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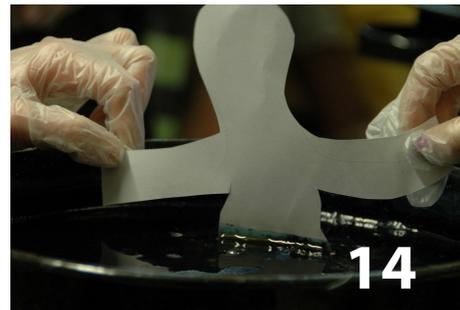


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Front Photo

Hundreds of children and parents participate in the Eggstravaganza held on Caserma Ederle March 30. The annual Easter event included activities such as the egg hunt, balloon creations, face painting and a variety of arts and crafts activities.

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Speak Out

What do you like best about springtime?



Zekiel Sims
Family member

"What I like about spring is that many flowers start to grow, and I can go out and play."



Susan Vanderbeek
DoDDS-Europe

"Spring is my favorite season because it's a time when flowers bloom, weather improves and remembering my folks from northern New York State would put away their woolies for another year."



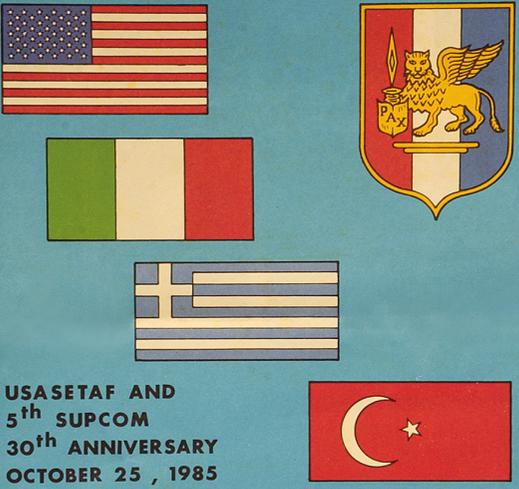
Flory Bock
Family member

"It means winter is leaving and summer is almost here."

By Laura Kreider

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Special Anniversary Issue

Paper moves to electronic version only

The April 4 issue of the Outlook will be its last as a traditional newspaper. While the move to digital formats for Army publications has been under way for years, and the Outlook has been available online in PDF format since 2005, the decision to cease publication of the paper version is a result of the present fiscal uncertainty and tough budget choices being made across the Department of Defense.

Readers of the Outlook have been able to access and read a full, interactive version of the publication on the Vicenza Military Community website – www.usag.vicenza.army.mil – since the beginning of this year. For those who read us online, the staff of the USAG Vicenza Public Affairs Office remains committed to producing and delivering the same quality product to which you have become accustomed.

To those of you have read us up to now exclusively in our hard copy incarnation, we extend a warm invitation to join us online and judge for yourself whether we meet your expectations for news and information that support the Soldiers, civilians and families who are the Vicenza and Darby military communities.

The plan going forward is to continue publishing – posting – weekly on Thursdays. We remain, as ever, open and flexible to the demands and constraints which face the VMC and DMC, and will do whatever it takes to meet the command's requirements and our readers' needs.

On behalf of the scores of writers, editors, photographers, and military and community members whose contributions over the decades have made the Outlook a valuable source of news, information and enlightenment, I thank you for your readership over the years.

We trust you will follow us to our all digital format and find full measure of value for making the move with us.

-The Editor

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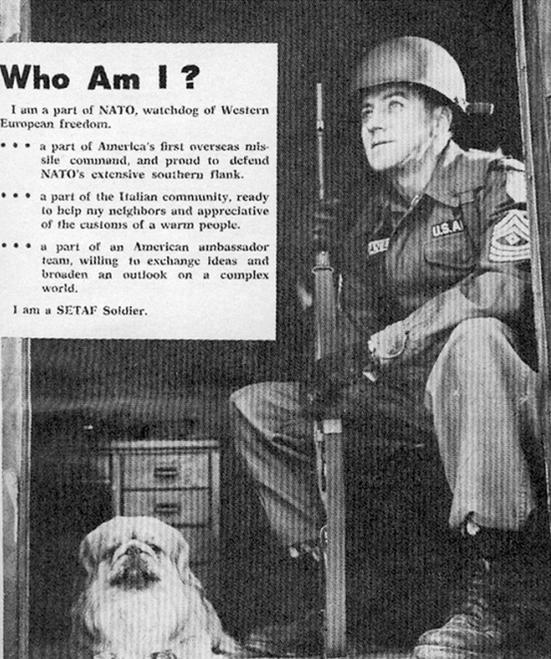
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Who Am I ?

I am a part of NATO, watchdog of Western European freedom.

- a part of America's first overseas missile command, and proud to defend NATO's extensive southern flank.
- a part of the Italian community, ready to help my neighbors and appreciative of the customs of a warm people.
- a part of an American ambassador team, willing to exchange ideas and broaden an outlook on a complex world.

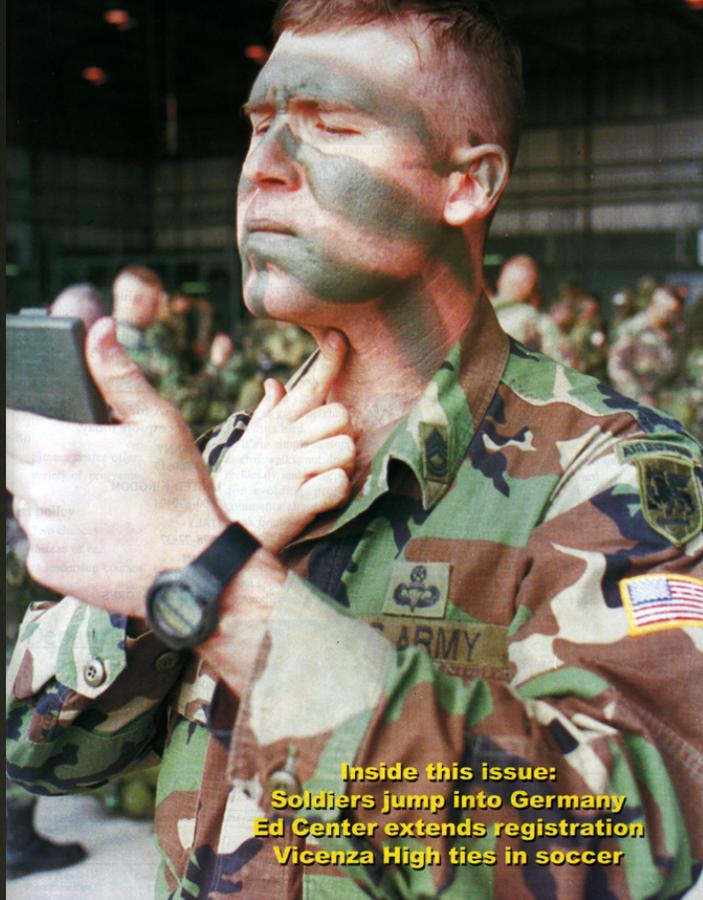
I am a SETAF Soldier.





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Ederle third-grader aids Italian rugby team in big win at annual tourney



Brig. Gen. Rhonda Comum, the director of the Army's Comprehensive Soldier Fitness program talks with a community member during a May 26 meeting with the installation's Comprehensive Soldier / Community Fitness council members at garrison headquarters. Comum listened as local council members discussed how they have implemented CSF at USAG Vicenza and the unique challenges facing the program overseas. Comum said she will take back some of the ideas, calling USAG Vicenza a leader in CSF initiatives.

Photo by Laura Kessler

CSF director visits Ederle for feedback

by ADRIANE FOSS
Outlook Editor

During a two-day visit to Caserma Ederle, Brig. Gen. Rhonda Comum, director of the Army's Comprehensive Soldier Fitness Program met with installation senior leaders to share her vision for CSF. Comum also met with the installation's Comprehensive Soldier / Community Fitness Council members May 26 to learn

how CSF is being implemented locally. She said she was pleased with the council's initiatives and plans to take several ideas back with her to Washington to see if they can be implemented Army-wide. "What I saw during my visit here was very positive," she said. "Vicenza is definitely a leader in Comprehensive Soldier Fitness."

MEMORIAL DAY SPECIAL: All gave some, some gave all

USARAF Soldiers honor WWII fallen during North Africa ceremony

Story and photo by RICK SCAVETTA
U.S. Army Africa

TUNIS, Tunisia — As the lonely sound of "Taps" drifted over 2,833 bleached-white headstones Monday, scores of U.S. Army Africa Soldiers raised their hands in salute at the North African American Cemetery. They were among a group of U.S. service members who traveled to the cemetery to honor the fallen, men who paid the ultimate sacrifice during the North African campaign in World War II. The ceremony began with a prayer and remarks from Hon. Gordon Gray, U.S. ambassador to Tunisia. Then Gen. William E. Ward, commander, U.S. Africa Command, stepped to the podium echoing the words of Gen. Omar Bradley, who led U.S. Army II Corps in North Africa. "We are given one life. The decision is ours whether to wait for circumstances to make up our mind, or whether to act... and in acting, to live," Ward said. "These whom we honor to day certainly embody this sentiment. The results of their sacrifice live within us and in our way of life."



American flags were placed at every grave marker Monday at the North Africa American Cemetery and Memorial near Carthage, Tunisia. Single roses were placed at graves of the unknown. Single roses, wilted from the hot Tunisian sun, marked headstones of the unknown that read, "Here rests in honored glory a comrade in arms known but to God."

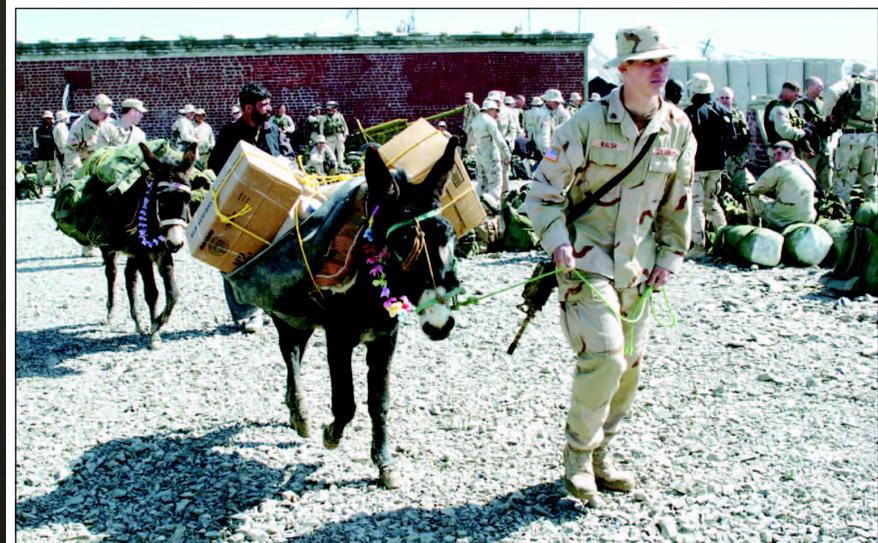
In all, there are 2,841 burials in the cemetery, to include 240 unknowns. Amid the graves are fountains surrounded by flowers, where Soldiers sat to contemplate those who gave the ultimate sacrifice in the defense of freedom.

"This should be the first stop for any American planning to visit Tunisia," said Maj. Philip Archer, a U.S. Army Africa officer who plans the command's partner ship engagements in North Africa. "This is a solemn place."

For U.S. Army Africa Soldiers, the Memorial Day service was the culmination of a four-day journey through Tunisia's World War II battlefield. In late 1942, U.S. forces landed in North Africa with British. See CG, STAFF Page 2

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1-508th settles in for new mission in Afghanistan



Spec. Thomas Walsh, 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry (Airborne) leads two donkeys packed with Meals Ready to Eat boxes and rucksacks at Forward Operating Base Orgun-E, Afghanistan. The 1-508th, one unit of the Combined Joint Task Force-76 that makes up Operation Enduring Freedom VI, are currently in the process of taking over operations from the 25th Infantry Division who are rotating back to Hawaii this March. (Photo by Sgt. Maj. Lawrence Lane, CJTF-76 Public Affairs)

Setaf Dispatch
★ SETAF CELEBRATES FIFTH ANNIVERSARY ★
Image of the winged lion logo.



AAFES food court manager Phil Victorian checks a Simplex XL changeover machine in the projection booth of the post theater on Caserma Ederle April 3. By the end of next week the projectors and the film canisters at his feet will be a part of movie viewing history in Vicenza, replaced by a digital drive about the size of a hardback novel.

-Photo by David Ruderman

Digital movies: changes coming

By Susana Sobrino

Italy Consolidated Exchange

Moviegoers in the Vicenza and Camp Darby Military Communities can expect changes in their on-post movie viewing experience in the weeks ahead.

With the shift in Hollywood from 35-millimeter film to digital picture and sound, movie theaters worldwide, including those on U.S. military installations, are upgrading their projection systems to keep up with the new technology. The post theater on Caserma Ederle will close this week to make the switch over and re-open April 11 with an all-digital screening of the hit film "Les Miserables."

"From April 5-10 the theater crew will come in each day at 8 a.m. to undertake the removal of the analog equipment in the projectionist room and the big screen in the theater," said Phil Victorian, AAFES food court manager, who also oversees operations at the post theater.

At the same time, AAFES will close the theater at Camp Darby in late May, according to AAFES officials in Vicenza.

"The Army and Air Force Exchange Service has conducted a comprehensive analysis of attendance for each of its theaters to determine where digital conversion makes sense," said Judd Anstey, a public relations manager with AAFES.

"At locations where customer attendance is decreased, a determination has been made that continued operation is no longer viable.

"Approximately 60 Exchange theaters worldwide are expected to cease operations while 60 others will undergo the transformation to a digital format, at a cost of \$7.4 million. Conversion to digital is expected to be nearly 100 percent complete by the end of 2013," he said.

For those living in Vicenza, the upcoming change is all good news. Digital gives a superior audio and visual presentation. The digital drive, a little bigger than a hardback novel, is loaded onto a computer server and projected through a high-powered digital projector on to the screen.

"Once you see the picture, it's pretty clear why this is the best thing that ever happened to us," said Victorian. "The reports we're getting back from where we've already gone digital, it is actually a better grain as far as the picture goes."

It will also make life notably easier for the theater's projectionists, who will no longer need to wrestle 25-lb. cans of film up to the projection room for screenings, he said. And, fortunately, the change will not displace the theater's work force.

"We are keeping all the projectionists as they are. Once they leave, the title of the job will of course change as

well to another category of employment," said Victorian. The final showing on the old equipment will be a screening of "Broken City" April 4 at 6 p.m. The theater's digital age will kick off April 11 at 6 p.m. with a showing of "Les Miserables."

Opening events will continue April 12 at the main exchange food court with a cake-cutting ceremony. That evening the theater will host red carpet ceremonies at the 6 and 9 p.m. showings. All are invited to dress up as their favorite film character for a chance to win one of five \$25 AAFES gift certificates.

The Camp Darby theater will continue operating with analog equipment until sometime in late May, said Victorian.

"This will have no effect on the stated showings at the Darby theater. They will continue to play the movies on their schedule," he said.

Now Showing

Ederle Theater

April 4	Broken City (R)	6 p.m.
April 11	Les Miserables (PG-13)	6 p.m.
April 12	Beautiful Creatures (PG)	6 p.m.
	Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters (R)	9 p.m.
April 13	42 (PG-13) *	3 p.m.
	Evil Dead (R) *	6 p.m.
April 14	42 (PG-13) *	3 p.m.
	Evil Dead (R) *	6 p.m.
April 17	Beautiful Creatures (PG-13)	6 p.m.
April 18	Hansel & Gretel: Witch Hunters (R)	6 p.m.

Camp Darby Theater

April 5	G.I. Joe: Retaliation (PG-13) *	6 p.m.
April 6	The Call (PG-13) *	6 p.m.
April 12	Evil Dead (R) *	6 p.m.
April 13	Admission (PG-13) *	6 p.m.
April 14	The Croods (PG) *	1 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.

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Italian traffic tickets will find you

By Grant Sattler
USAG Vicenza PAO

You've missed seeing a sign reducing the speed limit and flash, just got busted by a traffic camera.

Back home, you would expect to see a speeding ticket in the mail in a couple of weeks, with options to contest it at traffic court or pay by any of several methods, including online.

But what is the process of getting served with a ticket in Italy? And how do you pay it?

Understanding the traffic ticket process can take some of the stress out of the situation. American drivers are typically caught when speeding or running a red light by an Autovelox box, or enforcement camera, or when driving in a "limited traffic zone" (zona traffico limitato – ZTL as it is known locally) without an authorized license plate.

It can take up to a year for a ticket to reach Italian citizens. For Soldiers and others with the U.S. Forces, it can be even longer, said Andrea Terrell, USAG Vicenza Directorate of Emergency Services Physical Security Officer.

Traffic cameras are operated by myriad different authorities and municipalities. These authorities compile lists of infractions and check license plate images against the Italian registration database for privately owned vehicles. They then forward the tickets to the commune, or local administrative entity, where the offending vehicle is registered.

But in the case of SETAF registered vehicles, it takes more time for POV operators to receive a ticket.

"If they don't find the plate in the Italian registration databases they will forward it to Naples, where the SETAF database is maintained," Terrell said. "Naples will identify the military community and the ticket will then be returned to the authority with that information. For Soldiers, the Italian authority will turn to the SETAF Carabinieri for assistance."

Terrell explained that the MPs assist in identification of the employee or Soldier upon request from the SETAF Carabinieri. Tickets received for Government Owned Vehicles are coordinated with the Transportation Motorpool to determine to whom the vehicle was dispatched and the notification is sent to the unit or individual's supervisor. For Privately Owned Vehicles the notification is sent to the sponsor who registered the vehicle.

"We send an email notification to the sponsor to report to the SETAF Carabinieri to get their ticket," Terrell said. "If it happens to you, just come over to the MP Desk Sergeant and we'll escort you over to the Carabinieri to acknowledge receipt. Notices are in Italian only, so our interpreter can help you if you have questions under-



When driving on the autostrade, the sign above will warn you that the speed tutor system is approaching. To find a map of where the tutor systems are in Italy, visit www.autostrade.it. This site is available in English and also shows you webcams, current traffic and various gas stations.

standing the payment instructions or instructions on what to do to contest a ticket."

Be aware however, that fines are difficult to appeal because enforcement cameras are considered to be accurate and vehicle owners are responsible no matter who was operating the vehicle at the time of the infraction, unless it was reported stolen, he said.

"If you are 'established' on the economy, either in a private rental or own your home, you might be served with a ticket at your residence. In some cases, a municipality representative other than a uniformed officer may be charged with this duty and may come to your home and request you accompany them to a city office to pay your fine," Terrell said. "If this situation arises, our MP interpreters can help you understand what is happening and your responsibility."

Do Italian traffic tickets follow you after you have left Italy?

"We provide the forwarding address and unit of the employee or Soldier," Terrell said. "It is up to the Italian authority to forward the ticket. If you do receive a ticket at your next location, we highly recommend you pay the fine without delay as they can double over time."

In any case, unpaid fines remain in the Italian system and will compound troubles if a Soldier or employee returns to Italy in the future, said Terrell.



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World War II SPY:
Noreen Riols



A tale of a young woman's role in wartime

By Julie Lucas

USAG Vicenza PAO

When asked to name some famous British spies you might think of fictional ones like James Bond, maybe Austin Powers. But how is a real operative trained? Would you be surprised to learn a female, who worked for Winston Churchill for two years, trained many spies during World War II?

The Vicenza military community had a living history lesson that won't be found in textbooks March 28 at the Golden Lion during a Female 2 Female monthly event in conjunction with Women's History Month.

In 1943 Noreen Riols was an average 17-year-old girl living in London, studying at French Lycée when she was notified that she must sign up for her mandatory military service. Because her father was in the Navy she decided that she would like to sign up for the Womens' Royal Naval Service, but mostly because she liked the hat they wore.

"I found (the hat) most seductive and one's legs were shown off to much better advantage in sheer black stockings than in the thick woolly khaki or dull blue ones issued to the unfortunate women recruits to the Army or Royal Air Force," Riols said.

When Riols went to sign up she was told the only positions available were cooks or stewards, which she didn't like. Her only other option was to work in a munitions factory. Riols ran into a friend who got her a job at the BBC, but she was told she must serve her country. When her language skills were discovered by the military, she was whisked away and questioned.

"I was told immediately that I couldn't tell anyone where I worked and what I was doing," Riols said.

Before she knew it, she had agreed to work for the Special Operation Executive, otherwise known as

Churchill's Secret Army that operated on Baker Street in the middle of London, working in the F Section, because of her French language skills.

"Passing by, you'd never know what went on inside. You'd just assume it was another office," Riols said. "The only orders I ever received is to not ask questions, so the less I knew (the better) for my safety. Becoming a very good liar was a way of life."

Now 87 years old, Riols is one of the few surviving members of the SOE. Riols told her family and friends she was working for the Ministry of Agriculture and Fish. The people working for the SOE had no regular hours or weekends off. Agents were trained on clandestine skills including lock picking, blowing safes and killing silently. They were also given four different names and carried an ID card with false information such as education and profession. They were continually quizzed on the details in

case they were captured.

Being a radio operator, which required 8-9 months of training in Scotland, was one of the most dangerous jobs. When sent into "field" they had a 50 percent chance of return.

"We knew if we didn't hear from them within 6-7 days they were dead or caught," Riols said. "These motivated, handsome volunteers received no special benefits. They were paid the same as men filing papers in an office."

The radio operators were given specific times they were to transmit enemy movement or sabotages carried out and could never transmit longer than 50 minutes or the Germans could detect and locate them. Women couriers could easily carry around the transmitter, which weighed around 15 kilos, in baskets with vegetables covering them.

"These men sent so much out in Morse code they thought the birds



Seated right, British espionage trainer Noreen Riols worked undercover during World War II. She visited Caserma Ederle to be a guest speaker at a garrison Female 2 Female event March 28 in Vicenza. Courtesy photos



USAG Vicenza Commander, Col. David Buckingham, thanks Noreen Riols for sharing her life story with members of the VMC at an F2F event March 28 on Caserma Ederle. [Click here](#) for more photos. Photo by Julie Lucas

sang in Morse," Riols said with a chuckle.

The agents were given L tablets which contain cyanide that were often sewn into clothes, hidden in hollow pipes or even a tube of lipstick to take if captured. After taking the tablet, you'd be dead within 2 minutes.

"Brave men are always afraid of the possibility to face up to fear," Riols said. "These men didn't realize the danger — death happened to other people."

After a short period of time Riols was sent to a cottage in the forest that belonged to a member of Churchill's family that became known as a "finishing school" for the spies. Riols's job was to see if she could get them to give up information before they were sent out.

Riols believes there were at least two known enemy agents working within her section.

"One man who organized the parachutes was working for the Gestapo and was imprisoned in 1948." The other man was never charged and is now dead.

When the war ended Riols went to work for the BBC for 5 and half years. She then married a Frenchman, Jacques, who had been a spy. Together they have five children, nine grandchildren and are expecting a fourth and fifth great grandchild.

While Riols was in Vicenza, she spoke with students at the Vicenza Middle School.

VMS principal Dr. Julio Gonzalez said, "This is such an amazing, once-of-a-lifetime opportunity for our students."

In 1990, files about the existence of the SOE were released to the public. Riols said people found it hard to believe what she had done for a living.

"People told me, 'I had no idea, why didn't you tell me?'" Riols said. Riols also had a radio show called, "Women's Hour" and worked as a freelance writer for many years. Her twelfth book being released in August is a personal memoir in which she discusses her life and work during the war. She still hasn't forgotten those brave men who made the ultimate sacrifice during war.

"The mission to the end of their lives was so that we can have our tomorrow," Riols said.

Riols said if you ever see someone with a very small pin that looks like a parachute to walk up to them and say, "S-O-E!"

VMC volunteer makes a big 'savings' impact

By Becky Watson

ACS Financial Readiness Program

For more than three years Tricia Bailey (pictured right) has provided superior support to the Vicenza Military Community as the ACS volunteer coupon program manager. The coupon program helps to provide community members and installation organizations with additional savings, an invaluable service given the reality of current fiscal constraints.

Coupons are valid overseas for six months after their expiration date, so hundreds of stateside organizations mail coupons to ACS in support of our military community. Bailey supported the ACS staff every week with mail pick-up, using her own vehicle to retrieve dozens of boxes full of coupon donations from the post office.

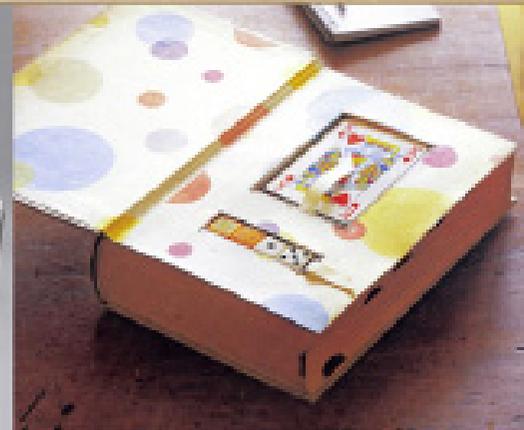
She then corresponded with coupon program volunteers to coordinate a systematic sorting process. Because many of the coupon program volunteers stay at home with small children, Bailey would deliver coupons throughout the community to enable these spouses to volunteer from home while facilitating access to savings.

Bailey also ensured that coupons are routinely stocked in the bins located in the ACS lobby and the commissary for community use. Each week, she facilitated the taping of coupons onto Commissary items. Even if volunteers were unable to assist on a designated taping day, Bailey singlehandedly dedicated hours of her time to maneuver down each Commissary aisle, taping coupons onto shelf items in order to make saving effortless for the community patrons.

Because of Bailey's efforts and the support of coupon program volunteers, ACS has been able to host quarterly coupon socials at which community members can select useful savings regularly.



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Indigo master Linda LaBalle makes **colors** brighter

Story and photos by Julie Lucas
USAG Vicenza PAO



When Vicenza Middle School art teacher Melanie Mann was doing some Internet research last summer she came across information about an artist living in North Carolina who travels to schools, teaching children about dyeing techniques.

After raising funds from three community organizations to bring her to Vicenza as a guest, Mann was pleased to welcome indigo artist Linda LaBalle to Italy March 25 to teach the VMS students about her studies.

"We are so delighted to have Ms. LaBalle here, and how the community came together to support this fun yet educational lesson," Mann said.

LaBalle kicked off her week of education in school assembly, speaking about her Silk Road travels. She ran two different sessions per day the rest of the week with all sixth-graders and with seventh- and eighth-grade art students, approximately 180 children in total.

The sixth-grade students studied the dyeing techniques with a cloth, rubber bands and a plastic pipe. This is just one out of the five techniques. Other techniques include marbles, clothes pins or chop sticks, which is a technique she invented, LaBalle said.

The students had to learn vocabulary words before LaBalle's arrival that helped them understand the lesson. Oxidation, pH scale, acid, alkaline and body temperature are all important terms to help them understand the process when working with indigo.

According to LaBalle, indigo can be found in Africa as well as Mexico, Japan and India, which is where the ink came from for this particular lesson. Indigo has been very important for years in trading. Historically it is believed that the pirate Bluebeard used indigo to dye his beard. Indigo has also been used as face paint, similar to one sees in the movie "Braveheart."

During the class LaBalle described an indigo ceremony where a prayer is given.

"Let's hope for a good blue color and maybe some good weather," LaBalle said with a laugh. She said it is traditional that clothes are dyed once a year to keep the color strong.

The students then dipped their cloth in the indigo pots that are kept hot at 108 degrees Fahrenheit. Chemistry is very important during this process and oxygen does play a role, which is why it was important for the children to learn about it before the process.

Funds to assist with the lesson came from the Vicenza Community Club, the PTSA and the Arts and Crafts Center.

"I think it is a fantastic opportunity for our students and we are so lucky to incorporate so many lessons for our students," said Julio Gonzalez, VMS principal.

LaBalle also taught two classes at the Arts and Crafts Center using the Japanese *shibori* techniques with silk scarves.



Vicenza Middle School students receive a lesson from Linda LaBalle in dyeing with indigo March 26. [Click here](#) for more photos.



Women continue to make historic changes

Commentary by Julie M. Lucas
USAG Vicenza PAO

During this year's Women's History Month, to me the biggest milestone set in recent history is the Department of Defense's end of the direct ground combat unit exclusion for female service members announced a few months ago.

I remember thinking less than two weeks before the change, "Why do they even have that rule?"

For the past 10 years, I've seen plenty of female military friends in numerous military occupational specialties wearing Combat Action Badges. Former Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta said, "(In war zones) they are fighting and dying together. The time has come for our policies to recognize that reality." The International Business Times estimates that 280,000 females have been deployed in Iraq and Afghanistan in the past 12 years; 152 women were killed in action and 800 wounded.

According to the National Archives

American women have been fighting in combat since the Revolutionary and Civil wars, except they had to conceal their gender. The United States prides itself on securing freedoms and rights, but we are actually pretty far behind on this move. Australia, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Israel and New Zealand all allow women to fight on the front lines, with Norway being the first NATO country to allow women to serve in all combat capacities including duty aboard submarines.

One of the more memorable stories that came from operations in Iraq involved a female Soldier who was a prisoner of war, Jessica Lynch. Even though she wasn't on the front lines fighting, she certainly saw her fair share of danger just doing her job. I'm always in awe when I see these tiny women with huge packs on their backs, sometimes rucking more than half of their own body weight.

Although I have never been deployed, I remain realistic about expectations of certain jobs. The places that

our 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team Soldiers have been do not sound like fun, nor a good time. I harbor no illusions that it is as glamorous as Demi Moore in G.I. Jane.

But I'm excited about women today being given the chance to prove themselves worthy to fight alongside men as they did during our nation's earlier struggles for the freedoms we now defend. To me, this right is just as important as being given the right to vote and all the other things women have had to fight for.

Here on Caserma Ederle we are also creating new initiatives for women with the Female 2 Female program. This is a first of its kind group to help acclimate females to life overseas by creating a network. The next F2F event will be April 24 at 4 p.m. at the Golden Lion with a focus on sexual assault. This initiative is the kind of thing that makes me proud to be a female, working for this organization and to know that I do matter.



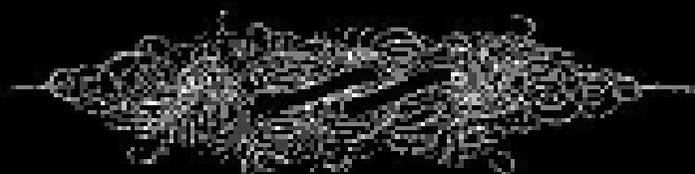
Photo by David Ruderman

Vicenza stands down to listen up

Soldiers from 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team watch 'The Invisible War' at the Arena on Caserma Ederle April 3. A screening of the hard-hitting documentary, followed by discussion of sexual assault prevention by command and unit leaders, was a central element of the installation-wide shutdown undertaken in Vicenza.

Vicenza Community Club Luncheon

I Love
PARIS
in the
Springtime



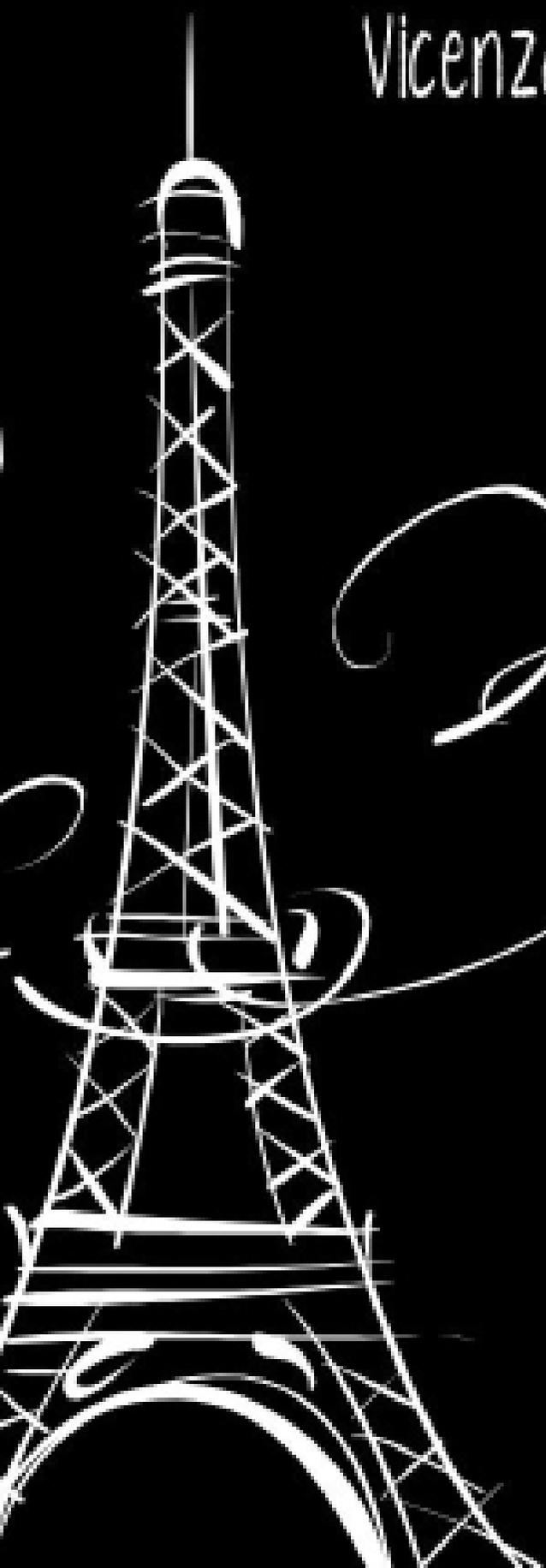
Wednesday, April 17, 2013

11:30am - 1:30pm

Golden Lion

\$15 per person

RSVP and pay by April 12 @
reservations@vccitaly.org



What's on your plate this Spring?



Story and photos by Joyce Costello

USAG Vicenza PAO

Say the word “vegetable” too loudly in a fast food establishment and you can quickly feel like a social pariah.

I admit that I know people who cringe at the thought of eating anything that is not a beige processed sort of thing resembling food. Fortunately, Capt. Carly Eckard, dietician at U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza, was able to spice up what could have been a rather bland lunch hour with a new Seasonal Spring Vegetable cooking class at the Art Center March 26.

The class focused on roasted artichokes, arugula pesto and roasted green and white asparagus basted in Dijon vinaigrette served on arugula salad. Despite the plastic cutlery, it had the makings of a Michelin star vegetable side dish.

“Trying seasonal vegetable can be a really good way to try new things and find healthier things that are cheaper,” said Eckard. “When things are readily available, especially in the local markets, they can be pretty inexpensive, so it’s a good way to eat more healthfully on a budget.

“We get lots of people that tell me it’s too expensive to eat healthfully. With vegetables we tend to think of steaming or eating them raw, and a lot of people aren’t satisfied with that; so this class shows there are better ways,” she said.

According to Eckard, Italy is the number one producer of artichokes in the world. There are about 10 varieties of artichoke, which are actually flowery plants of the thistle family, that are in season from March through May. Arugula and asparagus in Italy are also in season from around the end of March through May and June, she said.

Eckard’s students began preparing their artichokes by stuffing them with a clove of garlic and seasoning them with olive oil and lemon juice before wrapping them in tin foil.

“Most of the time people steam or boil an artichoke, but roasting is really my favorite because you can bring out the flavors of the vegetable regardless of what it is,” said Eckard. “Plus, when we do dry cooking methods, we retain a lot of the nutrients of the vegetable. Steaming vegetables doesn’t lose as much as boiling, but any time you’re using some water you do lose some of the nutrients.”

While the artichoke roasted slowly for an hour, the class moved on to making fresh, simple vinaigrette from shallots, lemon zest and juice, Dijon mustard, wine vinegar and olive oil.

“Healthy foods taste the best when you use simple ingredients,” said Eckard. “So instead of trying to use a lot of canned or frozen foods, if you just take a simple vegetable and cook it in a simple way, you can really bring out the flavor and have it taste good.”

That might take some getting used to.

[Click here for more photos](#)

"Most people are used to mushy, water logged, over cooked vegetables," Eckard said.

As the asparagus roasted for 12 minutes, the class quickly made fresh arugula pesto by simply tossing the free ingredients into a food processor and blending.

"The new combinations of flavors was a great way to really incorporate seasonal vegetables in Italy with my family's cooking traditions and routines that we have in our own home," said Lauren Beecher, as she sampled the cornucopia of seasonal specialties.

"My family is pretty good about eating vegetables, but I think we get stuck in a rut, so it's always nice to have fresh ideas from the instructor and from my classmates," she said.

For those who missed Eckard's artichoke and arugula experience, she will offer other seasonal cooking classes in the future.

"I want to get people to try new foods and to not be afraid of experimenting with vegetables; getting more healthy foods into people's diets from a positive stand point," said Eckard.

Learn more about eating healthfully and on a budget at <http://www.choosemyplate.gov>.



Try it at home- Roasted Artichokes

Preparation time: 5 minutes

Cooking time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

Ingredients:

4 whole large artichokes

2 lemons, halved

4 cloves garlic, peeled, left whole

4 tbsp olive oil

1 tsp salt

Preparation: Using a serrated knife, cut off the stem of the artichoke where it meets the base. Turn the artichoke around and cut one inch off the top. Quickly rub each artichoke with a cut lemon so it won't discolor. Tear off four large, square pieces of heavy-duty foil. Rub a few drops of olive oil on the foil and place an artichoke stem side down. Stick a clove of garlic into the center and push down an inch or so.

Sprinkle with a 1/4 tsp of salt. Drizzle 1 tbsp olive oil over the top. Finish by squeezing the half lemon over the top. The lemon juice will "wash" the salt and olive down in between the leaves.

Gather up the corners of the foil and press together on top to tightly seal the artichoke (as you would a chocolate kiss). You can wrap it in a second piece of foil if you don't think you have a tight enough seal.

Repeat with the other artichokes. Place in a roasting pan and bake at 425 degrees Fahrenheit for 1 hour and 30 minutes. Let rest for 20 minutes before unwrapping and serving. Makes four roasted artichokes that can be eaten hot, warm or chilled.



Bembo exhibit great reason to visit Padua

By USAG Vicenza PAO

Pietro Bembo and a remarkable collection of art objects he assembled in his lifetime are on display at Monte di Pietà in Padova through May 19.

If you needed another reason to visit this vibrant university town and cultural center about 25 miles southeast of Vicenza, this exhibit should do the trick.

Visitors can experience a journey through the history of art and catch a glimpse of the stimulating atmosphere of the Renaissance by strolling through the exhibit, heralded as one of the most important to arrive in Padua in 2013.

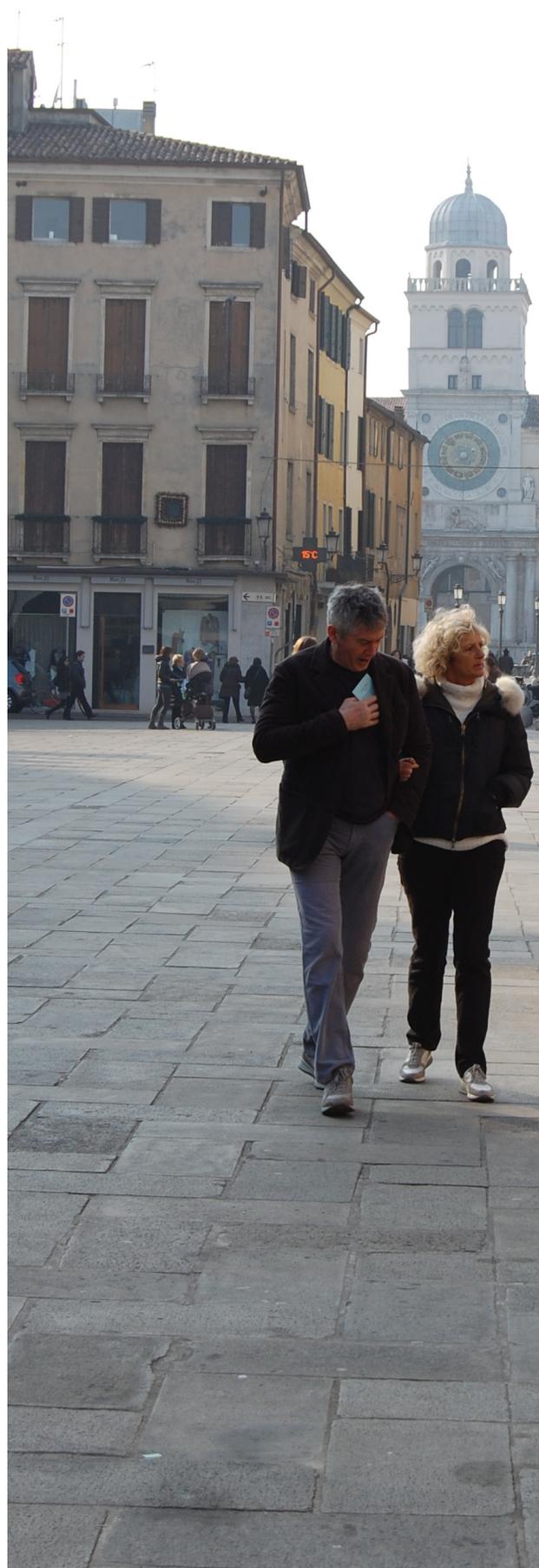
The formal title tells it all: Pietro Bembo and the Invention of the Renaissance. The show brings to life the refined cultural atmosphere of the Italian Renaissance by gathering together in Padua exemplary paintings, sculpture, bronzes, coins and gems of the period, which Bembo assembled himself during his residence in the city.

Bembo's career took him through the corridors of power and the royal courts and workshops of the Italian Renaissance during its peak years, the end of the fifteenth and first half of the sixteenth centuries. The son a Venetian noble man, he was a man of power and discernment in the courts of Ferrara and councils of the Church, attaining the rank of cardinal. He is known for his important influence on the development of the Italian language and the flourishing of the madrigal as a musical form, as well as a dalliance with Lucrezia Borgia.

The exhibit at the Monte di Pietà brings together master works by such Renaissance luminaries as Titian (whose portrait of Bembo is on display), Mantegna and Raphael. Artwork on loan from museums across Europe and around the world recreate the ambience of Bembo's time, and one need not fully understand the history or speak Italian to soak in the impressions of what it must have felt like to live during a period which is generally considered a high water mark of Western cultural genius. Bring your children with you; they'll remember the experience.

And once you've had your fill of high culture, the street life, cafes, shops and restaurants of one of Italy's most walkable and enjoyable urban gems await you.

For information in English on the exhibition go to <http://www.mostrabembo.it/>.





Photos by David Ruderman

VMC Eggstravaganza

Hundreds of children and parents participate in the Eggstravaganza held on Caserma Ederle March 30. The annual Easter event included activities such as the egg hunt, balloon creations, face painting and a variety of arts and crafts activities. Many community members also had their photo taken with the Easter Bunny. In addition to the activities, music, hotdogs and drinks provided by USO and BOSS were available at the event.

[Click here](#) for more photos by Laura Kreider.





MONTH OF THE
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 PROUD ★ READY ★ RESILIENT www.armymwr.com/momc

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
CYSS Youth Babysitters Class	April 5	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	Youth Center
SAC Parent/Child BBQ	April 5	11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.	School Age Center
CYSS Field Day	April 9	3 – 5 p.m.	School Playground
SAC Horseback Riding	April 12	9 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	S. Rossore Paddocks
Parent Education: MCEC Book Presentation	April 17	11 a.m. – 1 p.m.	Darby Post Library
PS Picnic with Parents	April 17	11:15 a.m.	Preschool Playground
Parent Education: Child Abuse Prevention & Reporting	April 18	4:30 – 6:30 p.m.	Youth Center
imAlone Workshop	April 23	4:30 p.m.	Youth Center
CDC Family Breakfast	April 24	7:30 a.m.	Child Development Center

For more information call 633-7681 or visit www.vicenza.armyMWR.com.

Darby thanks volunteer

Camp Darby has been very lucky to have found an angel among the pines. Her name is Linette Burge and if you don't know her by name you most certainly know her by deeds.

Burge had been one of our Air Force key spouses, but has been so much more to the entire Darby Military Community. Through her participation and leadership roles in Darby play groups and crafting circles, cookie drives and holiday parties, Burge has assisted many throughout the whole Darby community.

Some who know her casually do not know the strength this woman possesses. I can attest to it first hand, having watched her manage motherhood, marriage, sisterhood, friendship and sponsorship while keeping it all together.

She is a font of knowledge and strength, a firecracker and a get-it-done lady of the highest order.

Burge continued to be there for spouses, and sometimes the parents of spouses, throughout the course of her own husband's tour, when she had to return home to the U.S. many times with her own children in tow to tend to a very cherished and ill family member. She took it all in stride and continued



Photo by DMC Chapel

Linette Burge and her husband Jeremiah pose for a photo at a recent chapel event.

to be there for so many of the Darby community. Even when it didn't fit into her life, she made it fit. I cannot even begin to cover what she has done in her few short years among us, nor could I tell you how many spouses she comforted and assisted, or children she tended to, but she was always there to assist in one way or another. This I know.

Burge has been at Camp Darby since

2010. She will be moving to Nevada around the middle of this month and we will miss her very, very much.

Linette, you are one tough cookie and an angel. The DMC, its various commands and the community spouses were so lucky to have had you. You rock!

~ Nicole Marquez



Darby Easter Fest

Despite the rainy weather, Easter Fest attracted over a hundred people to the Darby Military Community DCC March 30. The outdoor Easter Egg hunt was cancelled, but the Easter Bunny and FMWR volunteers handed out toy filled eggs to all the children. Military members and their families along with local nationals met the Easter Bunny, decorated eggs, played games, frosted and decorated cupcakes, and had a hot lunch cooked up by Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS) representatives. [Click here](#) to see more photos by Amy Drummond



Friends of Camp Darby presents...



il Giardino Sospeso
April 27th at 0930

Bring your family and join us for an outdoor adventure like we've never done before. Il Giardino Sospeso is a hanging ropes course for children and adults.

Friends of Camp Darby will be meeting at 0930 in the Post Office parking lot and car pooling/caravanning to Riparbella.

COST: 110-140cm - €12,00
Over 140cm - €15,00 (includes 2.5 hours of equipment rental)
Free park entrance for anyone not using the equipment.
(Children under 110cm may not use the equipment.)

PLEASE NOTE: This establishment does NOT take credit/debit cards. To use the hanging ropes course, you must leave your passport or other photo ID while in possession of the safety equipment. Military ID is not recommended.

GPS Coordinates: +43° 20' 16.83", +10° 32' 2.09" (43.338008, 10.533915)

RSVP BY APRIL 24TH to friendsofcampdarby@yahoo.com

Prosecco Spring a sure sign of the season

The hills of the *Altamarca Trevigiana* are dotted with castles, abbeys and vineyards, home to an ancient wine culture featuring the sparkling white wine, Prosecco. See listings for tips on where to go to enjoy and celebrate the arrival of spring.

Photo by Laura Kreider



VENETO

Mostra Cartizze e Valdobbiadene DOCG Prosecco Spring

A sure sign that spring is in the air, the 11th edition of the traditional wine exhibition *Mostra Cartizze e Valdobbiadene DOCG*, a must-see gastronomic event for residents and visitors alike, will take place in San Giovanni di Valdobbiadene, about 40 miles northeast of Vicenza, from April 13-25. It's part of the annual 'Primavera del Prosecco,' Spring of the Prosecco, which covers the entire area of the *Altamarca Trevigiana* throughout the spring. This region lies in the heart of the Veneto and includes many hills around the Piave River at the foot of the *Prealpi Bellunesi*, from Valdobbiadene to Vittorio Veneto and passing through Conegliano. Each week, different towns host a festa, where visitors can taste and purchase local *Prosecco*, the white sparkling wine. Typical local products complement the Prosecco, which is emblematic of a region with ancient castles, abbeys and vineyards dotting a landscape of hills and with beautiful vistas between Conegliano and Valdobbiadene, Italy's first enological route (wine road), inaugurated in 1966 and renamed Prosecco and Colli Conegliano Valdobbiadene Wine Road in 2003. Volunteers from local associations promoting culture and tourism organize a total of 15 shows spread across the territory to promote its wine culture. The 2013 season ends in July with three exhibits in Jesolo, Caorle and Bibione. For information in English go to www.primaveraprosecco.it.

Vicenza Guitar Festival

Featuring electric and acoustic guitar show

and market with musicians including Eugenio Bennato, Frank Vignola, Pedro Javier González Trio, Roberto Dalla Vecchia, Massimo Varini, Pork McElhinny, Suzy Bogguss, Pat Bergeson and Luca Colombo. April 19 from 8:45 p.m. to midnight at Teatro Olimpico; entry is €30; April 19-21, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Basilica Palladiana; entry is €30; April 19-21, 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Patronage Leo XIII Theatre, entry is €30; April 20, 8:45 p.m. to midnight at Vicenza Municipal Theatre, Viale Giuseppe Mazzini 19, entry is €20. Details are on the web at www.vicenzaguitarfestival.com.

Modern and Contemporary Art Fair

April 6-7, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and April 8, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Pordenone, Viale Treviso 1, about 90 miles northeast of Vicenza. The event includes painting, sculpture, graphics, photography, metalwork, fabrics, ceramics, glass, jewelry, folk art, antiques, rugs and handicrafts. Admission is €8, €5 for children 11-14 and free for children 10 and under.

Mondo Motori – Motor Show

April 6, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. and April 7, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., in Vicenza, Via dell'Oreficeria 16. Entrance is €12, reduced entry is €8; to request the reduced entrance fee visit <http://www.mondomotorishow.it>. Free for children under 10.

Su e Zo Per i Ponti — Up and down over the bridges

The 35th annual edition of this event will take place April 6-7 in Venice, featuring a 13-km non-competitive walk which crosses 56 bridges. Every year, *Su e Zo per i Ponti di Venezia* attracts between 10,000-12,000 runners and hikers of all ages.

International boat and nautical show

April 5-7 and April 12-14, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. in Venice, at Parco San Giuliano. Admission is: €7.50, €5 for children 12-16 and free for children under 12. Sailboats and motorboats, sporting events, workshops, nautical fashion and exhibitions are scheduled. For information in English go to <http://www.festivaldelmare.com/index.php?lang=en>.

Vicenza, pensieri e sogni – Vicenza, thoughts and dreams

Vicenza historical postcard exhibit ongoing through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Basilica Palladiana, Piazza dei Signori. Entry is €3, reduced €2, and includes access to the basilica upper loggia and terrace.

Vinitaly in Verona

The 47th annual Vinitaly exhibition will be held in Verona April 7-10 featuring the latest developments in the Italian wine sector. Topical workshops and wine tasting sessions are scheduled during the show as well. For more, go to www.vinitaly.com.

TUSCANY

Agrifera 2013

The annual Agrifera, which takes place April 20 to May 1 in Pontasserchio, San Giuliano Terme (PI),

recalls the spirit of a village festival promoting ancient traditions, history and local culture. Main themes include local products, agricultural machinery, animal husbandry and floriculture as well as exhibits, round tables and seminars to promote agriculture and protect the environment. Open daily from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. For details, go to www.agrifieratoscana.com.

Lastra a Signa

Lastra a Signa (FI) will host its Botany and Spring exhibit April 12-14. The monumental historic park of Villa Caruso will display an enormous range of flowers, shrubs, fruit trees and the second showing of the Italian Saffron Market. Daily programs will include classes that range from the cultivation of orchids to the use of herbs from ancient times to the present. April 12 from 3-8 p.m. and April 13-14 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. For details, go to www.villacaruso.it.

Antique and Flea markets

Upcoming area markets include:

- ☒ **Arezzo** - April 6-7, 500 vendors, Piazza San Francesco, Piazza Grande, Corso Italia and surrounding streets
- ☒ **Carnignano (PO)** - April 7
- ☒ **San Giuliano Terme (PI)** - April 7
- ☒ **Prato** - April 10
- ☒ **Lucca** - April 20-21, 200 vendors, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., near Cathedral San

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

Martino (Duomo)

☒ **Marina di Pisa (PI)** - April 21

☒ **Florence** - daily, 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sant’Ambrogio, Piazza Ghiberti

San cascianese Carnival

April 7 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. in San Casciano in Val di Pesa (Florence). This medieval Fest will feature street performers, animation, shows and a full medieval-style market. Major event will include the *Giostra delle contrade* in which fighters dressed in medieval costumes will compete for the “key of the village.” Get details online at www.laboratorioamaltea.org.

Comic and Records Exhibit

April 13-14 from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. in Scandicci (FI). This fourth annual exhibit will feature cartoons, comics and vinyl recordings. The event will take place at the Sports Palace, via dei Turri. Admission and parking are free. Details at www.fumettiedintorni.it.



Explore Cinque Terre

The “five lands by the sea” can be explored by the natural hiking trails, a train that goes from town to town and a ferry. Before you visit, make sure to check the online trail guide to see which areas are open at http://www.parconazionale5terre.it/sentieri_parco.asp?id_lingue=2





Family and MWR

Vicenza Military Community

Celebrate Month of the Military Child

- April 18, 1:30 p.m. Ice Cream Social-Davis Hall
 - April 20, 10 a.m. Organic Farm Day –PCS
 - April 20, 7 p.m. Karaoke –Golden Lion
 - April 22-27 Missoula Children's Theatre
 - April 23, 5 p.m. Family Cooking-Arts and Crafts
 - April 24, 3 p.m. Papermaking- Arts and Crafts
 - April 25 Take your Child to Work Day
 - April 30 Parent Education Conference –PCS
- Some activities require registration. Find a complete schedule of events in the news section on www.vicenza.armymwr.com or call 634-7206.

Arena Family Fun Night

Kids young and old come out and dance the night away at the Arena. Learn new line dances and polish up some old ones. Enjoy cool and crazy lights, a movie and specials on bowling and strike zone menu. Every Sunday 5-8 p.m. Call 634-8257 for more information. Some activities require registration. Find a complete schedule of events in the news section on www.vicenza.armymwr.com or call 633-7589.



National Library Week Celebrations

The Ederle Library hosts an Altered Book Contest during National Library Week. Entries are due by April 15. During the week stop by the library and vote for your favorites. The winners will be announced on April 19. Come by our open house on April 16, 3-5 p.m. to enjoy refreshments and door prizes while you find out all our library has to offer. Call 634-7291 for information.

ODR Trips

- April 13, 7:30 a.m. Trieste and Miramare
- April 20, 7 a.m. Florence and the Accademia
- April 23, 8:30 a.m. Italian Market Culture
- April 27, 6:30 a.m. Innsbruck and Swarovski Crystal
- April 30, 8:30 a.m. Palladian Villa Tour

BOSS Bowling Night

Enjoy bowling and pizza with other single Soldiers at the Arena on April 16, 7-10 p.m.

Register using MWR Online Services for:

Vicenza Trip & Classes

Vicenza CYSS Activities





Darby Military Community

Celebrate Month of the Military Child

- April 17, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Parent Education – Library
- April 17, 11:15 a.m. PS Parent Picnic-Playground
- April 18, 4:30 p.m. Parent Education Youth Center
- April 23, 4:30 p.m. imAlone Workshop-YouthCenter
- April 24, 7:30 a.m. Family Breakfast -CDC

Some activities may require registration. Find a complete schedule of events in the news section on www.vicenza.armymwr.com or call 633-7681.

National Library Week Celebrations

Open house on April 17 ,begins with children's story time at 10 a.m. Then enjoy a wonderful display of arts, crafts and jewelry created by members of the Darby community and Elementary School. At lunchtime, the ACS table presents new materials devoted to the Military Child Education Coalition. At 4:30 p.m. there will be an online seminar on How to Navigate the Federal Job System. You can also discover how you can download magazine and ebooks free with the Army Library System. Find out more about online general and continuing education classes and check out our newest books and videos.

ODR Trips

- April 12, 7 a.m. San Gimignano and Siena
 - April 13, 9 a.m. Florence
 - April 20, 10:30 a.m. Wine Tasting Tour
 - April 27, 9 a.m. International Handicraft Fair
- Complete list and trip info on www.vicenza.armymwr.com

Softball Tryouts

Due to the recent heavy rains softball tryouts have been rescheduled to April 11,12 and 13. For latest information call 634-7438.

Softball Officials Clinic

Officials are needed for the upcoming season. If you are interested in officiating softball you should attend the official's clinic on April 22-25, 5:30 -8:30 p.m. There is no charge for the clinic but you must register by calling 633-7438 before April 19.



Darby Beach Splash

Get ready to hit the beach! April 18 , 4 p.m. at the Darby Community Club you will be able to rent an umbrella or cabana for the season and purchase your season beach and pool passes . There will be music, refreshments and door prizes too. This events open to U.S ID card holders only . Find complete information and 2013 season price information on our website.

Register using MWR Online Services for:

Darby Trip & Classes

Darby CYSS Activities



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Visit the community calendar for more upcoming events and details

www.usag.vicenza.army.mil

Financial assistance update

Given the uncertain future of Military Tuition Assistance program, the USAG Education Center is providing Financial Aid Workshops and help in applying for financial aid programs to active duty students. Workshops meet Tuesdays from 10-11 a.m. at the Education Center, Building 113, Room 12. Workshops are open to DoD civilians, retirees, dependents and active duty. For information call 634-8933 or email vicenza.edcenter@us.army.mil.

Mission first, safety always

Daylight Savings time began March 31 and here are a few items to consider as we roll into spring season. This is the right time to replace the batteries in smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors, and change furnace filters for more efficient use of your heater and air conditioner. Be sure to check the windows to make sure screens survived the winter. For tips on seasonal tune-ups, go to <http://www.familyhandyman.com/DIY-Projects/Home-Repair/>.

WO Spring Ball and Social

The European Region Warrant Officers host a Spring Ball April 6 at the Edelweiss Resort in Garmisch, Germany. Tickets, \$40, are on sale at www.rhein-neckarsilver.org. Proceeds of the event are returned to Army communities across Europe through scholarships and the like.

414th CSB Quarterly Training

The 414th Contracting Support Brigade will conduct quarterly training April 23-24 for personnel who need acquisition planning and requirement documents development training. Training will certify new personnel and recertify current Contracting Officer Representatives, Government Purchase Card holders and Field

Ordering Officials for all USARAF, USAG-Vicenza and tenant units. Go to <https://portal.setaf.army.mil/CSB414/training> to register online or call John Dingeman at 637-7728 for assistance.

Vet clinic hours update

Vicenza VTF (veterinary clinic) hours of operation are Monday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. by appointment only. The clinic is closed Saturday and Sunday, except for Saturday April 13, when it will be open from 8 a.m. to noon for walk-in vaccinations and health certificate examinations. The clinic is closed on all federal and training holidays, and the afternoon of the last working day of each month. Call 635-4841 to schedule an appointment for your pet.

Asian-Pacific volunteers

The Vicenza Military Community Equal Opportunity Office seeks volunteers to lend their energy, ideas, experience and creativity in support of Asian, Pacific-American Heritage Month observances scheduled for the month of May. All are welcome to participate. Call Master Sgt. Richard Colon at 634-7914 or via email at richard.colonvaldes.mil@mail.mil.

Sweets and Treats

The 386th Movement Control Team Family Readiness Group will conduct a Sweets and Treats bake sale April 22 from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in front of the PX. All are welcome. Proceeds will help the FRG support its deployed Soldiers and their families.

Mini-STEM symposium

The Vicenza Elementary and Middle School PTSAs will host a Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) symposium at the elementary school MPR April 24 from 5-7 p.m. featuring way cool science stuff. All are welcome.

TARP/OPSEC brief

Mandatory annual community

make-up TARP/OPSEC briefings will be conducted April 23 and 24 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the post theater. Briefings will be conducted in English.

UMUC Commencement

The University of Maryland University College Europe is pleased to announce its 61st commencement ceremony will take place May 4 in Heidelberg, Germany. The guest speakers will be Lt. Col. S. Woodruff Bentley, Sr. and Lt. Col. William C. Bentley III.

VES-VMS events

- ☑ **April 18-19: Scholastic book fair** and spirit wear sale, both days from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the MPR stage.
- ☑ **April 24: Science Night**, 5-7 p.m. in the MPR.

Friends of Camp Darby Scholarship

Deadlines are approaching for the Friends of Camp Darby's Women's Empowerment Award and Graduating Senior Scholarship. Deadlines are April 19, so finish up and submit your applications now.

FCD Wine Tasting Club

Join Friends of Camp Darby Wine Tasting Club April 20 at La Tana in Cresina. <http://friendsofcampdarby.com/>

Cooking Classes for Camp Darby residents

Join FCD and Chef Paolo Monti for cooking classes Saturdays at 10 a.m. located at Ristorante la Cantina Di Carignano, via di Sant'Alessio, n 3684, Lucca. See the list of upcoming classes on http://friendsofcampdarby.com/?page_id=224

AFN Vicenza serves DMC

AFN Vicenza is serving Camp Darby now. If you have an event to publicize, send relevant information via email to afnvicenza@afn.dma.mil or call DSN 634-7836.



Holocaust Days of Remembrance
Date: 18 April 2013
Time: 1530
Caserma Ederle Post Chapel

For more information, please contact EO Office at 634-7914/6061



CPR- AED First Aid Class

Course Fee:
\$55.00
(includes materials)

6 April 2013
4 May 2013
0830 – 1630



American Red Cross

When an Emergency

Strikes,
Will You Be Ready to
SAVE a Life?

Registration required prior to class

*Sign up at the Red Cross Office in Bldg. 333 or
For more information, call DSN: 634-7089 or CIV:
0444-71-7089*

**U.S. Army Africa FRG
SPRING CLEANING
Fund Raiser Event**
April 27, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

VHS Cafeteria

RSVP table for \$20

USARAF.FRGLLeader@gmail.com

Religious Activities

Chaplain Crisis Line

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

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

Catholic Summer Program for Children This summer we are conducting a one week Catholic Summer Program for Children in preschool - 6th grade entitled Growing with the Saints in Faith, Hope and Charity. POC can be reached at sattlerclan@yahoo.com

No CCD Classes April 7, 14

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

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.

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

Vicenza Hospitality House: A good place for anyone - single Soldiers, men, women and couples to enjoy food, fun and fellowship. Tuesday: Dinner at 6:30 p.m. with PMOC Bible Study and Women's study following at 7:30. Friday: Potluck Dinner at 6:30 p.m. with Walk in the Word following. Call if you need transportation. For more information call 0444-581-427

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

Club Beyond activities

April 8- 14 Middle School Students Adventure Camp Trip to Belgium

April 18- Middle School Adventure Camp Reunion at 5:30 p.m. at Arena with free pizza and bowling.

High School Service Project registrations are now open. DSN 634-7757

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 Meaning and Saving Significance of the Resurrection" According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church

By Father Wieslaw Dynek

Lt. Col, US Army

The Paschal mystery has two aspects: by his death, Christ liberates us from sin; by his Resurrection, he opens for us the way to a new life. This new life is above all justification that reinstates us in God's grace, "so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life." Justification consists in both victory over the death caused by sin and a new participation in grace. It brings about filial adoption so that men become Christ's brethren, as Jesus himself called his disciples after his Resurrection: "Go and tell my brethren." We are brethren not by nature, but by the gift of grace, because that adoptive filiation gains us a real share in the life of the only Son, which was fully revealed in his Resurrection.

Finally, Christ's Resurrection—and the risen Christ himself—is the principle and source of our future resurrection: "Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. . . . For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive." The risen Christ lives in the hearts of his faithful while they await that fulfillment. In Christ, Christians "have tasted . . . the powers of the age to come" and their lives are swept up by Christ into the heart of divine life, so that they may "live no longer for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised."

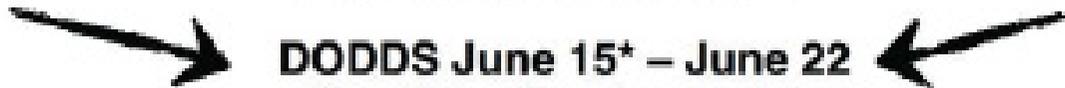


Registration Is Open!!!!



MCYM/ Club Beyond Summer Service Project

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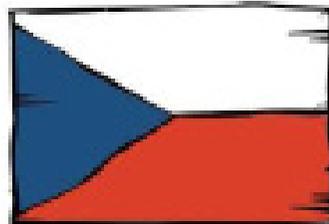


DODDS June 15* – June 22

**Travel Date will vary by community*

International Schools, June 29 – July 5 **

***Dates Confirmed – Location TBD*



Czech Republic!!!

Sports shorts

VCC Cherry Blossom hike

Get up close and personal with the wonders of spring on a walking tour of the cherry tree blossoms in the Lumignano-Castegnaro with the Vicenza Community Club walking and hiking club April 14. The area is famous for its short yet brilliant blooming season that never fails to astound spectators. Hikers will traverse slopes of the Berici Hills, pausing for rest at a little 13th-century church. Refreshments at the hike's end will include locally produced delicacies. Details are on the web at <http://vccitaly.org/mini-clubs/walking/>. Participants will meet at 8:50 a.m. at the Lumignano church parking lot, Via L. Mazzaretto 1, Lumignano di Longare, or carpool from the Vicenza Commissary parking lot at 8:15 a.m. The hike will last till about 12:30 p.m. Cost is €5, free for children 12 and younger. RSVP by

April 8 by dropping off names and payment at the VCC drop box outside the Thrift Shop. In the event of rain or a very late blooming, the tour will be postponed until the afternoon of April 21

Volleyball in Vicenza

Upcoming volleyball action at the Fitness Center includes:

April 9:

6 p.m. USARAF vs. HHC 2-503rd
7 p.m. 509th SIG vs. USAG-V HHC

April 10:

6 p.m. USAHC/DENTAC vs. SHAKA
7 p.m. COMECOJOYOS vs. LEFTOVERS

April 11:

6 p.m. 1-503rd REAR D vs. USAHC/DENTAC
7 p.m. 173rd STB vs. USARAF

April 15:

6 p.m. COMECOJOYOS vs. USAG-V HHC
7 p.m. USAHC/DENTAC vs. HHC 2-503rd

April 16:

6 p.m. SHAKA vs. COMECOJOYOS
7 p.m. 509th SIG vs. 1-503rd REAR D

Towel service to end

Effective April 15, IMCOM Europe Region Fitness Centers will discontinue towel service. Please plan ahead for how this change will affect your physical fitness regime once implemented.

Softball at Camp Darby

2013 Men's and Women's Base Softball teams season runs through September. Tryouts will be announced after coaches are selected. For details, call 633-7438.

Darby Amazing Challenge

Partner up for the Darby Amazing Challenge April 27. Teams will compete in a race to decipher clues to navigate the installation. Register through April 5 at Outdoor Recreation. Call DSN 633-7439.



USAG Vicenza Softball Unit/Recreational Leagues

Whether you want to coach or you're just playing for fun, you can sign up to take part in this season's recreation Softball Leagues.

Signup is Mandatory.