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*Celebrating Black  
History Month*

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Quality Award**



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Families and loves ones wWelcome home Sky Soldiers Feb. 25 . Photo by Staff Sgt. Edwin Perez, 173 ABCT.



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## Speak Out

What does Black History Month mean to you?



Pfc. Katelyn Callahan  
173d ABCT

*"It means that we remember how it was before, how we were segregated and everything, and now we're not."*



Pfc. Yvonne Ajebe  
173rd BSB

*"It means no more segregation. We can come together and be as one."*



Emma McGuinness  
Contractor

*"It's a time when everybody can get together and celebrate different nations and cultures."*

By Joyce Costello

# First Del Din building turned over to Army



By USAG Vicenza PAO

TCMO Chief Susan Wong breaks a bottle of prosecco Feb. 22 to mark the turnover of the first Del Din building to the Army.

**The first building of the new Del Din installation is now 100 percent complete and was officially delivered to the Vicenza garrison Feb. 22. “I am going to keep my opening remarks here today very, very short and that’s because I have done very, very little on this project,” said USAG Vicenza Garrison Commander, Col. David Buckingham, addressing the project team gathered to witness the official completion of the first of 31 buildings that make up the Del Din complex. “And I have done very little because each one of you has done so much,” he said.**

Far from being an official ceremony, the occasion provided the garrison leadership an opportunity to recognize not only its own staff but especially the Navy personnel and contractors who have been directly involved with the project over the past five years.

Stepping aside, Buckingham opened the floor to those individuals who, each in their own way, did their part to make it happen.

Buckingham first introduced the construction’s senior project manager as the “godfather of the Dal Molin-Del Din, Kambiz Razzaghi,” who is presently director of Public Works for the garrison and the previous chief of the Transformation Construction Management Office in charge of Del Din program execution.

“This is one massive project which has been done so perfectly with everyone working together,” Razzaghi said. “There are so many people who have contributed to this project that are not here with us today because they have moved on or are working other projects. I wish they were here to celebrate with us, but I know they are here in their

spirit.”

Razzaghi thanked TCMO and Navy personnel, the contractor, the commander, the previous commanders and “all those people who supported us to make this dream a reality.”

Anna Ciccotti of the garrison Public Affairs Office was introduced by the garrison commander and recognized for her role in “shepherding us in the sometimes challenging Italian political situation.”

“It has been an amazing project to work with, and an absolute privilege to be part of this team and share today’s success,” Ciccotti said.

“It is an exciting day for the Vicenza Military community,” said Cmdr. Andrew Hascall, the Navy resident officer in charge of construction, on whose shoulders rested the responsibility for managing the single largest Military Construction project the Army has ever built in Italy.

“There is a lot of hard work by a lot of people finally coming to fruition,” Hascall said. “Today we are ready to turn over the first of the facilities necessary to accommodate the Soldiers returning from Afghanistan. Over the next two

## Low-key event marks start of 31 building complex completion

months, we will finish the rest on our way to opening the base in the second half of the year.”

Hascall recognized the exceptional challenges Del Din’s prime contractor, Joint Venture CMC-CCC, overcame in designing and constructing a multiple facility complex basically from scratch. The task has not been an easy one, he said.

“The magnitude of the project has been our greatest challenge. Building an entire base is not something any of us have experience doing. We’ve all built one or two buildings at a time, but never 31 simultaneously,” Hascall said.

Dealing with the wide range of complexity involved can be very difficult, and tasks can seem overwhelming, Hascall said. Even if things have not gone perfectly, “the contractors are good people with a professional staff who are committed getting this right.”

And they succeeded, he said.

Buckingham introduced Francesco De Simoni, who spoke on behalf of Joint Venture CMC-CCC.

“I would like to thank everybody because, apart from the purely technical aspects, I think each of us has put something more into this project,” De Simoni said. He lauded the team for committing personal effort and 100 percent of their energy, enthusiasm and dedication.

Dave Ott, Human Resource director, spoke next about the challenges of identifying system requirements and essential services needed to operate the base, from running a new post office to opening a fitness center, sharing an idea of the diversity of efforts involved in bringing the project toward completion.

“From the perspective of the customer, you all were great,” said Ott. “There were some extremely minor things that we

were trying to get done as well as some big things. And you all never said: No, it’s too late. Instead you said: We will see what we can do. Give us the details. And all the way you went.”

Hascall then presented Buckingham with a giant replica of the Common Access Card, which will be used to access all doors on post, to signify the turnover of the first building to U.S. Army custody.

“Even though I am in the Army and I don’t have any ships, the Navy here helped build the buildings so we are going to keep their tradition and christen the new barracks,” said Buckingham.

Susan Wong, chief of TCMO, met this additional challenge as godmother of the project, breaking a bottle of prosecco as tradition requires to symbolically “launch” the new building.

“This marks the reality of years of planning and design,” said Wong, who has been a major player on the project from conception through design and construction.

“To see it now, having grown from a sleepy hollow to a vibrant college-like post is amazing. The transformation it went through over the past few years is a reflection of the hard work and dedication of all those involved, military and civilians, Italians and Americans,” Wong said.

Buckingham summed up the dedication with final remarks on behalf of the Sky Soldiers for whom the Del Din base has been built and who will be soon moving in.

“I am really proud of what you have done here for the paratroopers of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team,” said Buckingham, himself a paratrooper. “Thank you all.”

Soldiers assigned to Del Din can look forward to moving to their new barracks soon.



# VMC celebrates Black History Month

Editor's note: The Vicenza Military Community honored Black History Month Feb. 21 with a public march and event. Below are excerpts by the keynote speaker, Col. Jonathan A. Johnson.

**By Col. Jonathan A. Johnson**  
U.S. Army Africa Command Inspector General

This year, 2013, marks the importance of two anniversaries for all Americans in United States history – the 150th year anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation, and the 50-year anniversary of the historic March on Washington for jobs and freedom. I would be remiss if I didn't also mention that this year also marks the 50-year anniversary of the death of the great Mississippi civil rights leader, Medgar Evers.

These events in American history marked a time that would set out to change the course of life for Africans in America and later their direct descendents. The alarm was sounding that acceptance of racial segregation in America was under attack and would no longer be accepted. Many historians have sought to connect the dots between the issuance of the Emancipation Proclamation and the March on Washington as vital links in the chain leading to the socioeconomic empowerment realized by African-Americans today.

Many psychologists will tell you that in order to truly change actions you must change your behavior. In the 1860 elections, a little known man from Illinois set the course for that change in American behavior. It must be said, however, that Lincoln upon his election as president was no abolitionist, at least not at first, but those views would evolve and change.

The late 1960s and 1970s mark my era, where I can remember the struggle being fought by my uncles, aunts and neighbors for justice as black Americans, like their slave ancestors 100 years before.

My grandfather use to tell me as a boy that in order to make a fire there has to be a spark to ignite the flames.

If we look back 150 years, then I would assert that spark was Abraham Lincoln. If we look back just 50 years that spark was the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King.

For over 237 years African-Americans have selflessly served in the Army, fighting to secure peace for the future. During the Civil War slaves from the South voted with their feet by leaving plantations and braving extreme odds to join the Union military and fight for the cause of freedom. They joined the United States Colored Troops (USCT) – this wouldn't be an Army presentation without an acronym.

Like their predecessors in the 1860s, African-Americans in the 1960s sought equal protection under the law that was enjoyed by their white American countrymen. It was a long struggle following slavery that included unjust laws in many states, known as the "black codes," which in many cases served to treat freed African-Americans like slaves following the Civil War.

Still following all of this, African-Americans continued to use the "equipment" bestowed upon them by the Creator to make a better way for their families. Since the 1600s, when our ancestors arrived in America, they knew the importance of faith. Faith is a verb. If you look up the definition of a verb, a verb expresses action or a state of being; it is the most important part of any sentence.

You see, maintaining faith in the Almighty God and in one another has served African-Americans, and for that matter all Americans, well throughout the transitional times in America. Faith is exhibited by your actions every day.

God has given us the "equipment" to be great and to make a difference in this life. President Lincoln and Dr. King channeled the use of their own equipment to step out on faith and make a difference. Even today we can learn

from their actions. We can continue to push the ideals fought for by President Lincoln with the Emancipation Proclamation, and the passing of the 13th Amendment to the Constitution to end slavery.

Lincoln's actions, I'm sure, served as the precursors for the later passages of the 14th and 15th Amendments, granting citizenship and the right to vote respectively, a few years later.

We can continue to pursue Dr. King's dream as spoken during the March on Washington in 1963, which ultimately led to the passing of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965. The dream is still a work in progress and requires all of us to make it a reality.

The actions of these two men of virtue as they reached the crossroads during their times set the conditions for our nation to continue fighting to live out the true meaning of its creed. Unfortunately, both of these gentlemen would meet an assassin's bullet for their ideals, ironically, in the same month of April, 103 years apart.

We, like them, must endeavor every day to be that spark to light the flame or torch for this generation and future generations.

I am reminded of the stories told to me by my grandfather about his grandfather. You see, my great-great-grandfather was a slave in South Carolina. My grandfather knew the stories of pain experienced by his ancestors first hand, but he also knew as he was taught to keep faith in God and to try every day to make a difference.

He told me as a young military officer to not forget where I have come from, and to use all of the "equipment" given to me by God. And, most importantly, told me no matter who does wrong, you do right. I have not forgotten that.

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**“ With our eyes on the horizon and faith in God and one another, let's keep striving to make a difference, let's keep lifting one another as we climb, let's keep working together to make a difference and let's celebrate the goodness in all of our diverse heritages; not only during this month, but every month. ”**



# Gold Star spouse returns to visit Sky Soldiers

Story and photo by Staff Sgt. Edwin Perez  
173rd ABCT PAO

Losing a loved one in war is a heartbreaking experience. For Gold Star spouse Maggie Osborn, returning to Vicenza and meeting with the Sky Soldier Family of her fallen husband, Sgt. Kyle B. Osborn, was a necessary, if painful, step in a healing process that will continue for years.

Osborn paid a surprise visit Feb. 19 to her husband's platoon, a proud wife wanting to show support for the men that her Soldier called his brothers.

"As a Soldier, he was an inspiration," said Osborn.

"He loved his job and he strived to be the best Soldier he could be. He took every opportunity to better himself and to just make an impact on where he was, and I believe he has accomplished that. Even in his passing now, he still does that for me, and as a husband he was my inspiration."

Sgt. 1st Class Kenya Spratt, Osborn's old platoon sergeant, said, "Every Soldier I have in my platoon is not just a Soldier to me, they're family to me. Including their family members," said

Sgt. Kyle B. Osborn served as the senior sniper with Scout Platoon, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team. He died Sept. 13, 2012, in Muqer, Afghanistan, from wounds sustained when his unit was attacked with small arms fire and rocket propelled grenades. He was one of 14 members of the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team family who gave their lives for freedom.



Maggie Osborn, wife of fallen Sky Soldier Sgt. Kyle Osborn, receives a commemorative photo montage from her husband's former platoon sergeant, Sgt. 1st Class Kenya Spratt, during a surprise visit to the unit on Caserma Ederle Feb. 19.

The visit brought back happy memories and some needed closure for both Maggie Osborn and the 1st-503rd recon platoon.

Smiles and somber memories filled the room during a slide show honoring the fallen paratrooper.

"He allows me to experience new things; he put me out of my box, I guess," said Osborn. "And I've got to try a lot of new things; especially, coming to Italy was one of them. But it was an adventure and I was glad to have it with him."

## Sky Soldiers receive MacArthur Awards

By U.S. Army Europe PAO

U.S. Army Europe recognized three Soldiers at the 26th Annual USAREUR-level Gen. Douglas MacArthur Leadership Award ceremony in Heidelberg, Germany, Feb. 21.

Among the winners were Chief Warrant Officer 2 Ryan Wilcox, who serves with the 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, in Vicenza, Italy.

Capt. Mason Thornal of Chosen Company, 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd ABCT was also

recognized as a MacArthur winner.

Thornal is presently downrange with the 173rd; Wilcox accepted the award in his fellow Sky Soldier's place.

"Duty. Honor. Country. These are the very same values we honor here today, epitomized in these fine young leaders that stand before you," said USAREUR Commanding General, Lt. Gen. Donald Campbell, citing the hard work and dedication of this year's winners.

"They represent some of the best junior officers from our USAREUR team. These are the leaders that represent these principles on a daily basis," he

said.

Wilcox said, "It's truly an honor to be recognized by my unit and USA-REUR, with whom I have served for four and a half years, deploying with them twice and on countless rotations to Grafenwoehr."

Thornal and Wilcox will move forward to compete against junior leaders from other major Army commands in Washington, D.C., where only 25 officers and three warrant officers in the active, National Guard and Reserve components across the Army will receive the award.

# International Women's Day Social



Friday  
March 8

From  
5-7 p.m.

Bring your friend, colleague, wife, sister or your significant other to celebrate Women's Day at the Old Soldiers Bar.

We will offer a Spritz Special, snacks and a special treat for all women who join us.

Ages 18+

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# RITA BONAMEGO RETIRES, LEAVES LEGACY OF CARING

STORY AND PHOTOS BY ANNA CICCOTTI  
USAG VICENZA PAO



Bonamego is an Italian family name that means “good friend.” Rita Bonamego has lived up to her namesake by truly being a good friend to the Vicenza Military Community over the years. With more than three decades of experience between the American Red Cross and the U.S. government, Bonamego retires this month from Army Community Service, where she has served as the director of Mobilization Deployment and Master Resiliency programs since 2004.

During her years of service at ACS Vicenza, assisting thousands of Soldiers and Families during all phases of the deployment cycles, Bonamego touched the lives of countless people through her endearing spirit and selfless dedication.

“In my 22 years associated with the military I have never met anyone more dedicated to the well-being of our Soldiers and their Families,” said Alicia Rohling, wife of 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team commander, Col. Andrew Rohling.

“Rita is an incredible force. At great personal sacrifice she has chosen to extend her already impressive tour in Vicenza in order to see our heroes come back from yet another deployment,” said Rohling.

She added that Signora Rita trained the Family Readiness groups and the Rear Detachment, personally cooked and hosted numerous FRG luncheons and commander’s breakfasts, fed the Soldiers when their flights were delayed or canceled in Aviano, met every flight upon their return from Afghanistan, just to name a few of the extra little things she did because she wanted to, and not because it was part of her normal duties.

“Rita is a human dynamo always helping others and thinking of ways to make the community a better place,” said Marva Dixon, ACS director. Bonamego will always be remembered because her service was beyond compare as “she continues to give of herself, leaving those around her feeling loved and cared for,” Dixon said.

An experienced keynote speaker for the VMC, Bonamego was regularly called upon to share family readiness expertise and explain the variety of services and agencies the Army has in place to empower families to live successfully and allow Soldiers to focus on their missions.

“Rita is a woman of class, style, dedication and warmth that she exudes through every fiber of her being, who formed a legacy to always be remembered,” said Shannon Reynolds, Bonamego’s colleague and friend at ACS.

“She supported the last six deployments in her nine-year tenure with the simplicity of cookies, coffee, smiles and hugs as her signature,” Reynolds said.

Bonamego’s first approach to a multicultural environment began in Africa. Born and raised in Ethiopia to Italian parents, she naturally expanded her cultural horizons. In the course of appreciating human diversity and its positive, global values, she came to learn and speak English, Arabic and French fluently, and also mastered Hamitic, the

local Ethiopian language.

In Africa she also met the love of her life, Anthony (Tony) Bonamego, her Italian-American husband when he came to the country as part of his Army service.

“Rita was a military spouse for 20 years, and from her personal experience she offers herself to the Soldiers, the spouses and the armed forces,” Reynolds said.

A mother of three, Bonamego began working as a Red Cross volunteer when her husband was in the Army. When her children were grown she started taking paid assignments.

During her years with the Red Cross, from 1977 to 1999, she deployed to Somalia, Haiti, Korea, Kosovo and Bosnia, and served as well with Desert Storm troops in Saudi Arabia, as her language skills were indispensable in the rapidly changing global environment that the U.S. military has faced in the past quarter century.

A world traveler and self-described “grandmother in combat boots,” Bonamego is getting ready to move on to the next chapter of her life. She and Tony are returning home to Colorado Springs, Co.

Asked about her imminent departure, Bonamego said that “my Soldiers and my Families are the best memories I will carry home with me. And a bit of my Italia, of course.”

When she is not busy visiting the six grandchildren she adores, Bonamego’s plans include continuing to do what she is best at, building morale and helping people. She has already contacted the Fort Carson Red Cross and the USO there, “for some little volunteering, once, perhaps twice a week.”

For those who know Bonamego well, it is more likely that the new retiree in fact will stay home only once or twice a week.



Above: Rita Bonamego talks with a Soldier while serving in Somalia. (Opposite) Col. David Buckingham, USAG Vicenza commander says good-bye to Rita Bonamego at a retirement luncheon held in her honor Feb. 26.

Taking smart growth seriously

# Vicenza wins Army Environmental Quality award

By Grant Sattler  
USAG Vicenza PAO

The Vicenza Military Community is serious about caring for the environment: U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza was selected as the Fiscal Year 2012 Army Environmental Awards Winner in the Environmental Quality-Overseas category. Environmental programs here have been named the best overseas in the U.S. Army and are now in competition for Department of Defense honors.

"This award showcases the efforts of the community, individuals and units in support of energy conservation and environmental initiatives in Vicenza," said Jim Lessard, Directorate of Public Works Environmental Branch chief.

The award recognizes efforts across all six installations in and around Vicenza. Lessard said a Green Council created to provide executive-level leadership and guidance to garrison activities, tenants and organizations ensured oversight and command support for environmental initiatives. Environmental protection specialist Ron Pinkoski said the Green Council that meets in conjunction with the Environmental Quality Control Committee helped ensure success. "Good environmental ideas often come from the shop floor, but you need that senior leader support to put them into practice," he said.

The guiding matrix for the installations' environmental efforts, Lessard said, is an Environmental Management System re-declared in conformance with the International Standards Organization 14001: 2004 Standard in November 2011.

Pinkoski said, "ISO defines what we need to manage in our environmental affairs with the EMS, but leaves flexibility for local procedures. The standards are designed to enable con-

tinual improvement as your program develops."

The EMS is also coupled with the Installation Sustainability Plan initiated in 2010 to bring success in a number of key focus areas. "The ISP is developed by a broad team from across the community," Pinkoski said, crediting that teamwork with keeping environmental, recycling and energy management topics in the forefront.

"We have demonstrated that we can integrate innovation and sustainability into both our new facility construction and renovation of older buildings," said Director of Public Works Kambiz Razzaghi.

Lessard said including "smart growth" principles into installation Master Planning, and U.S. Green Building Council design principles and technologies into new facility construction and renovation like that at Dal Molin-Del Din, were also included in the award.

"The expectation is that the entire Del Din campus will achieve certified LEED Gold certification," he said. "Seven other buildings at other Vicenza installations have been built to LEED Silver specification." LEED principles and sustainability concepts are also included in every project contract below the \$750,000 threshold, he said.

In addition to high visibility energy projects like the installation of photovoltaic systems and central energy plants, Lessard said, "We are implementing environmentally preferable technologies to include installing compostable waste dehydrators to reduce organic/food waste and produce a reusable byproduct, using shop towel recycling as an alternative to single use disposables, and employing ultrasonic parts cleaning units to replace low volatile organic compound solvent machines."

Lessard said efforts by IMMA and

the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team were key in implementing these improved, greener technologies. "Many of the Soldiers have seen pollution prevention technologies used in other garrisons Stateside and are very open to applying them," Lessard said.

He singled out CW 2 George Annan, a GSE maintenance technician in the 173rd, for helping with the installation of these and other green technologies for the new motor pools at Del Din. "Bringing the latest pollution prevention measures to these brand new facilities will help reduce hazardous waste and replace hazardous chemicals with environmentally friendly products," Lessard said.

The Vicenza Military Community has increased the amount of urban waste recycled continuously since 2001, keeping well ahead of Italian requirements and Army goals. The amount of waste recycled was only 15 percent in 2001. In 2010, for the first time, the weight of urban waste recycled exceeded the weight disposed, Lessard said, surpassing a goal mandated by Executive Order 13514 five years early. "The percentage of solid waste recycling reached 56 percent in 2012," he said. "Without community support and everyone doing their part this never would have happened."

Community members and Department of Defense Schools supported education and outreach efforts to promote energy and environmental awareness, he said.

Razzaghi said, "The Vicenza Military Community is well positioned to manage the increased demand on energy, water and raw materials with a focus on sustainability of our mission, community and the environment."



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# Darby Military Community

By Chiara Mattiolo  
Darby Military Community PAO

## Marking milestones, making music in honor of Black History Month



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The Darby Military Community honored the African-American Heritage Month celebrations Feb. 21 with a food-tasting event at the Darby Community Club and a Gospel music concert by the Livorno Jubilation Gospel Choir.

During his opening remarks at the African-American Heritage celebration, DMC Chaplain (Capt.) Regino Hernandez, read a famous line written by the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: "We may have all come on different ships, but we're in the same boat now."

"Nowhere is this more apparent than in Camp Darby," said Hernandez. "No matter where we've come from, we all have so much in common, and today we celebrate a day of unity."

DMC Airmen and Soldiers cooked and served food as a symbol of unity and fraternity.

"The food was great as usual," said Senior Airman Victor Sanchez, 731st Munitions. "I also think the choir was a great way to top it all off."

The food-tasting event was followed by a free concert by the Livorno Jubilation Gospel Choir.

"It is a great honor for us to be here to celebrate this event with the American community," said Luca Del Tongo, the choir's founder and artistic director. "For us it is an homage to the American culture and music that we feel so close to us."

The chorus was established in 1998, when Del Tongo, after singing for three years with the American Church in Florence, decided to establish the first Gospel choir in Livorno. Since then, the close collaboration and cultural exchange with the American community never ended.

"We performed at Camp Darby for the first time probably 10 years ago," said Del Tongo. "It is always challenging for our choir to be judged by such an expert audience, those who grew up with a strong tradition of Gospel."

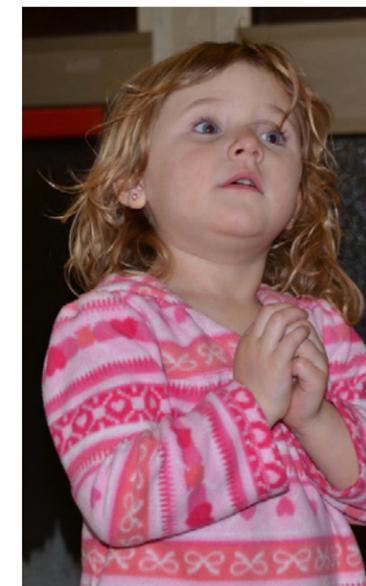
Gospel music has its origins in the Christian African-American churches of the United States, with the aim of expressing the community's faith in God and spreading the Gospel's message.

The concert went very well, and the audience was soon singing along and experiencing the deep feeling of a mystic, growing emotion.

"The great food, the superior music and dance just helped filling body and soul," said community member Cynthia Davis.

**"We may have all come on different ships, but we're in the same boat now."**

—Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King



# In Memoriam

The Camp Darby Military Community gathered Feb. 25 at the *Cimitero Comunale dei Lupi di Livorno* to bid farewell to Angela Firriolo, a wife, mother and Camp Darby postal services employee.

Firriolo will be missed not only by her family and fellow staff members, but by so many community members whom she faithfully served since April 1996.

"Mrs. Firriolo was an employee who was totally dedicated to getting the job done, and getting it done right," said Cindy Newton, supervisory postmaster. "She went out of her way time and time again to help customers in whatever way possible."

Firriolo is survived by her husband Vincent, who is employed at the Sea Pines Lodge, and her two sons, Carmine, who works at the Gift Store inside the Livorno PX, and Vincent Jr., who works at DMC Outdoor Recreation.



# Eat better during National Nutrition Month

By Capt. Carly Eckard  
U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza

We are now two months into 2013 and many of us have all but forgotten our New Year's resolutions to eat better, exercise more, lose weight and the like. However, March is just around the corner and will bring signs of spring and another reason to re-focus our attention on healthy eating.

During the month of March, we also celebrate National Nutrition Month. This year, the theme is Eat Right, Your Way, Every Day.

While it sounds simple, we could all take time out to evaluate our diet and make small improvements for a healthier lifestyle. To help, there will

be several events during the month that are open to the community.

First, a new support group for weight management will have its first meeting March 19 in the Wellness Center from 10-11 a.m. If you are struggling with weight loss, are in the process of losing weight, or just want to learn more about healthy eating, please join us.

The goal is to focus on peer-to-peer learning, discuss strategies for changing habits, and support one another. No weigh-in is required.

During the last week of March, take the opportunity to learn more about healthy food choices and cooking techniques. On March 26 a cooking class will be held in the Arts and

Crafts Center from noon to 1 p.m.

Participants will learn about the nutritional benefits of seasonal vegetables for spring and simple, delicious ways to prepare them. On March 27 we will take a tour of the commissary with a registered dietitian from 9-10 a.m. to learn the secrets of navigating the store, comparing products and deciphering nutrition labels and health claims.

All events are open to the community, but have limited space. Please call 0444-61-9190 for more information. Also check out the community calendar for other events during the month.

## DoDEA schools protect IT systems



By Marilee Fitzgerald  
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Defense Education  
Activity

IT systems in our schools as well as those in the DoD, it is necessary to implement long-standing mandates on the use of unapproved storage.

Over the past several months, an area-wide computer virus that caused a shutdown of some of our critical systems, the unintentional release of personal student data, and recent, updated, classified orders from the U.S. Cyber Command require us to take action to protect the sensitive information of our students and families.

Beginning this past Monday, Feb. 25, unapproved removable storage devices have been banned on all DoDEA computers. Removable storage devices affected include thumb drives, memory sticks, camera memory cards, external USB hard drives, MP3 players, camcorders and printer memory drives.

Implementing these measures is not something our school system takes lightly. These preventative measures have the potential to impact educational programs as well as our stu-

dents, teachers, administrators and support staff.

We are identifying some possible ways ahead to mitigate potential disruptions to our educational programs. As with any new technological change, we may identify and experience issues that were not envisioned at the outset. Please let us know about any issues, concerns or recommendations you have.

We will share information with our IT offices and district educational technologists to continue developing and improving our practices.

We realize this change will be difficult and possibly awkward at first. Over time, we are confident that the removable storage solutions we are developing will prove to be fully satisfactory.

Thank you for your continued support of our school and this new initiative. We truly appreciate your patience and understanding as we transition to new procedures to ensure our IT systems continue to be safe environments.

# Camp Darby HEALTH FAIR

## Beauty & Spa:

- Sports Massages
- Health Benefits of Massage Info

## Health Clinic:

- Blood Pressure Checks
- Flu Vaccinations
- Dental Care Information
- TriCare Information
- Physical Therapy

Running Shoe Assessment & General Fitness Recommendations

- Registered Dietician - Body Composition - Nutritional Consultations
- Sub-Maximal & Maximal VO2 Testing (oxygen intake) - *Need to Sign-Up!*

## Fitness Center:

- Body Mass Index & Percentage Body Fat w/ Education
- 3-Site Skinfold Caliper Testing Available

## Girl Scouts - North Atlantic:

- Healthy Snack Recipes & Samples

# Thursday, March 14

# 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

# Cost: FREE

## Passione Moto – Bike expo

March 2-3, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., in Padova, Via N. Tommaseo 59, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza. New and used motorcycles' sales; spare parts and accessories; modeling and specialized publications; collectables and vintage. Admission fee: €14; reduced €10 for children 13-17 and senior citizens older than 65. Free entrance for children under 13.



## VENETO

**The Dusty Saddle Boys – Italian/American country band:** March 1, 10 p.m., in Vicenza, @ Route 66, Torri di Quartesolo, about 5 miles southeast of Vicenza.

**Festa di San Rocco – St. Rocco Festival** March 3, in Brendola, about 9 miles southwest of Vicenza; 10 p.m. religious procession departs from Piazza della Vittoria; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. photo exhibits and antique trade show presented by the Brendola craftsmen association; 3:15 p.m. hip hop show; 3:30 p.m. charity bingo; vintage motorcycles exhibit in Piazza Mercato.

**Olio Capitale** – Top quality extra-virgin oil expo: March 1-3, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; Monday 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; in Trieste, Piazzale De Gasperi 1, about 120 miles east of Vicenza; attendees can experience some of the highest quality extra virgin olive oil in Italy during the Olio Capitale, the country's premier olive oil exhibition. Events will be held Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Stop by the oil bar to taste extra-virgin olive oil with regional experts. Tasting sessions cater to English speakers. Cooking tips will be offered. Admission is €6. Attendees can pre-register online and get a reduced (€4) ticket.

**Orto giardino** - Exhibition of floriculture, nursery products, horticulture and outdoor furniture: March 2-10, in Pordenone, Viale Treviso, 1, about 90 miles northeast of Vicenza. Monday – Friday 2:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.; Saturday & Sunday 9:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. Admission fee: €8. Reduced €6 for children 13-18. Free entrance for children younger than 13

**Abilmente - Bricolage and Manual Creativ-**

**ity Exhibition:** March 7 – 10 in Vicenza, Viale del Lavoro, 69; patchwork, craft, decoupage, embroidery, weaving, needlework, and home decorations ideas. Hands-on mini workshops. Admission fee: €11. Reduced €9 for children 6-12 and senior citizens over 60. Free entrance for children under 6. **MondoVacanza – Travel Fair :** March 9 -10 in Padova

**Mondomare – Fishing, Boating, Diving, and Nautical Tourism Fair:** March 9-11 in Padova.

**ExpoCamper - Trade show for outdoor tourism:** March 9-11 in Padova

**Cinque secoli di Volti – Five Centuries of Faces** ongoing through March 31 in Vicenza, Palazzo Chiericati, Piazza Matteotti; Tuesdays – Thursdays 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.; Fridays – Sundays 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.; portraits from the 16th to the 20th century.

## MARKETS

**Thiene:** March 2, Piazza Chilisotti, 9 a.m. – 7 p.m., about 18 miles north of Vicenza. (about 50 vendors)

**Marostica,** March 3, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m., in Piazza Castello, about 18 miles north of Vicenza. (130 vendors)

**Noventa Vicentina,** March 3, 8 a.m. – 6 p.m., in Piazza IV Novembre, about 20 miles south of Vicenza. (120 vendors)

## CONCERTS

Michael Jackson: The Immortal World Tour – Cirque du Feb. 23-24, 2013 in Assago (Milan)  
Big Sean: Feb. 24, in Milan  
Nelly Furtado: March 13 in Milan

Mick Hucknall (Simply Red lead singer) – American Soul Tour: March 18 in Milan; March 19 in Rome; March 21 in Padova

Anastacia: April 8 in Padova; April 9 in Milan

Justin Bieber: March 23 in Bologna  
Steve Hackett: April 23 in Assago (Milan); April 26 in Rome

Beyoncé: May 18 in Milan

Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band: May 31 in Padova;

June 3 in Milan; July 11 in Rome

Joe Satriani: May 29 in Rome; May 31 in Florence; June 1 in Padova

Bon Jovi: June 29 in Milan  
Mark Knopfler: May 3 in Assago

Alicia Keys: June 19 in Torino (Milan); July 12 in Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova); July 13 in Rome

Leonard Cohen: July 7

in Rome; July 9 in Lucca

Elton John: July 9 in Barolo (Cuneo)  
John Legend: July 8 in Perugia; July 9 in Milan

Sting: July 8 in Verona; July 9 in Rome

Neil Young and Crazy Horse: July 25 in Lucca; July 26 in Rome

Roger Waters: July 26 in

Padova; July 28 in Rome

Robbie Williams: July 31 in Milan

**Click here** for ticket info.

## TUSCANY

**Fiera Antiquaria - antiques fair:** March 2-3, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m., in Arez-

zo, Piazza Grande and surrounding streets. You can find furniture, ceramics, jewels, glassware, fabrics, watches, sculptures, paintings, iron and copper items, as well as trinkets of all sorts.

**Orbetello (Tuscany, Grosseto),** on Corso Italia, March 2-3; 10 a.m.-10 p.m.

**Carmignano (Prato),** Piazza Vittorio Emanuele II and Piazza Matteotti, March 3, 9:30 a.m.-7 p.m.

**Cascina (Pisa),** on Corso Matteotti, first March 3, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

**Pietrasanta (Lucca),** in Piazza Duomo, March 3; 9 a.m.-7 p.m.

**San Miniato (Tuscany, Pisa),** Piazza del Popolo, March 3, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.

**Choccolandia-Chocolate Fair:** in Cecina, Piazza Guerrazzi and Corso Matteotti; March 1, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; March 2-3, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; the most famous Italian chocolate makers will display their products. This will be a unique occasion to taste some of the best chocolates in Italy.

## SPORTS

**Marcia dei Bujeli - 5-7-12-30 km Berici Hills non-competitive walk**

March 3, 8 a.m.; in Villaga; the march departs from Via Michele Arcangelo 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. for the 30 km walk; registration fee: €2.50, which includes refreshments or €5.50, which includes also a jar

All events listed are as reported at press time. Details are subject to change without notice.

of Colli Berici honey; register by sending an email to info@marciachetipassa.it or at the registration point on March 3 before the march; the new 5 km path is suitable for families with strollers.

**StraVicenza Marathon:** The annual StraVicenza 2 KM, 4.5KM and 10KM runs are going to be held on Sunday, March 17 at 10:00. The start and finish will be at the Campo Marzo. You can register at StraVicenza Point, Loggia del Capitaniato, in Piazza dei Signori, March 15 (4 p.m. – 8 p.m.), March 16 (10 a.m. – 1 p.m. & 3:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.), and March 17 (7:45 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.) in Campo Marzo. Cost is €4 and €2 for children younger than 14. The cost includes your bib number, snack and medical coverage. **Note also that March 17 is no drive day in Vicenza.** Participants can park their vehicles in the Stadio, Via Cricoli or Via Farini parking lots and take a bus to the city center. Vicenza buses and parking in the above lots are free from 7:30 a.m. onwards. From Caserma Ederle, take bus# 1 to the train station.



## Festa di San Giuseppe e Festa della Quaglia allo Spiedo – Festival and Spit-Roasted Quail Fair

March 1 – 3; March 8-10 and March 15-17, in Villaganzerla, about 9 miles south of Vicenza; Carnival rides, fair trade market, craft show, painting and photo exhibits; 7:30 -10:30 p.m. food booths featuring the traditional spit-roasted quail and other local specialties; charity raffle. March 1 – 9 p.m. live music and ballroom dancing with Renzo Biondi Orchestra

March 2 – 2:30 p.m. Dance show contest

March 3: 10 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. local products and crafts exhibit and sale; 6 p.m. dance show; 9 p.m. live music and ballroom dancing with D'Animos Band Orchestra





# FAMILY AND MWR

## VICENZA MILITARY COMMUNITY

Book trips [online on WebTrac](#)

### ODR trips

- March 2: Ski San Anton
- March 9: Ski San Pellegrino
- March 9: San Gimignano and Monteriggioni
- March 10: Verona and arena for kids
- March 16: Rome overnight
- March 16 and 30: Ski Stubaital
- March 16: Cinque Terre
- March 20: Padova and Scrovegni Chapel
- March 23: Ski Kronplatz
- March 23: Pisa olive oil tasting

### 5K Kilt Run

Put down your bagpipes and grab your kilt for the March 13, 5k Kilt Run. The race begins at 6 p.m. on the Ederle Track and Field. Registration is open March 13 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at the Ederle Fitness Center. The first 200 registered will receive a T-shirt. Cost is \$15 and prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in male and female categories for under age 17 and over age 18. Don't miss out on our first fun run of the year, call 634-7616.

### "The WIZ" opens at Soldiers' Theatre

Journey through the Land of Oz with Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man and Lion in this totally hip, fun and funky favorite for the entire family. Dazzling and fanciful, the high-energy musical celebrates the pursuit of your dreams. Just over the rainbow, the magical world of "The WIZ" awaits. Show Runs, Friday, Mar. 8 - Sunday, Mar. 24. Show times are Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets: \$15 for adults and \$12 for youth. Call the box office at 634-7281 for reservations.

### Entertainment

Join us at the Old Soldiers' Bar in the Golden Lion Conference Center for our monthly Surf and Turf Night. Cost is \$30 per person and includes; 12 ounce T-Bone steak, grilled shrimp, baked potato, salad, water, a glass of wine, dessert and coffee. Coffee. Make your reservation by Friday, 15 March by calling 634-7685.

### Arts and Crafts

Discover how you can create all kinds of things with paper quilling. Coil strips of paper using a

special quilling tool and voila`, you have all kinds of shapes that you can use to assemble pictures, cards, gift tags and more. There is a beginner class on March 2 with all materials and tools provided. And on March 27 another class will show you how to take the basics of quilling to 3-D. Call 634-7074 for information. Register at the Arts and Crafts Center or on Webtrac.

### Ederle Library

Youth ages 3-11 can celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Library with our Leprechaun scavenger hunt and crafts on March 13, 3:30 p.m. Register at the checkout desk before March 11.

### CYSS

Family Game Night at the Villaggio Youth Center is on Friday March 1; beginning at 6 p.m. Students in grades 6-12 along with their Families will enjoy an evening of fun and games. Call 634-7659 for more information.

Registration for the Youth Center spring break trip to Naples will be open March 4-8. If sign-ups exceed the limit the lottery drawing for the trip participants will be held on March 11. Trip is open to grades 8-12 and the cost is \$200 and includes transportation, accommodation and food. For more information, call 634 7659.

Baseball/softball enrollment ends on Friday March 8. Enroll online with Webtrac or at Parent Central Services. For more information, call 634 7219.

### ACS

Meet the new Employment Readiness Manager at the Open House on March 8, 10 a.m.-noon at ACS. Featured speakers include; CPAC with information on the hiring freeze and current job openings, Volunteer Program Manager on opportunities for volunteering and how that relates to job skills and the Education Center with information on scholarships and MYCAA. Call 634-6884 for more information.

# VICENZA.ARMYMWR.COM

## A NEW MARKETPLACE

A new Marketplace is coming to Vicenza. The link for Vicenza Marketplace will be live on Monday, February 25. The link to the new Vicenza Marketplace will be located on vicenza.armyMWR.com under the Local Info button on the top right of the home page. This new Marketplace is not an official DoD website and should be used with the same caution you would use when using any website, being aware of phishing for personal information, illegitimate claims and information. Americans using the site should be aware they are still obligated to abide by the SOFA not selling personal services and/or conducting business. Military Vehicle Registration guidelines should also be followed. Users are solely responsible for what they buy and sell on the site.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT DEL DIN

Family and MWR is hiring for positions on Del Din for both U.S and Local Nationals. U.S. positions will be posted to USA Jobs at <https://www.usajobs.gov/>. Local National positions will be posted to CPOL at: <https://cpolrhp.cpol.army.mil/eur/employment/ln/index.htm> If you have additional questions, contact Vicenza NAF CPAC at 0444-71-7349 or 7290.

## DARBY MILITARY COMMUNITY

### ODR trips

- \* March 2: Tour Venice
- \* March 3: Carnevale in Viareggio
- \* March 9: Tour Rome
- \* March 16: Ski Monte Cimone
- \* March 23: Tour Florence
- \* March 30: Tour Assisi

Call 633-7589/7775 for details or register on WebTrac. See full listings at <http://www.calendarwiz.com/calendars/calendar>.

Are you new to the Darby Military Community? Is this your first assignment in Europe? Culture College is your orientation to the Darby Military Community as well as to the Pisa and Livorno areas. Register now for this five day course beginning March 4. Contact Army Community Service at 633-7084.

Do you know your BMI? Body composition? VO2? If these acronyms aren't familiar to you, visit the Darby Health Fair on March 14, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. to discover a wide spectrum of services from multiple agencies available to the community. You can expect to find blood pressure checks, healthy snack recipes and samples, running shoe assessment and general fitness recommendations and much more!

Explore the magic of Venice, one of the most beautiful cities in the world on March 2. With over 150 picturesque canals and over 400 bridges, you're sure to find a special experience around every corner! Call ODR at 633-7589 or 7775 for

information or register for your trips on WEBTRAC online.

### Child, Youth & School Services

CYSS Baseball Registration is your opportunity for your child to enjoy America's favorite pastime. Register your child at Parent Central Services, Bldg 730 thru March 14. For more information, contact Parent Central Services at 633-7681 or register on WEBTRAC online.

### Outdoor Recreation

Join Outdoor Recreation for a day of skiing in Mount Cimone on March 16. Mount Cimone ski area has 26 lifts with over 50 kms of runs ranging from beginner to advanced. If you are not a skier or snowboarder, you can enjoy a nice lunch at one of the eateries or participate in some sledding. Call ODR at 633-7589 or 7775 for information or register for your trips on WEBTRAC online.

You choose the pace to visit some of Rome's most famous sites including the famed Sistine Chapel, Pantheon and the Coliseum on March 9. Call ODR at 633-7589 or 7775 for information or register for your trips on WEBTRAC online.

### Sports & Fitness

Sports & Fitness is looking for coaches and players for the 2013 Men's & Women's Base Softball teams. The season runs March thru September. Tryouts will be announced after coaches are selected. For more info, contact Sports & Fitness at 633-7438.



# Community briefs

## Vicenza Military Community

Visit the community calendar for more upcoming events and details at [www.usag.vicenza.army.mil](http://www.usag.vicenza.army.mil)

### March OHA Survey

The Defense Travel Management Office will conduct an Overseas Housing Allowance Utility and Move-in expense survey March 1-31. It is intended to validate and adjust the compensation service members are receiving from OHA to live in privately leased or rented residential housing. All service members, regardless of service affiliation, who reside in off-post housing are highly encouraged to complete the survey in order to accurately gauge the amount of OHA service members are receiving. This survey is critical for ensuring OHA rates are properly set at overseas locations and directly affects the amount of housing allowance each service member is paid. Spouses are encouraged to take the survey along with their service member or, if the member is not available, authorized to take the survey.

### National Nutrition Month

March is National Nutrition Month. Scheduled events include:  
 ☒ March 5: Nutrition and Supplement Safety Booth, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the PX  
 ☒ March 12: Healthy recipes, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the South of the Alps Dining Facility  
 ☒ March 19: Weight Management Support Group, 9-10 a.m. at the commissary  
 For more or to schedule an appointment with a dietitian, call 636-9519.

### Youth get ready now

Youth Workforce Preparation Training for students in grades six through 12 will conclude its Monday sessions from 3:30-4:30 at the Ederle Fitness

Center conference room. Final workshops include: Feb. 25: time management and goals; March 4: workplace ethics; and March 11: customer service. Register at the Teen Center.

### EFMP Informational Hour March 6

EFMP continues its monthly Informational Hours series March 6 from noon to 1 p.m. at ACS. The topic for discussion is: Practical strategies for improving organization, homework and time management skills in students with ADHD. For information call 0444-718582 or 634-8582. All are welcome.

### CIAO Conference March 8

The Vicenza Community Club will conduct its Ciao Conference and Luncheon March 8. Drop off a completed registration form and payment of €25 at the box in front of the Thrift Store by March 1. Contact Kym Price at [ciao@vccitaly.org](mailto:ciao@vccitaly.org) for information. DMC utility changes.

### CTC Term 4 Class Schedule

Registration for Central Texas College Term 4 has begun, featuring two criminal justice seminars: Introduction to Gangs and Gang Infiltration of the Military (March 15-17) and Police Brutality (March 27-30); a three-credit class on the Juvenile Justice System from April 2-May 23. Scholarship applications are open through March 31. Call 634-6514, email [vicenza@europe.ctcd.edu](mailto:vicenza@europe.ctcd.edu), or stop by Room 6 in the Education Center for assistance.

### 2013 Scholarships for Military Children

Applications for the 2013 Scholarships for Military Children Program are being accepted now. See eligibility and submission details online at [www.militaryscholar.org](http://www.militaryscholar.org) and [www.commissaries.com](http://www.commissaries.com).

### CTC Scholarship

Central Texas College is accepting applications for scholarships online through March 31. For information call 634-6514, email [vicenza@europe](mailto:vicenza@europe).

ctcd.edu or visit CTC in Room 6 of the Education Center

### VCC scholarships

The Vicenza Community Club awards more than \$25,000 in scholarships each year. Applications are now available for the Emmi Fondi Continuing Education Scholarship for current VCC members, the Pia Marnetti Scholarships for ID card holding dependents of current VCC members, and scholarships for graduating high school seniors who are also dependents of current VCC members. Applications must be postmarked by March 5 for consideration.

### CLEA ceremony March 19

The U.S. Army Europe Combined Logistics Excellence Awards ceremony will take place March 19 at 12:30 p.m. in the Fitness Center, Building 1631, on Clay Kaserne in Wiesbaden, Germany. The annual awards, an Army Chief of Staff initiative, honor units and organizations across Europe for their excellence in supply, maintenance and deployment operations. For information call 370-5410 or 370-5436.

### AE-ITT training

AE-ITT offers DoD Directive 8570.1 compliance by training and certifying individuals to meet baseline and computing environment certification requirements. IT courses are available [online](#) and the AE-ITT facility on Caserma Ederle. Upcoming courses include:

March 4-8: MCITP: Windows 7 Enterprise Desktop Support Technician Boot Camp

March 11-15: DoD IA Certification 8570.1 (NETWORK+)

March 18-25: DoD IA Certification 8570.1 (SECURITY+)

March 25-27: DoD Information Assurance Certification and Accreditation Process (DIACAP)

Call 634-6077 for details.



### Meet the New Employment Readiness Manager

Featured speakers include:

CPAC- Information on hiring freeze and job openings

Volunteer Program Manager- Volunteer opportunities and how volunteering relates to job skills

Education Center- Scholarship Opportunities and MYCAA

POC: Employment Readiness Manager

DSN:634-6884



## Employment Readiness Open House March 8, 10 a.m.- Noon

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### DMC utility changes

Beginning March 1, all Darby Military Community Utilities Tax Exemption Program (UTEP) customer accounts will migrate from Toscana Energia to UNO-GAS. The transition is being initiated to ensure that TRO customers continue to receive current levels of service. The transition will be transparent and requires no action on the part of customers.

### Ederle Theater

Feb. 21	Flight (R)	6 p.m.
Feb. 22	Beautiful Creatures (PG 13) *	6 p.m.
	A Good Day to Die Hard (R) *	9 p.m.
Feb. 23	Escape from Planet Earth (PG) *	3 p.m.
	Beautiful Creatures (PG 13) *	6 p.m.
Feb. 24	Escape from Planet Earth (PG) *	3 p.m.
	A Good Day to Die Hard (R) *	6 p.m.
Feb. 27	Playing for Keeps (PG-13)	6 p.m.
Feb. 28	Skyfall (PG-13)	6 p.m.
March 1	Playing for Keeps (PG-13)	6 p.m.
	This is 40 (R)	9 p.m.

### Camp Darby Theater

Feb. 22	Bullet to the Head (R) *	6 p.m.
Feb. 23	Stand Up Guys (R) *	6 p.m.
Feb. 24	Warm Bodies (PG-13) *	1 p.m.
March 1	This is 40 (R)	6 p.m.

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

The Ederle theater box office opens one hour prior to show.  
**View MOVIE TRAILERS and more online at**  
<http://www.shopmyexchange.com/ReelTimeTheatres/reeltime-landing.htm>

# Religious Activities

## Chaplain Crisis Line

To speak with a chaplain after hours, call 634-KARE (634-5273)

## Strong Bonds

The Caserma Ederle Chapel will conduct a Female-2-Female Strong Bonds Single Soldier Retreat March 20-22 and a Family Retreat March 22-24 at the Edelweiss Lodge and Resort in Garmisch, Germany. Both programs are free of charge. Call 634-6454 for details and to register.

## Vicenza

### Sunday services

**9 a.m.:** Mass, Sacrament of Reconciliation following Mass, or during duty hours

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

**1:30 p.m.:** Full Gospel Pentecostal worship

**5 p.m.:** Contemporary Christian service

### Tuesdays

**9 a.m.:** Protestant Women of the Chapel

**5 p.m.:** Contemporary Praise band practice

## Wednesdays

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

**5:30 p.m.:** Catholic choir practice

**6:45 p.m.:** Gospel choir practice

## Thursdays

**9:30 a.m.:** Military Council of Catholic Women

**5:30 p.m.:** Gospel service choir rehearsal

**7:15 p.m.:** Gospel service Bible study

## Faith groups in Vicenza contact information

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

**Church of Christ:** Call CW2 Michael Bickle at 345-469-9974 or 0444-335-135 or email [vicenzaitalychurchofchrist@gmail.com](mailto:vicenzaitalychurchofchrist@gmail.com)

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

**Jewish:** Call Paul Levine at 345-907-2108

**Latter Day Saints:** Sunday services, 1:30 p.m. in Vicenza. Call Bob Shakespeare at 389-268-5605 or email [drbob143@gmail.com](mailto:drbob143@gmail.com).

**Trinity Church Vicenza:** An International Presbyterian Church (IPC) congregation. Call Pastor Rinn at 328-473-2949 or email [trinitychurchvicenza@gmail.com](mailto:trinitychurchvicenza@gmail.com).

**Call 634-7519 or 0444-71-7519 for info on Chapel activities.**

## Camp Darby

### Sunday services

**11:15 a.m.:** Protestant worship and children's service

**Catholic Mass:** please call the Chapel at 633-7267 to confirm times as it changes with the Priest covering mass.

### Tuesday

**9:30 a.m.:** Protestant Women of the Chapel

### Wednesday

**5:30 p.m.:** Protestant Women of the Chapel

**5:15 p.m.:** Protestant Men of the Chapel

**6:15 p.m.:** Choir Practice

For Camp Darby chapel activities and information call 633-7267.

## The explanation of "The Christ's Transfiguration," According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church

By Father Wieslaw Dynek

Lt. Col, US Army

From the day Peter confessed that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God, the Master "began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things. . . and be killed, and on the third day be raised." Peter scorns this prediction, nor do the others understand it any better than he. In this context the mysterious episode of Jesus' Transfiguration takes place on a high mountain, before three witnesses chosen by himself: Peter, James and John. Jesus' face and clothes become dazzling with light, and Moses and Elijah appear, speaking "of his departure, which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem". A cloud covers him and a voice from heaven says: "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"

For a moment Jesus discloses his divine glory, confirming Peter's confession. He also reveals that he will have to go by the way of the cross at Jerusalem in order to "enter into his glory". Moses and Elijah had seen God's glory on the Mountain; the Law and the Prophets had announced the Messiah's sufferings. Christ's Passion is the will of the Father: the Son acts as God's servant; The cloud indicates the presence of the Holy Spirit. "The whole Trinity appeared: the Father in the voice; the Son in the man; the Spirit in the shining cloud."

You were transfigured on the mountain, and your disciples, as much as they were capable of it, beheld your glory, O Christ our God, so that when they should see you crucified they would understand that your Passion was voluntary, and proclaim to the world that you truly are the splendor of the Father. (Byzantine Liturgy, Feast of the transfiguration)

On the threshold of the public life: the baptism; on the threshold of the Passover: the Transfiguration. Jesus' baptism proclaimed "the mystery of the first regeneration", namely, our Baptism; the Transfiguration "is the sacrament of the second regeneration": our own Resurrection. From now on we share in the Lord's Resurrection through the Spirit who acts in the sacraments of the Body of Christ. the Transfiguration gives us a foretaste of Christ's glorious coming, when he "will change our lowly body to be like his glorious body." But it also recalls that "it is through many persecutions that we must enter the kingdom of God":

Peter did not yet understand this when he wanted to remain with Christ on the mountain. It has been reserved for you, Peter, but for after death. For now, Jesus says: "Go down to toil on earth, to serve on earth, to be scorned and crucified on earth. Life goes down to be killed; Bread goes down to suffer hunger; the Way goes down to be exhausted on his journey; the Spring goes down

## Special Catholic Dates

March 13	4-7 p.m. Lenten Confession
March 17	9 a.m. Confirmation
March 24	9 a.m. Palm Sunday
March 28	6 p.m. Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
March 29	6 p.m. Celebration of the Lord's Passion
March 30	8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil
March 31	9 a.m. Easter Sunday
June 2	9 a.m. First Holy Communion

**WAY OF THE CROSS:** Each Friday during Lent we will pray the Way of the Cross at 6 p.m. follow by the exposition of the Most Holy Sacrament, proclamation of the Lord's Passion, rosary prayer, and adoration. Afterwards we will gather for fellowship and meatless soup, sandwiches, bread, etc. We will watch the Catholicism Video in the activity room. Please come and share your favorite Lenten meals with us!

## The Pope's resignation

By Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio

Archbishop for the Military Service, US Army

Speaking to the faithful of the Archdiocese for the Military Services I think our sentiments can be summarized in 3 words: Gratitude, Comprehension and Prayer.

We are grateful for the ministry of Pope Benedict XVI because we have been illuminated by his writings and discourses, inspired by his devotion and liturgical leadership, and his presence to the whole Church.

As members of a global Archdiocese we understand the challenges of movement, communication, presence, and governance. We can easily sympathize with the concerns of the Spiritual Leader of so many Catholics at an advanced age. His decision is therefore very comprehensible.

Finally, we pray for the Holy Father in this period of his life. We also pray for the presence of the Holy Spirit to guide the electors of the College of Cardinals in the choice of a worthy successor. This represents our contribution from today forward."

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## Cougars show grit in Division II Euro finals

By David Ruderman  
USAG Vicenza PAO

The Vicenza High School Cougars basketball squad made the trek to Wiesbaden, Germany, last weekend and fought their way to a third place finish in the DoDDS-Europe Basketball Finals.

The Cougars lost a semi-final heartbreaker to AFNORTH, 46-45, but held themselves together, bouncing back to beat the SHAPE squad 78-40 to take a more than respectable third-place finish in Division II play.

"We lost by one point to the eventual champs, AFNORTH," said coach Eric Wakefield. "We just couldn't get that one basket."

But the Cougars can hold their heads high, Wakefield said.

"It's not about wins and losses, it's about taking care of business and stepping up to the plate; about being able to look each other in the eye knowing you did the best you could under the circumstances," he said.

With only one senior departing and the possibility of new arrivals, Wakefield said the Cougars may be able to build on one of their best seasons in memory in the year ahead.

"We should be ready for next season," he said.

In addition to their regular 12-game season, which they concluded with an 11-1 record, the Cougar squad got a lot of experience on the court this season with play against Italian teams, and even a Croatian team, that broadened their experience and raised their level of play, Wakefield said.

The Cougars played a total of 10 games against Italian clubs in the Veneto region, including an under-19 Venice squad that feeds players into the professional Italian basketball recruitment organizations.

The Cougars also played a round-robin three-way match with Aviano High School and a very good Croatian team that helped them stretch their envelopes, both individually and as a team, Wakefield said.

"Those games helped our kids realize there's always a tomorrow," he said.

In DoDDS-Europe Cheerleading championship competition, the Cougar Winter Cheer Squad put their best feet forward Feb. 23 in Wiesbaden as well.

"The dancing was phenomenal; the stunting part, they could have done better," said coach Annette Allen.

Junior and team co-captain Alexis Camuso was recognized with the individual All-Tournament award, but the squad as a whole couldn't manage to crack the winner's circle.

"We did really well," said Allen. "They had a lot of practices; however, we could have practiced more on the weekends when we started. We only got that in toward the end of the season. It takes a lot of practice. It did work out in the end," Allen said.



Photo by Gregory Veazey  
The VHS Cougars pose for a photo with coach Eric Wakefield after accepting their third-place finish plaque in DoDDS-Europe Basketball Finals play in Wiesbaden, Germany, Feb. 23.



Photos (2) by Glenn Anderson  
The VHS Winter Cheer Squad shows off spirit and expertise in championship competition in Wiesbaden, Germany, Feb. 23.

### 5-K Kilt Run in Vicenza

Grab your kilt for the 5-K Kilt Run March 13 at 6 p.m. on the Ederle Track and Field. Registration is open from 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m. at the Fitness Center the of the event. The first 200 registered runners will receive a T-shirt. Cost is \$15 and prizes will be awarded. Call 634-7616 for details.

### Batter up in Vicenza

Child, Youth and School Services youth baseball and softball open registration is under way now through March 8 for the 2013 season. Players must register with CYSS and maintain valid health assessments throughout the season. Baseball is open to children ages 3-15; softball is for those 10-15. Play begins April 17, cost is \$45. Register at CYSS Parent Central Services or online at Webtrac.

### Teens Go-Karting

The Teen Center will host a trip to the Vicenza indoor go-kart center March 8 from 7-10 p.m. Teens in

grades nine through 12 should register at Parent Central Services or on WebTrac. Call 634-7659 for details.

### Meditation Monday in Vicenza

Army Community Service conducts an informal, relaxing meditation session every Monday at 12:15 p.m. in Davis Hall. All are welcome.

### Volleyball at Camp Darby

The Camp Darby 2013 Intramural-Recreational Volleyball season starts March 5. Teams must field four players, but may have up to eight players per team. Any combination of males and females is fine. Play gets under way Tuesdays at approximately 5:30, 6:15 and 7 p.m. Call 633-7440 or 050-54-7440 for information.

### Darby Health Fair coming

The Camp Darby Health Fair is coming March 14 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Darby Fitness Center. Stop by for sports massages, blood pressure checks, running shoe assessments

and general fitness recommendations. A registered dietician will be on hand to provide nutritional consultations, oxygen uptake testing, body mass index readings and more. All activities are free of charge and all are welcome. Call 633-7440 for information.

### Working out in Darby

A Cardio Circuit class meets Wednesdays from 9:30-10:15 a.m. in the Fitness Center. Call 633-7438 for details.

## The Outlook accepts submissions

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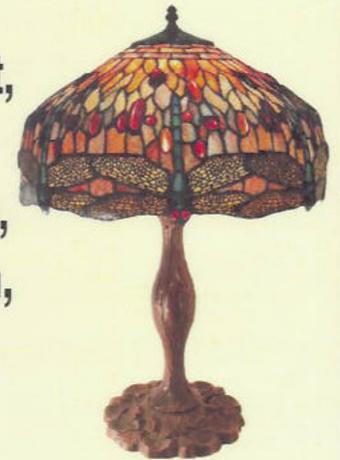
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