can be, besides my wife. "



Debora & Xylia Higgins, Family member

"My husband, because he is serving his country and making it safe for everyone, including his family. Even though he is away a lot, he is doing it so that the world would be a safer place."



Steven Merlino,

Grade 12
"My mom has really influenced
me because she is always
there for me when I need her.
She knows just what to say
everytime."

# Garrison news

# **Jumping French-style**

Story by Spc. Kathryn Jorgenson, SETAF Public Affairs Office

Southern European Task Force Chief of Staff Col. Skip Davis and eight other SETAF Soldiers had the unique opportunity to participate in a jump hosted by the Ecole do Troupes Aeroportes (paratrooper school) in Pau, France and the 11eme Brigade Parachutists (11th Airborne Brigade) in Toulouse.

The U.S. played a vital role in the development of the French paratrooper and special forces corps, something the French have recognized in the newly renovated Paratrooper Museum located just outside of the school. The museum displays the different uniforms and weapons of significant periods in the French Airborne history.

The SETAF contingent participated in two jumps during their visit. The first was a conventional jump from a Spanish Casa aircraft, and the second was a tandem jump from 10,000 ft. with freefall students. Some the students carried tactical equipment weighing nearly 250 pounds.

Even in France, Sept. 11 was memorable", said Col. Davis. remembered in a formation as more than 600 military and civilians looked while French, Belgian and U.S flags were raised and the national anthems were played. "It was a simple ceremony, but effective and are being discussed.

"It was a great experience for everyone involved", said Davis after he returned to Vicenza. Future opportunities to train with the French and Belgian paratroopers



(Above) Col. Skip Davis, SETAF chief of staff, joins French commanders of the Ecole de Troupes Aeroportes in a salute during the Sept. 11 commemoration at the school. (Right) French and American paratroopers run off the drop-zone after a successful jump from a Casa CN-235 twin-engined cargo plane.





Hispanic Heritage month began with a cake cutting. In celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month, (L-R) Sgt.1st Class Stu Cameron, equal opportunity advisor, Sgt. Maj. Amaury Ochart, G-4, and Master Sgt. Tamika Anderson, equal opportunity advisor, cut the first slice during the ceremony held at the Post Exchange Food Court Sept. 21.

"This is a time in which we can join together and recognize the proud history and rich culture of Hispanic Americans," said Sgt. Maj. Amaury Ochart, SETAF G-4. The theme for this year's celebration is Hispanic Americans: Making a positive impact on American Society. (Photo by Laura Kreider, Outlook Staff)



(Above) SETAF chief of staff, Col. Skip Davis (second from left) and NATO liaison officer, Col. Aldo Rando, show the Mayor of Longare, Roberto Walczer (far right)and members of the Longare town council a bunker at the Longare site. The bunkers are primarily used for equipment storage and the barbed wire is slated to be removed in the near future. (Photos by Laura Kreider, Outlook Staff)

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### Captains retention bonus program

Military personnel has announced a new incentive program for all eligible captains.

The following eligibility applies: -Only Active Duty, Regular Army Officers are eligible

-Based on dates of rank, virtually all Captains in year groups 1999-2004 are eligible to participate

-Army Nurse and select Medical Service officers are also included

-This program is not open to NG/AR/IRR/AGR component

There are five options available for selection:

1. Critical Skills Retention Bonus (CSRB) - A tiered cash option based on the officer's accession branch in \$25K, \$30K, or \$35K amounts.

**25K** – Air Defense, Army Nurse, Engineer, Finance, Quartermaster, Signal Corps, and Selected Medical

**30K** – Adjutant General, Armor, Chemical, Military Police, Ordnance

**35K** – Aviation, Field Artillery, Infantry, Military Intelligence, Transportation

**2.Graduate School** - Graduate slots will be allocated based on availability and targeted towards YG's 03/04, but all Captains may

3. Military School - Officer may choose to attend either Ranger school or language school.

4.Branch/Functional Area of Choice-Normal procedures for processing/consideration will apply; however expedited processing will occur.

5.Post of Choice-Guaranteed stabilization for 24 months.

•All captains have received notification via AKO and must submit request as soon as possible. HRC has \$300 million available to spend prior to 30 September 2007

•Contractual agreements are completed by officer, reviewed and signed by first LTC and submitted directly to HRC

•Call SETAF G-1, Katrina G. Reyter, 634-7454 for more information.

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# **Community events**

# 1-91 Cav kids earn spurs



(Above, Left-Right) Young children participate in the physical training test to earn their spurs.





Photo feature by Michael Rundell 1-91st Cavalry FRSA

Special to the Outlook

Stetson and spurs are worn only by the Soldiers assigned to the Cavalry. However, these items can not be worn by any just any cavalry trooper.

Before any trooper can don the coveted spurs and black Stetson, they must first prove themselves worthy of the honor by demonstrating their skills during a "Spur Ride." Only then are they awarded the coveted title of spur holder and inducted into the "Order of the Spur."

Sept. 8, more than 70 children of the 1-91 Cavalry did just that by participating in the inaugural 1-91 Cavalry Kids Spur ride. In the tradition of having to "earn your spurs," the candidates had the chance to pit their skills and determination against a course designed to challenge and entertain.

The events included an obstacle course, camouflage station, physical training, drill and ceremony, weapons simulator training, hand grenade course, sand bag relay, tug-of-war contest and a paintball assault course.

A great event and day was had by spur candidates and families alike. At the end of the spur ride, 1st Sgt. Domingus Lee and Sgt. 1st Class Kevin Timmons, 1-91 Cav Rear Detachment, inducted all the successful spur candidates into "The Order of The Spur."

So parents beware, there are a lot of Cav children who have earned their spurs and demonstrated the grit, determination and know-how to use them: don't make them "put the spurs to ya."

(Left, Left to Right) Elijah O'Lear, Beau Timmons, Rafael De Almeida and Josh Johnstone test their strength during the tug-ofwar event. (Left, Bottom) Aoy negotiates the low crawl portion of the Obstacle course. (Below) A child can't quite make it through the tire obstacle.

# **Community events**

# No horsing around for Darby Scouts



Joshua Downes practices his horsemanship skills at a local Italian ranch.

Story and photos by **Stephen Speck Boy Scout Troop #76** Special to the Outlook

Three members of Boy Scout Troop 76 started their weekend with a five-mile hike in the fields of Fauglia, Italy, with a satellite map and a compass.

When James Speck, Joshua Downes and I completed this tough trek Friday night we then went back

to camp to set up our tent and made a delicious dinner of hotdogs and hamburgers on a propane stove. We refrained from building a fire because we didn't want to upset horses nearby.

The next day we got up at 7:30 a.m. and worked on our horsemanship merit badge. We had to describe the safety precautions you should take when handling and caring for a horse.

We explained and demonstrated

how to approach and lead a horse safely from a stall, corral, or field and how to tie the horse securely.

We learned how to safely mount and ride a horse and how to dismount safely. We even had to polish the saddles.

"I thought that the horsemanship camp was hard, but fun," said Joshua Downes.

"I enjoyed the work it took to earn this merit badge because I received a reward for the work I did



Assistant Scoutmaster Barry Speck leads Joshua Downes on a horse at a local Italian ranch. Downes practiced his horsemanship skills in order to earn the horsemanship merit badge.

and was able to do it with friends."

Assistant Scoutmaster Barry Speck added that working with horses is something few boys get to do.

"It gives the boys the opportunity to experience riding a horse and learning to take care of a very large, live animal," said Barry Speck.

"Through learning these basic skills, the boys see different ways of approaching situations. They also see that their time out of the States can bring them new experiences," he said.

"I joined Boy Scouts because I just moved here and I thought that it would be a good way to make some new friends," said Joshua Downes.

Fellow scout, James Speck, says he joined Boy Scouts because it sounded like fun and because he wants to be an Eagle Scout.

"There are a lot of benefits to being an Eagle Scout," says Speck.

"You can get letters from the President, famous actors and astronauts. If you join the Army or Air Force after being an Eagle Scout, you get an automatic promotion. Plus, you can get college scholarships like the full four-year one that is offered by Lamar University College of Engineering."

I joined because I could see all the fun my brother James was having and I didn't want to miss out.

Earning a horsemanship badge is only one of the many fun things I've learned to do in Boy Scouts. I hope if you are a boy age 11 - 18 that you think about joining the Camp Darby Boy Scouts. For more information about joining or volunteering, please call 633-7018 or email scouts.darby@us.army.mil.

(Steven Speck is currently working on earning his journalism merit badge. Writing a story and taking photos is only one of the many tasks he must complete .)

### **Camp Darby Youth** Services wins grant

Story and photo by Joyce Costello USAG Livorno

Camp Darby's Youth Services program was looking for a way to enhance its digital arts program under recent budget cuts, the evershrinking value of the dollar to Euro and reduction in staff hours.

Thomas Adderley, a nonppropriated funds employee at U.S. Army Garrison Livorno, was able to identify a solution.

"It's been incumbent upon those of us at Youth Services to scrap for every opportunity. In this case, I received a last minute e-mail from a friend notifying me of Boys and Girls Clubs of America solicitation for grant proposals," said Adderley. "It looked to me like we had a fairly good shot at winning at least one of the grants, so I figured I'd devote some time to putting the proposal together."

BGCA had solicited proposals for two Club Tech Mini Grants for music and photography. Adderley applied for both, scrambling to enter before the deadline.

"I think I managed to e-mail them our entry 45 minutes before close of business on the last day," said Adderley.

Adderley's quick reaction resulted in Camp Darby's Youth Services winning the music program grant.

"We were

one of 60

worldwide

organizations

selected,"

Adderley.

were

very

that

"I'm



excited that we managed Thomas Adderley towin because now we will have digital music software, microphones and external hard-drives. The kids are going to love it."

Adderley added the grant demands that they submit entries in several age groups for music making within the next two years. It also calls for instructional and project time each week.

"Though I'm sure that by winning the grant it means a bit more work for me, it also means more effective work," said Adderley.

The equipment is expected to arrive at the end of October. Adderly's goal is to improve the photography program next.

### **Vill**aggio tree shows Soldier support

Story and photo by Laura Kreider Outlook Staff

Juana Paulino created a "Support Our Troops" tree in her Villaggio yard with yellow ribbons about a month ago.

"I started it with my daughter Zianna, "Paulino said.

"She helped me cut the ribbons and did the sign [Support our Troops tree] and put the ribbons on," she explained.

"Anyone can come by, use the marker and put the first name of the person they know who is down range to wish them a safe return," said Paulino.

"They can also put anybody's name on, even if they are from here, or from the States or anywhere else that they are deployed."

Everybody who has seen this eye-catching tree has responded positively.

"It really is beautiful. Come by and see for yourself," said Kellena Miller, a family member who also lives in the neighborhood.

"This is a good way to show support for the community in Villaggio," Miller added.



Zachary Paulino and his sister Zianna place ribbons on the "Support our Troops" tree located in their yard in Villaggio.

#### **Exhibitions**

Hobbies & Decorations is the exhibition that takes place at the fair grounds in <u>Vicenza</u> Sept. 25-28. Find ideas and accessories for your freetime interest. Open everyday from 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m., there will be an entrance fee.

The next exhibition, *Sat Expo* from Oct. 4-6 is for trade persons, this is an exhibition for satellite telecommunications and related fields in Europe and the Mediterranean basin, open each day from 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

Shark expo: More than 32 sharks are to be admired in the Palazzo del Turismo in the <u>Lido di Jesolo</u> until Sept. 30. See the sand tiger shark, bull shark, hammer shark and the nurse shark amongst others. The Palazzo is open from 10 a.m.-noon and 8-11 p.m. entrance fee is 8 euro, children 5-12 years of age 5 euro, under 5 free;

#### Calling all collectors

The autumn edition of <u>Parma</u>'s important fair dedicated to collectors of all genres, tastes and interests will be held until Sept. 30. Called *Mercanteinfiera Autunno*, it offers more than a thousand exhibitors, divided into sections dedicated to furniture, china, books, jewelry, silver, memorabilia, toys, etc., in what the organizers describe as a veritable "magic chest" of collectable items.

The fair is open from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. every day. Entrance fee: 9,50 euro. Directions from Vicenza – 148 km: autostrada A4-A22 exit at Mantova Nord take SS482 and SS10 in the direction of Mantova, then SS420, SS343 direction Colorno and the SS343 to Parma.

#### One man

Stefan Berkoff will perform in the

Teatro Olimpico on Oct. 5-6 in a show entitled *One Man*, he will recite, in English, *Tell-Tale Heart* by Edgar Allan Poe and *Dog* by Steven Berkoff. Tickets range from 18-25 euro and are available from the Teatro's ticket office which is open from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. closed on Mondays or from www.vivaticket.it.

#### **Venice Marathon**

The <u>Venice</u> marathon is October 28 this year and you will find it is flat and basically downhill, it has a start time of 9:15 a.m. in the town of Stra, province of Venice, and will take you along the River Brenta in front of the Palladian Villas of the area.

The participants arrive in Venice via the *Liberty Bridge*, which links the mainland to the city. After crossing a floating bridge 400 feet long over the Grand Canal leading to St. Mark's Square, runners reach the Riva dei Sette Martiri where the finishing line is located. Full information and booking on line can be had at <a href="https://www.venicemarathon.it">www.venicemarathon.it</a>

#### **Furniture from Cerea**

Refined furnishings, a sense of style but also good taste when it comes to food and wine. All of these are being combined in Cerea, province of Verona, the hub for furniture manufacturing, during the Arte & Gusto expo which will be held Sept. 30.

The event will highlight both the classic style of the Veronese plains coupled with the culinary specialties and wines of Veneto.

Visitors who want to relax will be able to go to two special areas featuring samples of such specialties as *sarde in saor*, sorpressa Vicentina sausages, and horsemeat *cavallo*. There will also

be an osteria featuring typical dishes prepared by two restaurants on the Slow Food list, as well as an enoteca featuring great wines.

Arte & Gusto will also highlight the production of furniture in the Verona area, with special displays and *style rooms* that will offer ideas for decorating. Open from 10 a.m.-6 p.m, entrance is free. Cerea is 60 km from Vicenza.

#### Bell museum

In Villa Fogazzaro-Roi-Colbacchini in the town of Montegalda, 18 km from Vicenza, you can find one of the world's largest museum dedicated to bells.

Established at the initiative of the St. Mark's Bell School in Vicenza, with a contribution from the previous Bishop of Vicenza, Pietro Nonis, find hundreds of bells of all types and sizes from an endless variety of locations.

In terms of both the number and the quality of the pieces, the new museum has an edge over Holland's bell museum, as well as over the existing Italian bell museum in Isernia. Included in the exhibit are the 221 large-scale 'pieces' on exhibit outside of the villa and in the courtyard and lower porticos.

In addition to the bells made in Italy and the Veneto region, there are also specimens from China, Burma, Thailand, Egypt and Africa. Also find bells that have brought to Italy by monks and missionaries before the year one thousand.

The Museum also displays examples of foundries that range from fixed industrial plants to the mobile models of traveling artisans. In addition, it houses a 10-key carillon which still functions, along with countless tiny bells, chimes, ships bells and objects used in

place of bells, such as the "batole", a name taken from the local dialect.

Open: through Oct. Tuesday-Friday: 9 a.m.-noon and 3-6:30 p.m., Saturday: 3-6:30 p.m.; Nov.-Feb.: open only on Saturday 1:30-5 p.m., there will be a small entrance fee.

#### Car museum

The Automobile Museum "Luigi Bonfanti" in the town of Romano d'Ezzelino, in the province of Bassano, has Maserati cars and equipment on display.

The exhibit 'Maserati 1957-2007 – 50 years of the Formula One' the cars that include the Tipo 26b-1927-1930, Tipo A6GCS/53 and the MC12 2004-2007. Open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m.-noon and 2-6 p.m., entrance fee 6 euro. The exhibition closes on Oct. 21

#### .Medieval event

The historical center of Thiene, located 25 km from Vicenza is

preparing for another medieval festival.

By Dorothy Spagnuolo

Oct. 5-6, the town will host a Renaissance market. The vendors, all in medieval costume will be selling agricultural produce of the area, handcrafted products, herbs and spices and more.

Purchase of the items can be made in the antique money of 15th century which is available at exchange booths. Both days the market opens at 9:30 a.m. and closes at 10 p.m.

Entertainment will be provided in the various squares of the town by jugglers, story-tellers, poets and street artists, as well as popular games songs and dances of the time. Food stands and 'taverns' will be in operation. Full information on <a href="https://www.comune.thiene.vi.it">www.comune.thiene.vi.it</a>, in Italian only.



Renaissance market festivities held in historical Thiene each year. This year the events take place over the weekend of Oct. 5-6. Thiene is a short 25 km drive from Caserma Ederle. (Photo courtesy of Comune di Thiene)

### **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 listed for sale below.

1998 Chrysler Neon: Euro specs, manual transmission. \$2200 OBO.

Refrigerator and range/oven, like new. \$600 each or \$1100 for both.

New 220 volt A/C unit, \$700. Other items, fans, transformers, kitchen appliances. Make offer.

2001 E200 Mercedes-Benz Elegance: Like new, \$15,500.

Housekeeping help: Need someone to houseclean one day a week. Need to have own transportation.

Tae kwon do set of sparing gear like new. \$75, OBO.

2001 A-4 Audi sports wagon: Recently serviced, \$9,700 OBO.

1994 Honda Accord wagon: Euro specs, well maintained. \$2,700 OBO.

1998 Citroen Xsara: Manual, excellent condition, Right-hand drive. \$3,000, OBO.

Yard Sale: Sept.12, 10-1 Monday-Friday until its gone. Villaggio 106B. Italian twin mattress, barely used. 100 euro. Plus size cold weather men and womens clothes: Assorted sizes, prices.

Playmate or babysitter for 5 year old Italian boy: Male English-speaker who can also babysit preferred.

Graco portable baby crib: Slightly used, make offer.

Free Samsung TV: You pick up. Free trundle twin-size day-bed.

Looking for a big dog: One that would bark at strangers, yet good with kids and other dogs.

Chest freezer:220v, \$30.

Coca-Cola fridge, 220v, \$30.

Japanese solid wood platform bed: Queen size, with mattress. \$600. Need a yard cut? I will cut it for

\$10. Weeding, edging is \$5 extra. XBOX & PS2 games: Have 10.

All for \$35, or \$3 each. Hitachi Projector tv: 110/220v.

\$600.
Dell 15" LCD computer monitor.
Dual voltage. \$100.

Radio Flyer: \$75, OBO.

Step2 video center and Samsung TV/VCR. \$75 OBO, for both.

Samsung VCR. Converts the signal format of any signal into the format you desire. \$175 OBO.

1997 Ford Explorer: Good shape. \$4,500 OBO.

Xbox and PS2 games. Assorted proces. Controllers: \$25.

NordicTrack Elliptical Trainer, \$150

Playstation 3: \$400 OBO. DVD Burner/external. \$100

Red Sherpani Wahoo child carrier. \$40.

Kool Stride jogging stroller: \$60 Dining room table and chairs: Good condition, \$150.

CD/MP3 player w speakers: \$50 Apple Mac iBook: \$1500.

LG Microwave 220V. Like new condition. \$35.

SAGEM cell phone: Like new. \$60.

HP Palm pilot. \$60. Fuji Fine Pix digital camera. \$60. Magellan GPS. \$65

1994 BMW 318i.: Runs well. \$1,800.

1990 740 Turbo Volvo, US specs, manual, 56,450 miles \$250

Free five month old kitten, cute, playful, needs a loving home.

details.

Free dog: Relocating, good with

1996 Ford Taurus GL: Call for

kids, house trained. Lawn mower for \$80.

Lawn mower for \$80 Need 5ft of fence.

Need 5ft of fence

OBO.

2005 Dodge Caravan: Nice condition. \$14,000.

Miniature longhair Dachshunds

for sale. BMW 320i convertible: \$4,000,

### Now Showing

### Caserma Ederle Theater

Sept. 26	Trransformers (PG-13)	6 p.m.
Sept. 27	I Now Pronounce You	
	Chuck & Larry (PG-13)	6 p.m.
Sept. 28	Who's Your Caddy? (PG-13)	6 p.m.
	Resident Evil: Extinction(R) (1st Run)	9 p.m.
Sept. 29	Underdog (PG)	3 p.m
	Resident Evil: Extinction(R) (1st Run)	6 p.m.
Sept. 30	Underdog (PG)	3 p.m.
	Hairspray (PG)	6 p.m.

#### Camp Darby Theater

Who's Your Caddy? (PG-13)	6 p.m
The Brothers Solomon (R) (1st Run)	6 p.m.
Hairspray (PG)	6 p.m.
Underdog (PG)	2 p.m.
	The Brothers Solomon (R) (1st Run) Hairspray (PG)

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

#### **Movie Synopsis**

WHO'S YOUR CADDY? - Antwan 'Big Boi' Patton, James L. Avery. Rap mogul C-Note runs into opposition when he tries to join the super stuffy country club. As the club's leadership desperately tries to revoke his membership, our hero realizes that his family's honoris at stake. Rated PG-13 (crude and sexual content, nudity, language, drug material) 93 min

#### UNDERDOG - Alex Neuberger, Peter Dinklage.

A bumbling watchdog gets exposed to a substance that gives him the powers of a superhero. He is adopted by a 12-year-old boy and uses his superpower to protect his love and the citizens of Capitol City from the evil Simon Barsinister. Rated PG (crude humor, language, action) 84 min

# Community

#### Gas coupons expire

Italian gas coupons will expire Sept. 30. No extensions or exceptions.

#### Garden dedication

The Vicenza military community is invited to attend a garden dedication on Sept. 26 from 4-5:30 p.m. in front of the Davis Soldier Family Readiness Center.

Nan Williamson, daughter of the late Margaret Williamson, the first 1st Lady of the 173rd Airborne Brigade will be on hand for this special ceremony to honor all of Williamsons' contributions to Soldier's and families

#### YS homework center

The Youth Services Homework Center in the post library is a place where youth can sit down and work on their homework in a quiet environment.

There is a YS staff on-hand to assist with homework. The center is equipped with four computers for youth to work on homework (priority) or simply check email.

The Homework Center is open school days from 3-6 p.m. for grades 6-12.

#### Lose to Win

"Lose to Win" is a 10-week program designed to help you learn new fitness techniques in cardio and weight training.

Improve your overall health and life by reducing the risk of diseases and maintain a healthy weight.

This program is for U.S. ID cardholders over 18 years of age.

#### College Fair

Vicenza High School's College Fair will be held Oct. 24 from 5-7 pm. This year the school will partner with MWR to make the event a community bash. Youth in grades 7-12, their parents and spouses of deployed servicemembers are encouraged to attend.

There will be more than 75 alumni scheduled to present their colleges, to include American schools in Europe.

The school will also offer a MyRoad workshop, a parent panel. and an admissions workshop.

A tailgate party ends the event. Contact Carol Kabonick, VHS guidance counselor at 634-7882 for details.

#### Commissary closure

The Vicenza Commissary will be closed Sept. 26 for Organizational Day.

#### Holiday auditions for Soldiers' Theatre

Soldiers' Theatre will hold auditions for the Gift of the Magi and A Mini Christmas Carol Oct. 17, at 6:30 p.m.

Singers, dancers, and actors are needed for the show.

The Gift of the Magi is an operetta and has roles for a high soprano and a tenor who are able to play a young married couple.

A Mini Christmas Carol has roles for several adults and children over the age of eight. Also featured in the show will be a holiday dance and some choral songs.

No preparation is needed for the auditions.

7-9, and 13-15.

Anyone interested auditioning or working technically on the show should contact Bonnie or Ross Daniels at Soldiers' Theatre.

#### **ACS 2007 Couples** Challenge

Army Community Service is offering a chance for couples to compete for prizes, using their communication and problem solving skills Oct. 11, 18 and 25.

This event is sponsored in support of Domestic Violence Prevention Month.

There will be a Couples Scavenger Hunt, Relay Challenge, and a "How Well do You Know Your Partner?" Quiz Game.

Those participants with deployed spouses can bring a

The deadline for sign-up is Sept. 30. Call 634-7500 to make your reservation.

#### Family Adventure series

Outdoor Rec offers Family Adventure series featuring the following trips:

Sept. 27: Brendola Castle, 3:30-6:30 p.m.

Oct. 4: Hiking Lago di Fimon,

Oct. 11: Pianezza Walk, 3:30-7:30

Call Outdoor Rec at 634-7453, or 0444-71-7453 for reservations.

#### Gas refunds underway

AAFES is now accepting unused portions of fuel coupons for refunds.

months to refund their unused will be Dec. 31. They will only refund up to 2 months rations.

#### Finance closure

B-208th Finance will be closed from Oct.5 - 8. The Disbursing Office will remain open from 10a.m. – 2 p.m. Oct.5 and will be closed Oct.8. On future training holidays, the Disbursing Office will be opened from 10a.m.-2 p.m. for service.

#### Tax Relief Fee Increase

Due to a recent realignment of accounting functions, the Tax Relief Office has been required to manage accounts receivables. This new requirement has increased operating expenses, which must be recouped in user fees.

Annual fees will increase from \$110 per year to \$232. These fees will be invoiced on a quarterly basis (\$58 per quarter).

Italian government entities (state & region) levy taxes on natural gas at the rate of 48-54 percent, depending on the location.

Purchasing these utilities tax free provides our customers savings that range from \$1,200 to \$3,600 per household, over the course of a year. The collective benefit to our community is in excess of \$1.4M per year.

It should be noted that this number can vary greatly as there

Performances will be held Dec. are a significant number of variables (exchange rate, seasonal in temperatures, market value of natural gas, size of home, etc.).

It saves the U.S. government and you as a taxpayer.

As a special benefit to our deployed Soldiers, in FY 2008 they will not pay this fee.

If you have questions about the Tax Relief Office, please stop by our office in bldg 243, next to BNL Bank, call 634-7080 or e-mail the office at working@vicenzamwr.com.

#### Inside Afghan culture

Find out more about the Afghan Culture from leading expert visiting Vicenza Oct. 4, 6-8 p.m. at Davis Soldier and Family Readiness

The 30-minute presentation will be followed by a question and answer segment from the audience. Call 634-7500 for details.

#### Seeking Volksmarch coordinator

Outdoor Rec is seeking a contractor to coordinate the Sunday Volksmarch program.

Applicants should be bilingual (English-Italian), have extensive experience participating in Volksmarches in the Veneto region and possess previous experience as a trip guide.

Applicants should have good interpersonal skills and be proficient in MS Office applications.

Interested individuals should contact NAF Contracting at 634-7234, or 0444-71-7234 from off post.

#### **AFN Schweinfurt** radio signal

AFN Franconia does not have Customers have only three an FM radio frequency that reach the Schweinfurt area; however, all coupons. The last day for refunds local AFN radio broadcasting comes to the Schweinfurt area on 1143 AM.

> Turn to 1143 AM for all the latest news, entertainment and live programming from AFN Franconia.

> According to the AFN Eagle Web site, since the AM signal is stronger, all of the 'live' radio shows are broadcast on the AM frequencies.

#### Bus driver needed

The Student Transportation office has an opening for a parttime/seasonal Transportation Assistant.

Deadline to apply is Oct. 3. Call Beth Mitchell, DoDDS-Europe, at 634-8428 for details.

#### Billy Ball tickets on sale

Soldiers' Theatre presents Billy Ball Sept.28-29. Billy Ball is an exciting script that employs the works of Shakespeare within a sportingcontext.

Tickets are on sale now at Soldiers' Theatre Box Office, open Tuesday-Friday, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Call 634-7281.

#### Good news on decoders

Continuation of the DPW Decoder to Home program has been approved and funded for FY08.

This means the service will continue to include issue of decoders, installation of satellite dishes and repairs to all eligible personnel in private rental and

government leased housing.

Effective Oct. 1, a new contractor will be located with the appliance contractor at the Torri warehouse complex door #9 next to the CFMO office. The new number after Oct.1 is 0444-380-423.

Customers will continue to use the current contractor at their present location in Via Ca'Balbi 84, Vicenza telephone 0444-919-726 for services required up to Sept. 28.

Direct questions to Central Furnishings warehouse at 634-8759/ 7621, or 0444-71-8759 or 7621.

#### **Love from Home** greeting cards

Stop by the Arts & Crafts Center, Sept. 26-30, to create a handmade card to send to someone special.

It's free and all supplies are provided.

#### **Education Center** schedule

Term II runs from Oct. 22- Dec. 15 for Central Texas College and Oct.29 - Dec. 21 for the University of Maryland University College. Registration begins on Oct.8 for both schools and runs through the second day of class.

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

Contact the Education Counselor for details and assistance at 634-8933 or vicenza. edcenter@us.army.mil.

The Education Counselor office is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. Closed for lunch, noon-1 p.m.

Gateway to Italian conversational language course runs Nov. 5.-Dec. 21.

For details contact Angelo Sibilla 634-7698 or angelo.sibilla @europe.ctcd.edu.

The Army Learning Center computer lab and study lounge is open Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Classrooms are available for recognized groups or units to use for meetings and classes.

Call 634-8926 to reserve classroom space.

The Testing office is open Tuesday-Thursday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Closed noon-1 p.m. for lunch (may vary depending on exam).

Academic and military testing is available. Call 634-8126 or vicenza. testing@us.army.mil for details.

#### Aviano's Bella Befana bazaar

Take off and shop the world at Aviano's Bella Befana Bazaar, Sept. 28-29, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sept. 30 from 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at hangars 1,2 and the wash rack.

This huge event features vendors from around the world, food booths and entertainment.

Open to all NATO ID card and U.S. passport holders.

#### Technology exposition

The annual Vicenza Army Community Technology Exposition is Oct. 18 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Club Veneto.

More than 25 exhibitors will demonstrate the latest in communication technologies, engineering and IT products, solutions, storage management, audio-visual

#### Religious **Activities**

#### **Ederle Chapel**

For details 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

9 a.m.: 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

#### Muslim services

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

#### **Jewish services**

The Jewish High Holidays culminate with the celebration of Sukkot, starting the eve of Sept.26 and ends with Simchat Torah the eve of Oct. 4. You are invited to enjoy these holidays with hospitality in Venice.

Contact Rabbi Banin at rami770@hotmail.com for details.

#### Club Beyond

For details about Club Beyond youth activities, contact the chapel or Jocely Cary at 340-385-3476.

#### **Darby Chapel**

For details call the chapel at: 633-7267 (50-54-7267). 8:30 a.m.: Catholic

> Reconciliation 9:30 a.m.: Catholic Mass 11:15 a.m.: Protestant worship

equipment, hardware and software.

This event is hosted by the 509thSignal Battalion. For details or to request a specific company, please contact Jamie Koehler at koehler@ncsi. com. Skies Unlimited

#### Gateway to Italian

Skies Unlimited is partnering with Central Texas College to provide the Gateway to Italian language program to children ages

This partnership will give youth opportunity to learn conversational Italian.

Classes run Oct. 1-Oct. 12.and meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 3:30-4:30 p.m. and are held in the Education Center.

The same class will be offered Nov. 5-16, and again Dec. 3-14.

To enroll, call 634-7219 or 0444-71-7219 from off post.

#### **Art Center relocated**

As a reminder, the Vicenza Art Center is temporarily located in Outdoor Rec. The wood shop has not moved.

# Volleyball yields mixed results

Story and photos by Laura Kreider

Outlook Staff

While the Vicenza High School football team flew to Sigonella for an away game, Vicenza hosted many sports during this past weekend including cross country, tennis and volleyball.

At the Vicenza High School Gym, boys and girls volleyball teams from Milan and Mary Mount International played Vicenza.

They started on Friday night and played again on Saturday until midafternoon.

Vicenza Girls won both matches

3-0, while the Boys lost their matches.

"We did very well on our games," said Sabrina Vimoto, one of the VHS Volleyball Girls Team players after the match against MMI.

"When we watched them [MMI] play, we had the chance to see their skills, and it really helped us."

According to her sister (Captain) Ariel Vimoto, it really felt good to win both matches.

"I think Friday night's match was really good, but today [Saturday] we barely won but it was still a good game," Ariel Vimoto



(Above) The Cougars join for some team spirit after a hard earned point. (Right) Adrian Kabonick, VHS volleyball player sends the ball over the outstretched arms of MMI player no.18 Julian Modiano. (Below) Rachel O'Neill, No.15, makes the play over the net as her team lends their support.



### Weekend scores:

Cross-Country; VHS vs. Marymount and Milan, incomplete results, April Petersen 3rd in Girls' race.

Football; VHS defeated Sigonella 45-12

Volleyball (Boys); Milan defeated VHS 3-0 and Marymount defeated VHS 3-1. Volleyball (Girls); VHS

defeated Milan 3-0. VHS defeated Marymount 3-0.

Tennis (Boys); VHS vs. Marymount 1-0, and VHS vs. Milan 1-2.

VHS Boys number one seed Donovan Houston defeated both top ranked players from MMI and Milan.

Tennis (Girls): VHS vs. Marymount 0-2 and VHS vs. Milan 1-1.



Story and photo by **Lesely Gomez** Special to the Outlook

OperationWalk-4-Freedom is a wellness initiative for the entire community. The basis of the program is to combine physical training and support for the troops downrange by virtually walking to Afghanistan or Iraq along with other exercising.

Member Patti Johnson said, "This program has practically changed my life. I get myself up early in the morning and walk to Afghanistan, with my two children in their double stroller, I watch the sun rise. This program rocks."

For more information on the program call 634-8828.



#### **Sports with our** neighbors

The CYS Sports and Fitness Department would like to organize games with Italian child and youth teams, with players 7-15 years old, in soccer, basketball, tennis, baseball, softball, and cross country.

Interested coaches or players on host nation teams can call CYS Sports at 0444-71-

#### Open court play

Keep up your game with Sports and Fitness Open Court

Volleyball; Monday, Wednesday and Friday 7-8:45

Basketball; Monday, Wednesday and Friday 11:30a.m.-1:30 p.m., Saturday 11:30-5:45 p.m., Sunday 9 a.m.-5:45

Sand Volleyball; Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m.-5:45 p.m.

Tennis; Monday-Friday, 8-11:30a.m., 1-8:45 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 9 a.m.-5:45 p.m.

For information call 634-7009.

#### CYS tennis, cross country

The CYS Tennis Season ends Oct. 29. Practice is held Wednesday from 5:15-6:15 p.m. The season will end with a tournament on Oct. 29.

Cross country practice is held Tuesday and Thursday from 6-7 p.m. The season ends with a race Oct. 29.

Open to kids 6-18. Registration for tennis Sept.

The cost of both sports is \$25 which includes a t-shirt, and the equipment for tennis.

#### **Sports and Fitness** incentives

The Vicenza Sports and Fitness Center is offering the community incentives for working out.

Sports and Fitness introduces the runners' and bench press clubs, and the Gym Rat program.

All clubs are self-directed based programs. Participants will receive prizes after completion.

#### **Bowling leagues**

Fall Bowling Mixed Leagues begin Sept. 25 at 6 p.m. and will continue through December.

The Ederle League will accept new teams for a few weeks after the opening of the

They are also forming teams for Friday night and Friday Lunch Fun Leagues which are shorter a season.

No experience is necessary. For complete information stop by the Ederle Lanes.