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VICENZA SOCCER CHAMPS,
ROME ON A BUDGET WITH KIDS**



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USARAF's Benjamin Carpenter (left) fights for advantage in midfield against MWR-DoDDS's Ary Marcy in the second game of the Garrison Soccer Championship June 4. MWR-DoDDS lost the game 4-5, but won the championship. Carpenter was recognized as MVP of the tournament. For more, go to page 16.

Photo by Laura Kreider

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A stitch in time

Maria Jenkins (right) demonstrates knitting techniques to Pa Houa and other community members at Army Community Service June 6.

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Gene Tramm
DoDDS Europe

"My plans for the summer are a mixture of joy and sadness. I am taking my oldest son, whom I am very proud of, back to the U.S., where he will attend Florida State University."



Angela Wilson
DoDDS Europe

"I am traveling back to the States, Utah, Illinois and D.C., to visit family. There will be a lot of catching up, sleeping and shopping involved."



Kathryn Thomas
DoDDS Europe

"I will vacation in Bamberg, Germany, then cycle the Italian Alps and Sicily, hike Glacier National Park, and make my way to Destin Beach, Florida, where my kids and grandchild live."

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Leaving valuables in sight in vehicles invites thieves

By Robert Szostek

USAREUR OPM

Satellite navigation devices are the most popular items stolen from vehicles belonging to U.S. Army in Europe personnel, but laptops, tablet computers, phones, backpacks and military clothing are also regularly stolen from cars and vans.



"The main problem is that Soldiers and civilians leave property

in plain view inside their vehicles," said Joseph Day, law enforcement chief at the USAREUR Office of the Provost Marshal.

Unlocked vehicles are another invitation to thieves, he said.

"It is not only important to lock your vehicle when it is unattended, but also the law in many countries in Europe," Day said. A locked vehicle alone is no deterrent, he warned. If thieves see something valuable in plain sight inside, they will smash a window or cut open a canvas top to grab it.

"It is best to never leave anything valuable in a car, even if you leave it on post. Crooks know all the hiding places for electronic devices," he said.

If you must leave something in a car, the trunk is the safest place, according to Day. People who travel by car in Europe this vacation season can reduce their chances of becoming victims of crime by following these tips:

- * Never leave valuable documents such as passports or ID cards in a vehicle; those should always stay in your possession.
- * Maps and guidebooks on the dashboard show that you're a tourist; keep them in the glove box.
- * Stay away from cars driving erratically and never pick up hitchhikers.
- * Be wary if someone indicates there is something wrong on the driver's side of the vehicle. While you are distracted, a thief can open a door or reach through a window and steal items on the passenger seat.
- * Always lock your car while driving, getting gas, at rest stops and when parked.
- * When spending the night away from home, take valuables into your lodging with you.
- * Report thefts to military and local police regardless of the country you are in. You may need a police report to file an insurance report as well.



Photo by Joyce Costello

It's Field Day in Vicenza

See pages 12-13 for Field Day at Vicenza Elementary School.

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IMCOM Europe uncases colors in Sembach

By IMCOM Europe PAO

SEMBACH, Germany - The U.S. Army Installation Management Command Europe officially transferred from Heidelberg to Sembach, Germany, during an uncasing of the unit colors at its new headquarters on Sembach Kaserne June 6.

The IMCOM Europe move is part of the U.S. Army's transformation in Europe, which will include the closing of U.S. Army facilities in Heidelberg.

"IMCOM Europe is preparing for the future today by consolidating, divesting and investing here in Europe," said Kathleen Y. Marin, director of IMCOM Europe. "IMCOM Europe's move to Sembach is part of that process.

"We are rapidly consolidating Cold War era installations into hubs of excellence, one of which is here in U.S. Army Garrison Kaiserslautern. Consolidation not only decreases the space between us, it decreases our costs and our footprint, and increases convenience for our stakeholders.

"We are also answering the call to fiscal discipline and smart governance by divesting ourselves of installations, facilities and services that have served their purpose. While some may see this as the decline of IMCOM Europe's presence, we know this is a necessary and prudent optimization of capability.

"While our footprint decreases, our commitment to mission support and world class customer service remains, and is strengthened. But sustaining capability now and in the future will also require investment in order to support USAREUR well into the 21st century.

"Energy efficient housing, biomass and solar energy production, consolidated facilities and key renovations will set the foundation for a more efficient and effective presence alongside our European allies for the next generation," she said.

Equipment and facilities do not make a great Army, said Marin. "People are the strength of our Army," she said, quoting Army Chief of Staff, Gen. Raymond T. Odierno.

"People like the Soldiers joining us here today. People like the spouses that make their service possible. People like our host nation partners, who understand that freedom takes cooperation and sacrifice. People are the strength of our Army, and IMCOM Europe's strength is in sustaining people.

"We are the light that comes on to wake a child for their first day of school. We are the warmth surrounding a Soldier in her barracks room after a winter field rotation. We are the smiling face greeting you at the gate and keeping you safe. We are the letter in the mailbox letting your child know they were accepted to college. We are all these things and much more.

"We are IMCOM Europe, and we are the Army's home in Europe," she said.

IMCOM Europe was originally activated as Installation



Photos by G. Patrick Harris

Installation Management Command Europe Director Kathleen Y. Marin (top) delivers remarks at an uncasing of the colors ceremony at Sembach Kaserne, Germany, June 6, marking the relocation of IMCOM Europe Headquarters from Heidelberg. The move is part of the ongoing U.S. Army transformation in Europe, she said. Marin and Command Sgt. Maj. Jeffrey S. Hartless (above) uncase the region's colors at the ceremony.

Management Agency Europe Oct. 7, 2002, in Heidelberg. IMCOM Europe oversees all facets of U.S. Army installation support in Germany, Italy, Belgium and the Netherlands, including environmental programs, construction, family, morale, welfare and recreation, family care, force protection, logistics and public works, as well as the planning, programming and budget matters that provide the resources for these functions.

Tax Center banks on ace volunteer

By Julie M. Lucas

USAG Vicenza PAO

Benjamin Franklin once wrote, "In this world nothing is certain but death and taxes." For those in the Vicenza Military Community, a free tax service has been offered since January to address at least one of these certainties.

When Rick Trevino's wife, Maj. Wendy Grady, accepted a position at the U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza, it turned out to be the VMC's gain. Trevino, who had worked previously for a year at H&R Block filing tax returns, decided to volunteer at the Vicenza Tax Center to keep his skills up.

He was briefly hired to work at the Tax Center, but the funding fell short. Nonetheless, Trevino continued to assist tax filers. He estimated that in his time at the center he assisted around 200 people while working 40 hours a week.

Others working in the center included Soldiers who were selected for the additional training. By the end



Rick Trevino

of May, around 2,350 tax returns had been filed through the Tax Center, saving the VMC \$392,500 in tax fees and distributing refunds to the community totaling \$4.5 million.

Anita Fitch, chief of Judge Advocate General Client Services, said Trevino was indispensable to the mission at

the Tax Center.

"Rick is always ready to assist and has been essential to helping us in the Tax Center and even in Legal Assistance," she said.

Trevino is currently pursuing a degree in accounting with the University of Phoenix. He offered a tip for people to keep in mind for the next tax season.

"Stay organized: that is the number one problem we see. People have to go digging for financial records and it slows down the process," Trevino said.

Those who deployed in the past year and owe taxes have until June 17 to file without penalty. If you are owed a refund, you have three years to file. While the Tax Center will close June 17, Trevino will remain "on call" and available by appointment to continue to assist the community.

Tax Center hours are Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. but closed for lunch from noon to 1 p.m. Call 0444-71-7041/7316 with questions or to make an appointment.

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Army aligning more units with regional combatant commands



Photo by Capt. Brad Copas

Sgt. Sonia Hernandez (center) reviews Togolese Defense Force soldier calculations during a practical vehicle balance exercise in Lome, Togo, last month. Hernandez and Capt. Aaron Shramek, 299th Brigade Support Battalion, Fort Riley, Kan., were in Togo with U.S. Army Africa personnel to provide African Deployment Partnership Training to Togolese personnel.

By C. Todd Lopez

Army News Service

WASHINGTON – Brig. Gen. Kimberly C. Field, Army G-3/5/7, provided an update on the Army's Regionally Aligned Forces, or RAF, concept during a media roundtable at the Pentagon May 30.

Globally and across the total force, the Army could engage in nearly 6,000 different activities in more than 160 countries, involving as many as 60,000 Soldiers and Army civilians as part of its RAF concept in fiscal year 2013, she said.

The RAF concept matches specially trained CONUS-based forces to combatant commanders, known as



Photo by Capt. Brad Copas

An interpreter (left) translates for Togo Defense Force Lt. Col. Katanga N'Dayome Nakoura during training in Lome, Togo, last month. Soldiers of 299th Brigade Support Battalion, Fort Riley, Kan., provided African Deployment Partnership Training to 29 Togolese Defense Force personnel.

COCOMs, worldwide. Those forces might travel short-term to overseas locations, to help COCOMs in such missions as partnership building or training activities.

RAF-supported COCOMs in fiscal year 2013 include U.S. Africa Command with 4,500 Soldiers aligned; U.S. Northern Command with 1,100 Soldiers; U.S. Pacific Command with 7,300 Soldiers; U.S. European Command with 14,500 Soldiers; and U.S. Central Command with 8,700 Soldiers aligned. An additional 20,000 Soldiers are aligned to units that didn't specify a region.

As the Army draws down from the Middle East and Afghanistan, it will likely increase its efforts with RAF, Field said.

"We are working hard to respond to the increasing complexity of the global security environment," she said. "By

deliberately aligning forces regionally, the Army meets the enduring needs of COCOMs in a way that ensures responsiveness, consistent availability and a higher level of training and expertise."

In April, the Army provided regionally aligned forces to U.S. Africa Command to support the East Africa Response Force there. Stationed in Djibouti, 129 members of the 2nd Brigade, 1st Infantry Division, are now supporting efforts in response to the Benghazi attack, Field said.

"It really was a directive from the Secretary of Defense to look forward, look at these areas that might have a Benghazi-like situation that could happen again, and to pre-position forces to do that," Field said.

"They arrived in April. They train and they stay ready to be able to respond to these crises," she said.

In total, nearly 4,500 forces are aligned with USAFRICOM, and in fiscal year 2013 will participate in more than 660 activities in 34 countries. While those forces are aligned, they are CONUS-based until they are needed.

Field said RAFs in Africa have already been involved, for instance, in providing training support to the African-led International Support Mission to Mali. They have also provided support to Niger.

"We've deployed trainers to Niger, and are working with the Department of State, and we did that on fairly short notice," she said. "And then there are the smaller things. There are 37 smaller familiarization exercises, one of which, an example, is training Ugandan military police for route security. There are a range of activities."

The Army is also discussing with the Department of State the idea of providing training support for the United Nations Mission in Darfur.

Better prepared, culturally aware

Field said the goal of RAF is to provide better support to COCOMs by providing them with forces prepared with cultural and language capabilities that match up with a commander's particular region of the world.

While the Army is looking in the future to "habitually align" both division and corps-level headquarters with particular COCOMs, Soldiers themselves will likely pass through several units during their Army careers, each unit aligned to a different COCOM.

Field dismissed the idea that the cultural and language training provided to a Soldier when he is aligned with one unit will be wasted when he moves on to another unit. Simply participating in that type of preparation is a payoff for the Army, she said.

"We will give Soldiers who are aligned for that year some culture, some language, some expertise; then we are letting it go," she said. "We think the biggest benefit in RAF - to the cultural and language aspect of this - is that you now have a force that is much more culturally savvy, that can get on the ground in a foreign environment and quickly get situational awareness, situational understanding, a better understanding of the problem they have to solve, and then come up with solutions."



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Field Day at Vicenza Elementary School





Cougar Cubs have a ball at Field Day, May 30-31 at the Villaggio school sport field, letting out their energy and emotion as the school year drew to a close.

**Photos by
Joyce Costello**

Challenge 'the Shirt' if you dare, beat him if you can

By Amy Drummond
Special to The Outlook

Air Force "First Shirt," Senior Master Sgt. Michael Lindstrom, challenged the Darby Military Community and all his Airmen to a Marine Combat Fitness Challenge June 7 at the DMC sports fields.

To beat the First Shirt, participants had to complete the Marine Combat Fitness Test with a score above 219.

There are three parts to the test: Movement to Contact, Ammo Can Lift and Maneuver Under Fire. Civilians, Airmen, Soldiers and Italian nationals all competed in the strenuous challenge.

'Chutes and Utes'

Competitors who wanted the full experience and a chance for prizes were required to compete in "Boots and Utes," otherwise known as full Airman Battle Uniform, or equivalent, including the boots.

Twenty-four competitors out of almost an entire squadron completed the full "Boots and Utes" challenge. Two participants, Nikolaus Sauer and Aaron Valdez, achieved a perfect score of 300 on the test.

In addition, one civilian, Jane Spencer, and one Italian employee, Christian Chelossi, completed the entire challenge and received honorable mention.

Lt. Col. Mark Gray represented the Army in the challenge.



DMC honors five ISF grads

By Amy Drummond
and Chiara Mattiolo

Darby Military Community PAO



Photo by Amy Drummond

Darby Military Community celebrated the graduation of five high school students during a ceremony May 31 at the Darby Community Club. Natsuki Wittmer, Evan Edgell, Marcus Davis, Nolan Walker and Cassandra Spitzer graduated from the prestigious International School of Florence May 24. Wittmer was honored as the salutatorian of the class of 2013. Four of the five graduates attended the DCC ceremony, where they were presented with certificate of achievement from the DMC deputy garrison manager Larry Kilgore. Wittmer said she had no idea she would be selected as the class salutatorian.

"It was a very pleasant surprise to be chosen as salutatorian. I knew I had good grades, but some grades were slipping a little," she said. "I studied so much to get salutatorian, but just like any other kid I procrastinate. According to the principal I was the top student in biology, and that makes me feel good about how hard I worked at school."

The salutatorian is traditionally the second highest ranking graduate of the class behind the valedictorian, and is the first speaker to address the assembly. The recognition is based on the student's grade point average and the number of credits taken.

Wittmer said attending the International School of Florence was an educational challenge for her and other students, with additional demands not usually encountered in American schools. "It was so much work. The first month, month and a half, there was so much homework compared to what I was used to. The commute was long and I was getting less sleep," Wittmer said.

Despite the challenges, Wittmer and her fellow graduates agreed that it will have better prepared them for college. "I think going to school in Florence will help a lot with my future studies at big schools. It taught me how to self-study, and that teachers will not teach everything you need to know for a class," she said. Wittmer will attend the University of California, Berkeley, where she will major in her favorite subject, biology.

Speak Out

What are you planning on doing this summer?



Dawn Going
DoDDS Europe

"I will be back home in Florida, visiting my family while waiting for the birth of my third granddaughter."



Julia McDonough
DoDDS Europe

"I plan to spend each and every second with my family I don't get to see during the school year."



Rob Loyd
DoDDS Europe

"I am heading back to the States to see family and friends, trying to do possibly nothing before I move to my next duty station in Okinawa."

MWR-DoDDS unit inch out victory in garrison soccer championship

Story and photos by Laura Kreider

USAG Vicenza PAO

After a series of stormy evenings, the final games of the USAG Vicenza garrison soccer championship took place on a very pleasant early summer evening at the soccer field June 4.

The three participating teams included a joint MWR-DoDDS unit, a U.S. Army Africa squad and 173rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Airborne) crew of Sky Soldiers.

Play went back and forth with each group winning and losing. Since each team won and lost one game, the winner was determined by the the accumulation of each team's goal total number of goals.

At the final tally, the MWR-DoDDS squad finished first with a high score of nine goals, taking the championship and bragging rights. The USARAF team took second place, scoring eight goals, and the Sky Soldiers finished third with seven goals.

"The MWR-DoDDS team was mostly composed of civilian employees and some dependents over 18," said Julio González, Vicenza Middle School principal and coach of the winning team.

Support and cohesion

"We were able to reach this accomplishment by overall team support and cohesiveness. Some of our players are currently playing for our post soccer squad that participates in local leagues such as the Sunday League in Padova and the upcoming Alpini soccer tournament in the summer," he said.

Coach Jason Scalzitti said he was very satisfied with the performance of the second-place USARAF players.

"The USARAF team performed exceptionally well in their two matches," he said. "This team is well-round-



MWR-DoDDS fielder Ary Marcy (top, right) dribbles past USARAF's Jason Gray during the second game of the garrison soccer championship June 4. Kyle Marshall (right, foreground) and Allen Pepper (rear) of USARAF cheer after scoring a goal.

ed, with outstanding goalkeeping, staunch defense and a potent attack that starts on the wings underneath our No. 1 striker, Ben Carpenter."

Carpenter received the tournament Most Valuable Player award in recognition of his outstanding play.

Scalzitti said their opponents were really competitive, exhibiting "two different styles that tested our ability to adapt. The MWR-DoDDS team was a little fatigued after their victory in the first game, and they forced us to defend on the wings and control the middle of the field from end to end a little more.

"The 173rd came at us in the second game differently, making us defend hard down the middle and look for breakaways. We adapted really well, considering we had two of our strongest defenders sidelined early in the tournament," he said.

Some players on the USARAF team also participate in the local leagues as members of the Vicenza community, or "post team," he said.

"The USARAF unit-level team will definitely be around when the next Ederle league begins, and our experience from this tournament will only make us stronger," said Scalzitti.



USARAF player and coach Jason Scalzitti prepares to pass against MWR-DoDDS in garrison championship play June 4 on Caserma Ederle. USARAF won the game 5-4, but MWR-DoDDS took the championship based on total points scored in two days of play.

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June 14 - Califfo de Luxe

June 15 - Rumatera

June 16 - Ska-j

June 17 - Montefiori Cocktail in Piazza Marconi

June 18 - Magical Mystery Band in Piazza Torino

June 19 - Slick Steve & the Gangsters in Piazza Brescia

June 20 - La Ghenga fuoriposto in Piazzetta Casabianca

June 21 - Quintorigo in Piazza Aurora

June 22 - Jesolo Buskers in Piazza Milano, Piazza Carducci and Piazza Nember

June 23 - Rezophonics Festival at the Lighthouse beach area

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Fiaccolata di Solferino 2013

The Italian Red Cross has invited national Red Cross societies around the world to join in Fiaccolata di Solferino, a celebration of the ideals of the Red Cross, and to participate in a 7-kilometer torchlight walk June 22 between the towns of Castiglione and Solferino. The event commemorates historical events that led to the birth of the Geneva Conventions and the establishment of the International Red Cross. The participation fee is €5 per person. A bus will leave from Caserma Ederle at 2 p.m. for Red Cross volunteers and their families and, space permitting, other community participants. T-shirts will be on for sale for \$15. To sign up, stop by the Red Cross office in Building 333 by June 13. Call the Red Cross at 634-7089 or 0444-71-7089 or email vicenza@redcross.org for information.

Leonardo's Incredible Machines

Exhibit in Genova at the Museum of Sant'Agostino in Piazza Sarzano through June 30. On display will be interactive machines reproduced from drawings and sketches in Leonardo's codices. The exhibit is in the 13th-century Augustinian monastery, which also contains sculptures, detached Italian and Ligurian frescoes, and stone

relics from 10th to 18th century.

The exhibit is open Tuesday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; closed on Monday. Tickets cost €7, reduced tickets €6, free for children up to 5.

Information is online at www.museidigenova.it

Manet ~ Return to Venice

A major exhibit in Venice, Palazzo Ducale in Piazza San Marco through Aug. 18. The exhibit focuses on Edouard Manet, considered the great forerunner of Impressionism and a pioneer of the modern era in Western painting. The Fondazione Musei Civici di Venezia hosts the exhibit of 80 paintings, drawings and prints in the monumental rooms of the Doge's Palace.

The exhibit is a collaboration with the Musée D'Orsay, Paris, which owns the largest number of Manet masterpieces in the world. Nine sections examine Manet's art in various contexts, among them the influence of Venice and the Italian Renaissance on his work.

Open Sunday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tickets are €13; €11 for children under 15, students 15-25, and others over 65; children up to 5 may enter for free. Audio guide costs €5 (adults) and €4 (children). Call 041-852-0154 and visit www.mostramanet.it for information and tickets.

Event listings are as reported at press time. Details are subject to change without notice. Check before you go.



Musical genius Mark Knopler and his band will perform July 12 in Piazzola sul Brenta. See next page for concert listings and details on where to get tickets.

TUSCANY

La Luminara - Pisa Illumination

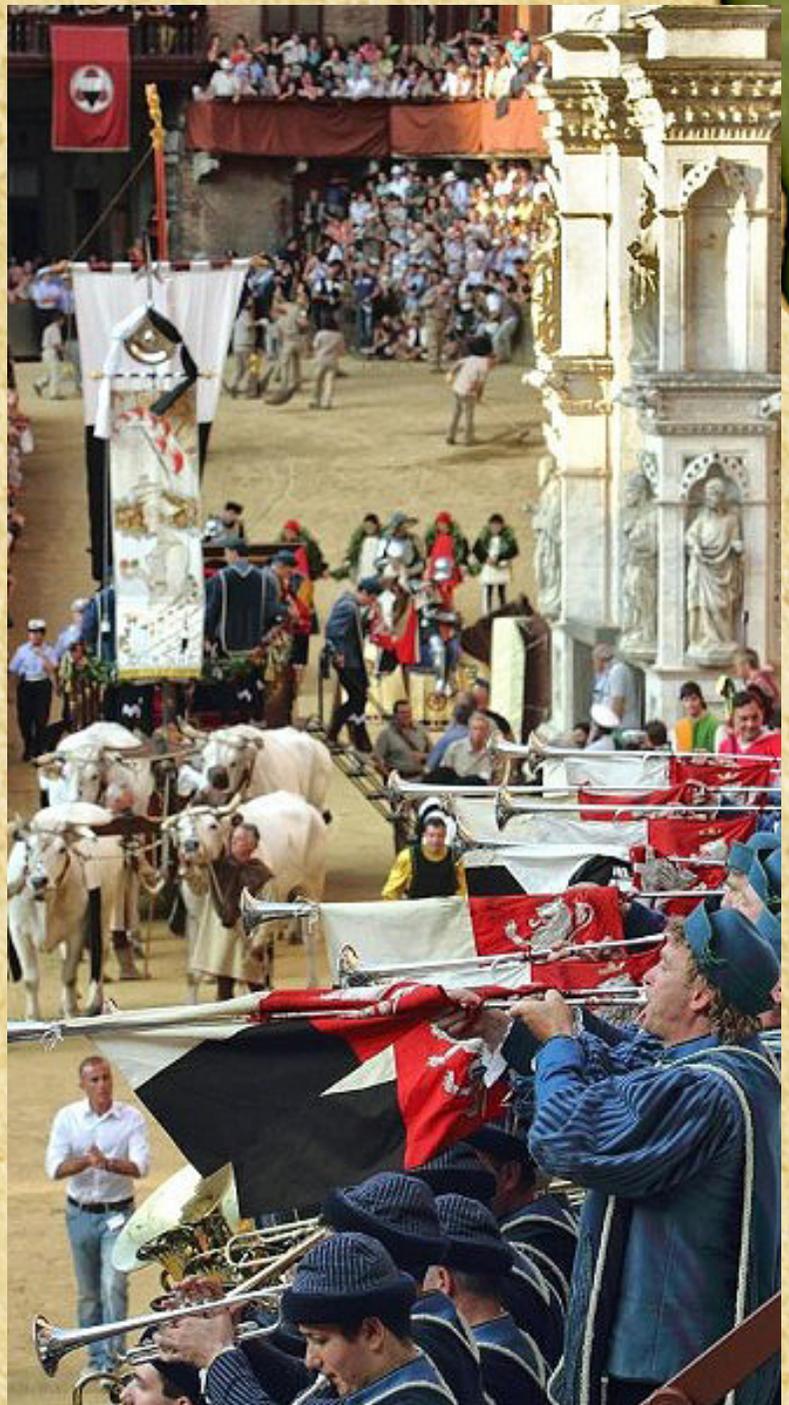
June 16 in Pisa. The Duomo, the Leaning Tower and every building along the Arno River will be decked with more than 70,000 candles. Flickering yellow flames will light up each doorway and window ledge, their reflections floating along the Arno so vibrantly it becomes clear why this night is called "La Luminara" — Italian for "The Illumination." Streets along the Arno will be closed to cars, allowing pedestrians to walk along the river, where vendors sell food, sweets and trinkets for kids. Later in the evening there will be a spectacular fireworks show, marking an impressive finale to this truly unique celebration. This trip fills up quickly; register now with Outdoor Recreation at 633-7589/7775.

Gioco del Ponte

Gioco del Ponte is a historical event held in Pisa every June 29 from 7-11 p.m. and is divided into two distinct phases: an historical procession along the Arno River, a sort of grand military parade with as many as 709 participants, and the battle, which takes place on the Ponte di Mezzo, where neighborhood teams belonging to the two rival factions in the city (the *Tramontana* and *Mezzogiorno*) demonstrate their physical power. The Ponte di Mezzo is set up in advance with a machine like a shopping cart on rails to be pushed by the combatants; whichever team pushes the cart to the opposite end of the sliding rail is declared the winner. For information visit www.giugnopisano.com

Palio di Siena

The Palio of Siena is an living tradition of the city linked to the life of the Sienese over time and in its various aspects and feelings, and still bears the marks of rules established in 1644, the year in which the first race with horses was held. This year's first Palio will be held July 2 beginning at 7:45 p.m. in the beautiful Piazza del Campo; it will also be held Aug. 16. The city is divided



Courtesy photo

into 17 quarters, the boundaries of which date back to 1729, which compete against one another for victory. The Palio is a colorful, historical event full of pageantry, not to be missed. For information go to <http://www.comune.siena.it>



CONCERTS

Toto: June 22 in Padova, Gran Teatro Geox

Zucchero: June 28 in Padova, PalaFabris

Bon Jovi: June 29 in Milan

Santana: July 5, Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova)

Leonard Cohen: July 7 in Rome; July 9 in Lucca

John Legend: July 8 in Perugia; July 9 in Milan

Bruce Springsteen & the E Street Band: July 11 in Rome

Mark Knopfler: July 12, Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova)

Lorenzo Jovannotti: July 13 in Padova; July 20 in Cagliari

Mars: July 14, Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova) Hydrogen Festival

Tickets are available in Vicenza at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center, or online at <http://www.ticketone.it/EN/> or <http://www.zedlive.com> or www.fastickets.it



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**INDEPENDENCE DAY
2013**

Independence Day Celebration

Come and celebrate our nation with food, fun, fireworks and friends on Wednesday, July 3 on the Ederle Track & Field, 4 p.m.-Midnight. Fireworks will begin at 10:30 p.m.

Road closures are necessary to prepare for this event. Vehicles will be towed at the owners expense.

- Jun 28-Jul 5, No Name Street and front Ederle Inn parking lot closed beginning at midnight
- June 30-Jul 5, Gate 5 to No Name Street and Health Center parking lot closed beginning at midnight
- Ederle Inn guests should use rear Ederle Inn parking lot
- Parents using child care in Bldg 398 should use parking area behind Arts and Crafts center

Music Café at Soldiers' Theatre

Music Café nights are casual Improv jam nights for music lovers by music lovers. Show off your musical talent or just come by and enjoy the performance on June 14, 7:30-10:30 p.m. at the Soldiers' Theatre.

ODR Trips

- June 27, Italian Culture-Cappuccino
 - June 29, St. Moritz Express
 - July 6, Cinque Terre Discovery Tour
 - July 18, Intro to Climbing at Del Din
- Complete list and trip info on www.vicenza.armyMWR.com

Sesame Street comes to Ederle

Sesame Street and the USO are bringing the furry, fuzzy and friendly Muppets to Ederle on July 1 at the Ederle Fitness Center Basketball Court with two shows, 4 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.



Spouse Sponsorship Training

The transition to a new location is much smoother if you know what to expect. If you are a Vicenza spouse looking to help other spouses in arrival, we want you! Register for the next class at 634-8526/8525.

Kids Summer Bowl Special

Come to the Arena! Everyday Jun 14 –Sep 1, kids can bowl for \$1 per game including shoes. Special not available during Cosmic Bowling. For more information visit our website.

Register using MWR Online Services for:

Vicenza Trip & Vicenza CYSS

Classes

Activities

Vicenza Facebook Page





Darby Military Community



CYSS Family Walk Club

Walking is fun and healthy for the entire Family. Enjoy introductory local walks with information good nutrition and hydration practices.

Walk Dates:

- June 17, 4 p.m. | Camp Darby, Bldg. 730
- June 24, 4 p.m. | Camp Darby, Bldg 730
- July 1, 4 p.m. | Tirrenia or Marina di Pisa
- July 8, 4 p.m. | Tirrenia or Calambrone

Beach Volleyball Registration

What could be more fun than volleyball at the beach? Register by Jun 21 for the Intramural 4-person league. Contact 633-7438.

Treat Dad to a Massage

Looking for a special gift to show dad how much you care? The Darby Fitness Center is offering a \$5 discount on any one hour massage during the entire month of June.

CYSS Tennis Registration

Tennis anyone? Perfect your child's tennis skills and register by June 18 for summer lessons for youth ages 8-18 years. For more info, contact CYSS Sports & Fitness, 633-7521.

ODR Trips

- June 15, Florence
- June 16, Pisa Illumination
- June 17, Pisa & Lucca
- June 18, Venice
- June 19, Cinque Terre
- June 20, Rome
- June 21, Elba

Complete list and trip info on www.vicenza.armyMWR.com

CYSS Flag Football Clinic

Register your youth now for the week-long Flag Football Clinic scheduled for July 8-12. This is a free class for youth ages 5-18 years. Coaches are needed for this camp. Coaches clinics will be held on June 26 & 29. For more information about the clinic, call 633-7521.



4th of July at the American Beach

Celebrate the 4th of July at the American Beach from 9 a.m.-midnight and enjoy programmed children's games, a pay as you go BBQ in the evening, DJ music & dancing under the pavilion and new this year, a light & water show! For more info, visit our website.

Register using MWR Online Services for:

Darby Trip & Classes

Darby CYSS Activities



Darby Facebook Page

Visit the VMC community calendar for the latest event details and updates at www.usag.vicenza.army.mil

Army Birthday

The Vicenza Military Community will commemorate 238 years of the Army's selfless service to the United States of America with a cake cutting June 13 at noon at the South of the Alps DFAC. An Army Campaign Streamer ceremony will take place at 2 p.m. at the Soldiers' Theatre.

USAHC training holiday hours

The U.S. Army Health Center will be open from 8 a.m. to noon on Friday June 14 and Monday June 17.

- * For emergencies or to call an ambulance, dial 118 (99-118 from post)
- * For the 24-hour Nurse Advice Line, call 800-877-660
- * To reach the San Bortolo patient liaisons, call 0444-75-3300 or 634-8384
- * To make an appointment, call 0444-61-9000

Mosquito spraying on Villaggio

Mosquito spraying with ULV fogger is scheduled for the Villaggio Housing Area June 19 from 7-9 p.m., weather permitting. Residents are advised to not walk the streets during spraying and for an hour after. In case of rain, spraying will take place the following day. Call 634-8888 for details.

Estate claims

Anyone having any claims on or obligations to the estate of Spc. Jeffrey K. Davis of Company A, 2-503rd Infantry, 173rd IBCT (A), should contact the summary court martial officer, 1st Lt. Terence McElroy, at 634-6229 or via email at terence.j.mcelroy.mil@mail.mil.

Soldiers' Theatre

* **The Music Café** returns June 14 at 7:30 p.m. Come, relax and enjoy local musicians or get up on stage and show them what you've got. Easygoing atmosphere, free of charge.



Photo by Laura Kreider

Lights, action, music

The Music Café returns to Soldiers' Theatre Friday starting at 7:30 p.m. Stop by to play or listen to a range of musical styles performed by community musicians in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Call 634-7281 for details.

* **Guitar, piano, flute and voice** lessons are available for all levels. Stop by the theater for details or call 634-7281 or 0444-71-7281.

Fill out Health Center surveys

U.S. Army Health Care Center Vicenza asks all visitors to take the time to fill out an Army Provider Level Satisfaction Survey (APLSS) after seeing a health care provider. Why fill it out? First of all, the USAHC-Vicenza staff care about patient feedback. Secondly, patient responses are reviewed and analyzed to evaluate community needs. Thirdly, returned surveys are tallied and result in additional

funding to the Health Center, which results in more and better services to the community. Be sure to complete your APLSS next time you see a health provider.

Pick up student medications

If your child takes medication at school, it must be picked up by 11 a.m. on Friday June 14. After that time the medication will be given to the U.S. Army Health Center to be destroyed. Parents must pick up their student's medication unless the child's doctor permits the student to carry it. If you have questions, call Vicenza Middle School nurse Kathy Thomas at 634-5710.

Caserma Del Din dialing prefixes

Commercial dialing prefixes for Caserma Del Din differ from those for Caserma Ederle.

The DSN prefix for organizations on Caserma Del Din is 637, but unlike the commercial dialing prefix (0444-71-XXXX) for Caserma Ederle and other Vicenza locations, commercial prefixes for Caserma Del Din cannot be standardized. Commercial prefixes vary and are based on the fourth digit of the DSN number.

*** If the DSN number is 637-1XXX, 637-2XXX or 637-4XXX**, the commercial prefix will be 0444-66-XXXX.
*** If the DSN number is 637-7XXX or 637-8XXX**, the commercial prefix will be 0444-61-XXXX.

Direct questions or issues to 509th

Signal Battalion at 637-2220 or (0444-61-2220).

DoDDS schools furlough dates

As of today, planned government furloughs will result in Vicenza community schools closing on the following dates as the 2013-2014 school year starts: **Friday, Aug. 30; Monday, Sept. 9; Monday, Sept. 16; Monday, Sept. 23; and Monday, Sept. 30.**

Del Din postal service

The Del Din Postal Service Center is open for business Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Stop by to mail parcels and letters. Call 634-7430 to reach postal operations supervisors.

Planned AESD outage

The Army Enterprise Service Desk (AESD) system for assisting customers is expected to be restored to full service by 9:30 p.m. June 14 (3:30 p.m. EST). For telephone help until then, call 866-335-2769.

Mako Sharks seek coaches

The Vicenza Mako Sharks swim team

is looking for coaches. Do you have coaching or swim team experience? Do you love to work with children ages 6 and up? The Mako Sharks need you. Email vicenzamakosharks@gmail.com for details.

Upcoming F2F events

June 14: Aperitivi Friday, practice Italian etiquette while enjoying a cocktail downtown from 6:30 to 8:15 p.m. Cost is €10. Call 634-8828 or RSVP to f2frsvp@gmail.com.

June 27: Breaking the Glass Ceiling, at the Golden Lion, 4-6 p.m. Explore awesome Army career opportunities. Call 634-7401 for details.

July 11: Ride to Recovery, ODR bike trip honoring wounded vets, register with Outdoor Recreation.

July 16: Art Therapy with Michelle at the Arts & Crafts Center.

July 25: Building Life Skills, at the Golden Lion, 4-6 p.m.

July 27: Building Life Skills, Part 2: Zip Lining, register with ODR.

All are welcome, however single Soldiers have priority for events with limited space.

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At the movies



After Earth

A crash landing leaves Kitai Raige (Jaden Smith) and his father Cypher (Will Smith) stranded on Earth, a millennium after events forced humanity's escape. With Cypher injured, Kitai must embark on a perilous journey to signal for help. Also stars Sophie Okonedo and Zoe Kravitz.

Ederle Theater

June 13	7 p.m.	The Host (PG-13)
June 14	7 p.m.	After Earth (PG-13) *
	10 p.m.	The Internship (PG-13) *
June 15	3 p.m.	After Earth (PG-13) *
	6 p.m.	Fast and Furious 6 (PG-13) *
June 16	3 p.m.	Jurassic Park 3D (PG)
	6 p.m.	After Earth (PG-13) *
June 19	7 p.m.	The Internship (PG-13) *
June 20	7 p.m.	Evil Dead (R)
June 21	7 p.m.	Man of Steel 3D (PG-13)
	10 p.m.	This is the End (R) *
June 22	3 p.m.	Man of Steel 3D (PG-13)
	6 p.m.	Man of Steel 3D (PG-13)
June 23	3 p.m.	The Croods 3D (PG)-
	6 p.m.	This is the End (R) *

The Camp Darby Theater has closed

Admission: 3D, adult, \$7.50, under 12, \$4.50; * 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>

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

Tuesday

9 a.m.: Protestant Women of the Chapel

5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice

Wednesday

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

Thursday

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

5:30 p.m.: Gospel choir rehearsal

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

Catholic and married outside the Church?

Catholics who married in a different Protestant church or in the town halls by a justice of the peace, are not married in the eyes of the Catholic Church. In order to regain privileges associated with the Church, such marriages must be convalidated in the Catholic Church. If it is the first marriage for both parties, the convalidation process is simple. For more information contact Fr. Dynek.

VMC faith group contacts

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 vicenzaitalychurchof-christ@gmail.com



Photo by Jean Anders

St. Mark's Catholic community children take part in the sacrament of first communion June 2 at the Caserma Ederle Chapel.

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.

Catholic Summer Children's Program

A one week Catholic Summer Program for children in preschool through sixth grade will take place

during the first week of summer vacation. It is call Growing with the Saints in Faith, Hope and Charity. Classes take place mornings, Monday through Friday. For details, contact Karla Barnes at gkbarnes77@yahoo.com or see her after Mass.

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 depending on which priest is conducting 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 DMC activities call 633-7267.

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Wednesday, July 3
4 p.m. - Midnight
on the Ederle Track & Field

Come and Enjoy
Food & Drinks
Kids Activities & Rides
Private Organization Food Booths

Live Entertainment with Special Guests
Syncage and the Dusty Saddle Boys

Fireworks Begin at 10:30 p.m.
from the Ederle Softball Field

No pets, glass, alcohol, skateboards or Heelys in the carnival area. | www.vicenza.armyMWR.com

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Rome on a budget with kids

Story and photos
by Jennifer Szarek

Special to *The Outlook*

As a family of six, including four small children, traveling can be difficult at times as well as expensive. We took our kids on a trip to Rome for four days. We did much of our research on Trip Advisor and narrowed down our top 10 places to visit. We drove down, which took roughly four and a half hours including stops. We chose to drive and use gas coupons, as it was significantly cheaper for a large family than the train or a plane.

We stayed at a place called Residence *Vigna Dei Casali*, in an apartment that sleeps six, booked through www.booking.com. It included a kitchen so we could cook at least one meal a day, mainly breakfast. When we got to Rome, we had some difficulty finding the place, which was in a gated area. We called the owner, who met us at a gas station about a quarter of a mile away.

Beautiful and secluded

As we went through the gate, we noticed how beautiful and secluded it was from the busy street outside. It had play equipment for children and a clean spacious apartment. Three nights cost us about \$100. The best way to locate it is to remember it's directly across from the *Happy Sauro* restaurant. The owner also helped us plan some of our trip by providing tips and a map, and he spoke English very well.

It turned out to be a perfect location for a family, and a great first place for the kids to unwind after the drive.

Trip Tips



The apartment was just a five-minute drive from the Metro station, where parking for the entire day cost €1.

The Metro is the best option for getting around Rome. You can pick up your unlimited Metro tickets, €4 for the day, right as you walk in. There are two lines that intersect at the main terminal, *Termini Station*, Line A (orange) and Line B (blue). Very convenient. There is a stop literally at the Colosseum (*Colosseo*) on the blue line.

We were unfamiliar with how nearby everything is in Rome, but we were able to see much more than our "Top 10" in the four days we were there. We wandered down side streets, away from the main touristy areas, to get a bite to eat. We found the places were less crowded and less expensive and all of them had air conditioning. We also had the best *gelato* in Italy at *Gelateria della Palma*, right near the Pantheon - 150 flavors of gelato at €3 a cup.

We also decided to go check out the *Happy Sauro*, a family-friendly, Flintstone-themed restaurant with a huge playground. Dinner for a family of six was €89 and we walked away stuffed.

Some tips about traveling to Rome: make sure you have bottled water and buy your Vatican and Colosseum tickets in advance online to skip the lines.

If you're hoping to be blessed by the Pope, make sure he is in town; summer days vary.

Also, never attempt to drive in the city, as it is very congested, and walking to see everything is easily doable, even with children.



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ATTENTION

Ederle Fitness Center Pool Patrons

The Ederle Fitness Center Pool will be

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June 10-21

due to maintenance requirements in the Aquatics area. During this time please visit our other Sports, Fitness & Aquatics pools:



**Villaggio Housing Area Pool
Del Din Fitness Center Pool**



We apologize for the inconvenience.

For more info call 634-8642/7876. | www.vicenza.armyMWR.com