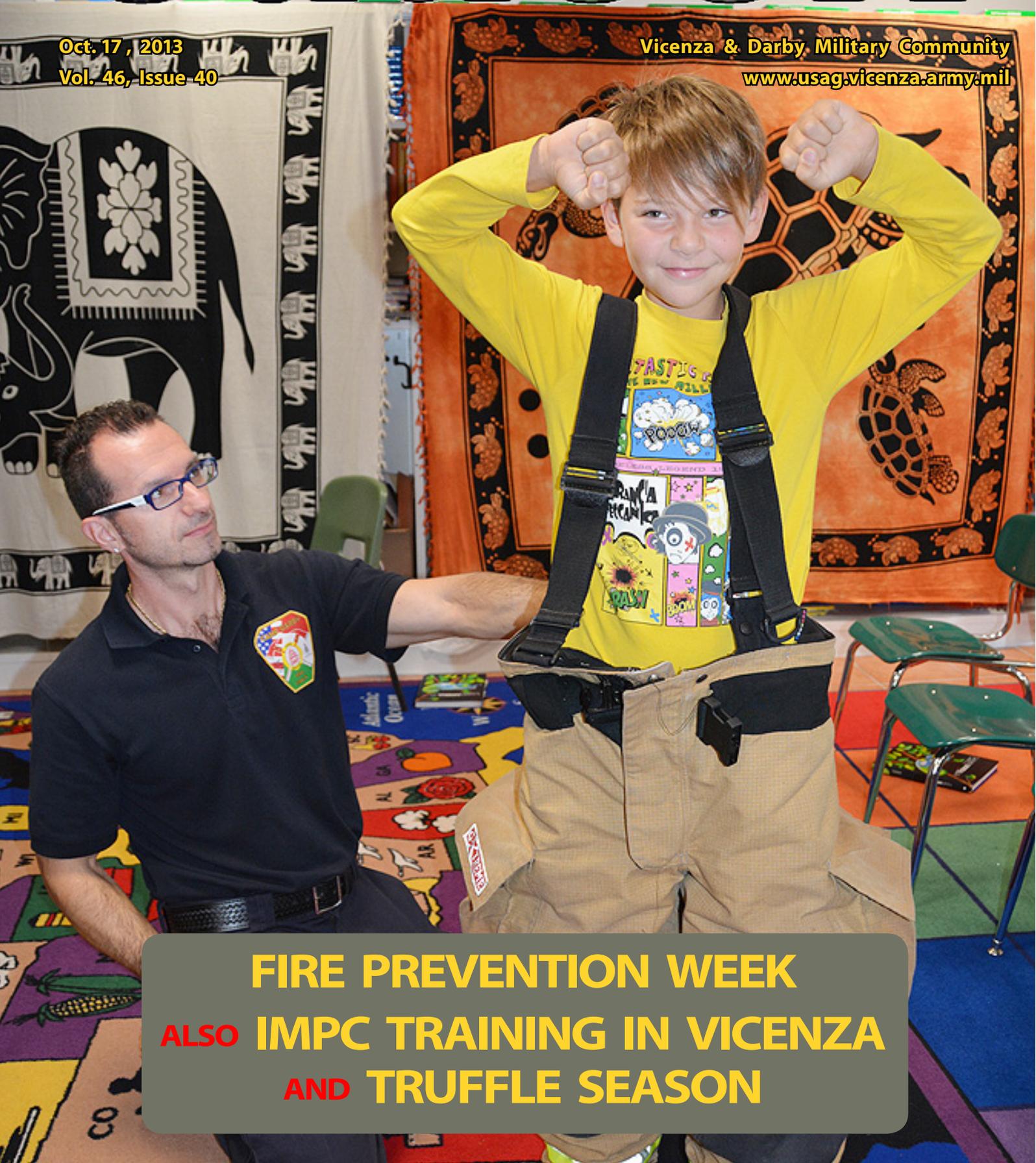


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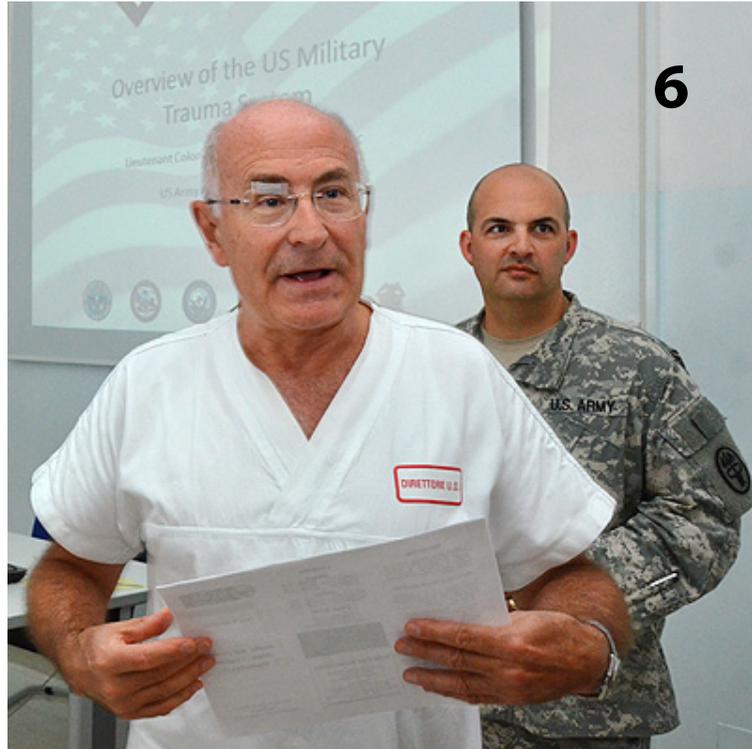
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ALSO IMPC TRAINING IN VICENZA
AND TRUFFLE SEASON



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DMC firefighter Raffaele Gabbriellini helps Livorno Unit School fourth-grader Christian Meeks suit up in fireproof clothing as part of the Fire Prevention Week outreach program Oct. 11 at Camp Darby. Find out more about the annual awareness raising program on page 9.

Photo by Chiara Mattiolo

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their own paper bag mask
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Speak Out

What is your favorite
autumn sport?



Staff Sgt. Levio Cometto
HHB, U.S. Army Africa

"I like the NFL Philadelphia Eagles. I like hanging out watching football with friends."



Sonya Day
Family member

"My favorite sport is tennis. Even if you are not the Williams sisters, you can have fun."



Alexander Young
USAG Vicenza MWR

"I think my favorite is football. It's intense, engaging and always has me at the edge of my seat."

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Conserving energy makes a difference

By USAG Vicenza DPW Environmental Division

Climate change is happening. What does it mean and why is energy conservation important? Because our Earth is warming and small changes in the average temperature of the planet can translate into large and potentially dangerous shifts in climate and weather.

The evidence is clear. Rising global temperatures have been accompanied by changes in weather and climate. Many places have seen changes in rainfall, resulting in more floods, droughts or intense rain, as well as more frequent and severe heat waves. The planet's oceans and glaciers have also experienced some big changes. As these and other changes become more pronounced in the coming decades, they will likely present challenges to our society.

Humans are largely responsible for recent climate change. Over the past century our activities have released large amounts of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases into the atmosphere. The majority of greenhouse gases come from burning fossil fuels to produce energy, although deforestation, industrial processes and some agricultural practices also emit such gases into the atmosphere. Greenhouse gases act like a blanket around



Earth, trapping energy in the atmosphere and causing it to warm. This phenomenon is called the greenhouse effect and is natural and necessary to support life on Earth. However, the buildup of greenhouse gases can change Earth's climate and result in dangerous effects on human health and welfare and to ecosystems.

The choices we make today will affect the amount of greenhouse gases we put in the atmosphere in the near future and for years to come. We can reduce the risks we will face from climate change by making choices that reduce greenhouse gas pollution. By preparing for the changes that are already under way we can reduce risks from climate change. Our decisions today will shape the world our children and grandchildren will live in.

Everyone can make a difference, so take action today. You can take steps at home, on the road and in your office to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and the risks associated with climate change. Make sure computers and monitors are turned off at the end of the work day, use natural light, keep room temperatures at required settings and do not open windows and doors, walk on post, if you have to drive to work set up carpools.

We welcome your ideas on saving energy. Call the Environmental Division at 634-8941 to let us know.



Make a Difference Day



with the Vicenza Girl Scouts and
Female 2 Female and BOSS



A post-wide clean up is scheduled for Saturday
Oct. 19 from 8 a.m.-noon.

Participants should meet at the track with comfortable
clothes and gloves.

The community is encouraged to use this day as a fall
clean up and to use the recycling center.

Filing a PCS claim

By Anita Fitch

Vicenza Claims Office, Client Services

Autumn has arrived and new members of the Vicenza Military Community are settling into the routines of daily life in their new homes. The process of establishing a home and adjusting to a new duty assignment can be stressful; additionally, while unpacking their household goods, many service members find that some of their property is missing or has been damaged during their move. Thankfully, there is a system in place to compensate service members for their damaged or missing items, and navigating this process is not as difficult as one might think.

Filing a claim is a two-step process. First, within 75 days of delivery, claimants must provide a proper "notice of loss" to their Transportation Service Provider (the TSP, also known as the carrier). This is a critical step since not taking this first step can limit or preclude recovering compensation for damaged or missing items.

The form for providing notice of loss to the TSP is very specific and is typically noted on the forms provided by the TSP at the time of delivery (DD Form 1840/1840R). Notice of loss must be completed and submitted to the TSP listed in Block 9 of the DD Form 1840 no later than the 75th day after the date of delivery.

In addition to providing notice of loss directly to the TSP, we encourage personnel to also bring their forms to the Vicenza Claim Office within 70 days of delivery. The Vicenza Claims Office will ensure that proper notice of loss was provided to the TSP and will keep a record for future reference.

Secondly, once proper notice of loss is submitted, all claimants must additionally file a claim with their TSP within nine months of delivery in order to receive Full Replacement Value. Please note that submission of a notice of loss does not constitute the filing of the claim.

If you file your claim directly with the TSP within nine months of delivery and are dissatisfied with the TSP's final offer, or if you do not receive a final offer within 30 days of filing the claim, you may transfer the exercise of your claim to the Vicenza Claims Office.

Claimants also have the option of filing a claim through their local military claims office within two years of delivery; however, reimbursement is subject to being calculated at a depreciated value.

This is only a brief summary of the personnel claims process. For detailed and particular information regarding your move and options, please visit the Vicenza Claims Office in Building 241.

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1. 2012-2013 POL coupons are valid through 30 September.
2. Maximum refund is for two month's allotment.
3. 2012-13 POL coupons will be refunded 21 September through 30 November, 2013 only.

- Price of refund will be price of purchase. If the price cannot be determined, the lowest purchase point of sale will be used.
- Coupons must be in fair condition - serial numbers and denominations must be legible.

Exception: Customers deployed during refund period. Orders must be presented in order to receive refund.

USAHC-V, Bortolo doctors discuss trauma care

Story and photo by Monica Brazzale

USAG Vicenza PAO

U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza physicians shared the medical practices, insights and skills of U.S. Army trauma patient care with medical professionals at the San Bortolo Hospital in Vicenza Sept. 19-20.

"Surely the American experience can be useful to manage patient care with the best approach as it is the dream of every emergency room physician," said Dr. Francesco Buonocore, director of health services at San Bortolo. Buonocore was addressing an audience of emergency room physicians, anesthesiologists, orthopedics, cardiologists and surgical teams who attending the classroom training.

"This was my first time presenting to Italian medical professionals," said Lt. Col. Keith Palm, deputy commander for nursing at USAHC Vicenza. "Prior to moving to Italy I spent two years as a military trauma researcher and in that role I came to understand the importance of professional exchanges of information for the improvement of patient care."

The idea of a professional exchange with the military clinic originated with San Bortolo chief of surgical departments, Dr. Franco Favretti, who wanted the Italian medical staff be trained on different approaches.

Shared first-responder duties

"The hospitals of Vicenza and Mestre (near Venice) have been designated as the two first-responder emergency centers for mass casualty incidents in the Veneto Region, so we want to improve the preparedness capacity of our hospital," Favretti said.

"As we develop safe protocols to improve organization and delivery of trauma care, we couldn't miss the extraordinary opportunity to work together with our colleagues from the Army, who have been on the frontline for years now and have matured incredible experience with trauma care," he said.

Medical professionals and their organizations are always curious to learn how others approach a common problem, Palm said.

"These kinds of professional interactions allow us to discuss similarities and differences in our system so that we can understand each other's perspective to an issue, in this case trauma care," he said.

The exchange helps identify and integrate best practices to improve patient care. The September training was the first of a series intended to develop and strengthen the partnership between the American and Italian medical teams in the Veneto, said Favretti.



Above: Lt. Col. Keith Palm of USAHC and Dr. Franco Favretti of San Bortolo Hospital exchange views during a joint trauma care session for medical professionals Sept. 20. **Below:** Staff absorb a lecture on trauma care.

MPs conclude IMPC training in Vicenza

By 464th MP Platoon

The sixth annual International Military Police Course (IMPC) at the Center of Excellence for Stability Police Units (CoESPU) Carabinieri base in Vicenza concluded with a graduation ceremony Oct. 4.

Capt. Michael Fanell and Sgt. Brian Conover of 464th MP Platoon, 95th MP Battalion, 18th MP Brigade, stationed at Caserma Ederle in Vicenza, attended the two week course, which focused on stability and joint policing operations in the context of UN and NATO environments.

Most attendees were officers and warrant officers; the majority were Carabinieri from various units across Italy, but students also came from as far afield as the United Arab Emirates, Morocco and Mozambique. U.S. Army MPs in attendance included Maj. Eric McGowen of the 785th MP Battalion, Michigan Active Guard/Reserve, and Staff Sgt. Kenita Bauerle of the 822nd MP Company, Illinois Active Guard/Reserve.

Carabinieri Lt. Col. Arrigo Gareffi, the course proctor, said, "The rapid and constant changes of the international security environment here greatly affect the international deployment. Moreover the spreading of asymmetric threats requires military police forces to enhance their techniques, tactics and procedures. CoESPU provides this course to also stress the cooperation between traditional MP and Stability Police Units and the distinction of different functions between policing the force and the police stabilization effort."

Several U.S. Army MP instructors helped conduct the IMPC. Lt. Col. Edwin Escobar, U.S. Army Africa (USARAF) provost marshal, taught a segment on the role of the provost marshal; USARAF Provost Sgt. Maj. Michael Robledo taught about MPs in Iraq; Sgt. 1st Class Ahmed rendered instruction on detainee operations and detention facilities.

Special Agents Roger Phillips and



Courtesy photo

Carabinieri in the role of a VIP PSD team wrestle a simulated handgun from a would-be assailant during scenario training on Caserma Ederle Sept. 25.

Justin Link of the Vicenza CID Office taught a class on forensics; Sgt. 1st Class John Keenan and Staff Sgts. Robert Neese and Daniel Wilker of the 100th Military Working Dog Detachment, 95th MP Battalion, led a class on K-9 operations that included demonstrations of K-9 attack, vehicle and room searches.

Fanell and Chief Warrant Officer 2 Chris Kellenberger served as instructors for the MP escort and protective services detail (PSD) class. Kellenberger also made a presentation on MP operations in the Balkans.

In one training exercise, a PSD team practiced walking a VIP through a jeering crowd toward a building entrance, when they are attacked from the rear by would-be assassins. One assailant shot a team member, but was quickly subdued and the VIP began to celebrate his survival. But too soon. While he struck a victorious pose, a second attacker shot him in the head.

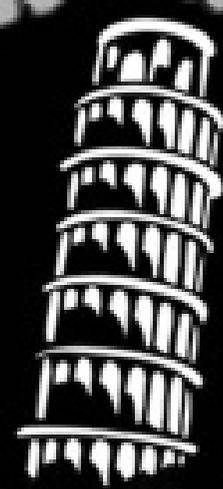
"Due to the element of surprise, all

class members realized how difficult it is to protect the VIP at every moment," said Kellenberger.

"I did many MP escort and PSD missions in Iraq," said Fanell. "I also took a two week PSD course in May with the 1st Tuscania Airborne Regiment (the Carabinieri Special Operations unit that guards high risk Italian embassies, among other missions).

"I used a lot from what I had learned there in Livorno and taught it at the IMPC. The PSD class went very well and we received a lot of good feedback. Some of these Carabinieri had trained during the summer with U.S. MPs at Caserma Ederle and Del Din," said Fanell.

"The Vicenza Military Intelligence Detachment taught an intelligence class at CoESPU last month, and CID has invited the Carabinieri to Caserma Ederle for more training on forensics. I'm happy to say that U.S. MPs and Carabinieri have been conducting police training together more often lately," he said.



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Speak Out

What is your favorite autumn sport?



Capt. Robert McCray
Judge Advocate General's Office

"American football, of course."



Col. Raffaele Iubini
Camp Darby Italian Base Commander

"The gym is my sport, just like it is all year round. Sometimes I integrate it with some running."



Andrea Campagnoli
Carabinieri

"After scuba diving in the summer, the gym is my place for the rest of the year."

Fire prevention week at Darby

Story and photo by Chiara Mattiolo

Darby Military Community PAO

Fire Prevention Week 2013 is under way Oct. 6-12 in the Darby Military Community.

The history of the Fire Prevention Week has its roots in the Great Chicago Fire, which devastated the city Oct. 9, 1871. The president of the United States has proclaimed that week, the Sunday through Saturday in which Oct. 9 falls, as National Fire Prevention Week.

This year's theme is Prevent Kitchen Fires.

"During this week, the Fire Department and Emergency Services Division, will sponsor several activities to increase awareness of fire protection" said Alfredo Ercoli, DMC assistant fire chief.

"Scheduled events include fire drills in the most populated areas, such as the schools," he said.

During their visit to the school, firefighters explained to children and staff how to react in case of fire and what to do to avoid suffocation from smoke.

"I know I should 'stop, drop and roll' if my clothes are on fire," said Nicole Meeks. "I have to cover my face while rolling to protect my face from fire and smoke."

The DMC firefighters and Fire Chief Christopher McGuire showed the children how the firefighters protect themselves with fireproof garments when responding to emergencies.

"This jacket is really heavy," said second-grader Simon Jasper while trying on the fire chief's uniform.

"Meeting the firefighters is always a special event for Camp Darby students," said Livorno Unit School nurse Julie McDonough. "They visit our children once a month and they practice fire drills with them throughout the school year."



Livorno Unit School students try on firefighter gear during a Fire Prevention Week outreach program at the school Oct. 11.

Out of the Tuscan earth

Truffle season unleashes aromatic scents of autumn in Italy

Story and photo by Amy Drummond

Special to *The Outlook*

Fall is here and so are the *tartufi*, the famous aromatic tubers of Tuscany and Italy.

Tubers you say? What are those? They are truffles, a fresh, woody smelling, earthy tasting mushroom-like delicacy.

The white truffles or *tartufo bianco* of San Miniato and other parts of Italy are among the most highly desired and most valuable on the world market.

The harvest time for the white truffle, also known as the Alba truffle, is usually from early October through December. They grow symbiotically with beech, poplar, hazel and oak trees, and can also be found in Croatia and France.

According to san-miniato.com, "Truffle collection is regulated by strict controls and a regional law that defines how they are gathered and marketed. They are gathered selectively and in moderation, and production is limited due to the brevity of their season. In fact, the value of the white truffle of San Miniato lies in its rarity."

Black truffles, also known as Périgord truffles, are also harvested from late fall through winter. They are the second most sought after truffle in the world market. There are several other varieties of truffle harvested at different times of the year, such as the black summer truffle or burgundy truffle. These varieties are generally not as aromatic or highly prized as Alba and Périgord truffles.

When truffles are not in season — and if you live in other parts of the world, such as the United States — truffles are considered a delicacy to be used on special occasions or reserved for the rich. But this time of year everyone in Italy can afford a little taste of this treasure of Italian fine cuisine and culture.

If you purchase truffles for your own use, "Store truffles for the shortest time possible because every day they lose weight and perfume, so it's in the interest of the seller (based on weight) and buyer (based on perfume) to get the truffles as soon as they've been found," according to san-miniato.com.

Small, local markets and truffle fairs are the best places to find the freshest and best priced truffle.

The first truffle fair of the season was the sixth annual **Sagra del Tartufo Bianco e del Fungo Porcino** (Festival of White Truffles and Porcini Mushrooms) in La Serra. This fair offered mushrooms of all types, truffles and related products such as truffle oil, butter, honey, pasta, sauce, salt, salami, cheese and numerous others.





Also available at the fair were local specialties such as extra virgin olive oil, wine and pecorino cheese. Special meals were offered featuring truffle dishes such as crostini al tartufo e funghi, lasagne al tartufo and uova al tartufo to name a few.

In addition to the Sagra's gourmet truffle market, competing truffle hunters and their dogs were awarded prizes and trophies based on the size and types of truffles found this season. Small festivals such as the one in La Serra offer the more adventurous tourist a true taste of Italian truffle culture.

If this first festival of the season was any indication of the ones to come, the truffle festivals this year are sure to be a delight to all the senses. Below is a list of some of the smaller local truffle fairs and the larger international fairs.

San Miniato will host several small festivals before the National Exhibition, among them:

Sagra del Tartufo Bianco e del Fungo Porcino di Balconevisi (Feast of the Truffle and Mushroom in Balconevisi) Oct. 19-20

Tartufo al Pinocchio a San Miniato Basso (Truffle Pinocchio in San Miniato Basso) Nov. 2-3

The festival season culminates in the **Mostra Mercato Nazionale del Tartufo Bianco di San Miniato** (National Exhibition of the White Truffle of San Miniato) held on three successive weekends in November — Nov. 9-10, 16-17 and 23-24 — in the historical center of San Miniato. This festival is generally recognized as the largest open-air food tasting of truffles and gourmet foods in Italy.

For more information about truffle festivals in the San Miniato suburbs, go to www.sanminiatopromozione.it For more about the National event, go to www.san-miniato.com/white_truffles_of_san_miniato.htm

The 15th Mostra Mercato Del Tartufo Bianco e Rassenna dei Prodotti Tipici (15th Exhibition of White Truffles and Review of Typical Products) will be held Oct. 26-27 and Nov. 1-3 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. This market is also known as Volterragusto, and features products for sale direct from producers, tastings, truffle hunting and entertainment. Information is available at <http://www.volterragusto.com>

If you are in the mood to travel further afield, the **Fiera Internazionale Del Tartufo Bianco D'Alba** (International White Truffle Fair of Alba) is under way on weekends through Nov. 17 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the town of Alba in northwestern Italy. For more information go to <http://www.fieradeltartufo.org>



Family and MWR

Vicenza Military Community

Halloween Festivities in Villaggio

Family and MWR Halloween festivities in Villaggio sponsored this year by Global Credit Union and American Foreign Services Protective Association.

The carnival games and activities will be held in the new Villaggio Youth Center gym 3:30-6 p.m. for children ages 12 and under. Halloween movies for middle and high school students will also be available. The Arena will sell hot dogs, sodas and water outside. Only the children of U.S. ID card holders and children of LN workers are permitted, there will be no signing on guests for this event permitted from 3-6 p.m.

The gates will open to welcome Italian guests for Trick or Treating 6-8 p.m. in Villaggio. Children must be 12 and under, in costume and accompanied by a parent. A maximum of 4 children per adult is required. For complete information about events, shuttle service and safety please visit our website.

Zombie Run & Quarantine Bash

There's a Zombie apocalypse at Del Din on October 31! Can you survive? Registration for the run begins Thurs, Oct. 31, 8 a.m. at the Del Din Fitness Center. Run begins at sunset, 5:12 p.m. For info, contact 637-2702.

After the Zombie Run, BOSS invites all 'infected' adults the Quarantine Bash at the Warrior Zone to enjoy games, prizes, specials on food and beverages and music with a DJ, 9-11 p.m. Both events are sponsored in part by Global Credit Union.



Adult Halloween Party

Enjoy a spooky night of fun at the Lion's Den on October 25, 8 p.m.-1:30 a.m. Create your funniest or scariest costume and compete in our best costume contest!

Paper Bag Masks

Kids, come on over to the library on October 30, 3:30-4:30 p.m. to create your own paper bag mask for Halloween!

Halloween Bowling

Start off Halloween with a bang for your buck! Kids in costume can enjoy a game of bowling for \$1 with free shoes on Halloween at the Arena, 3-8 p.m. Bowl to old time classic spooky videos. For more info, contact 634-8257.

ODR Trips

- Oct 24, Intro to Rock Climbing
 - Oct 26, Eurochocolate & Perugia Express
 - Nov 2, Gardaland Magic Halloween
- Complete list and trip info on www.vicenza.armyMWR.com

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Darby Military Community



Halloween Fest

Halloween festivities for October 31:

- 1:30 p.m. Story hour at the library
- 2-3:30 p.m. Trick or Treating around post
- 3:30-5:30 p.m. Halloween Fest at the Darby Community Club with games and Trunk or Treating. This event is sponsored by Global Credit Union.

Gardaland Magic Halloween

Find fear & terror on October 26 for the Magic Halloween celebration at Gardaland. You'll find places crawling with live presences, and gruesome zombies that will send shivers down your spine. Call Outdoor Rec at 633-7775 for more information.

CYSS Creepy Kick Back Night

Enjoy a costume contest, spooky games and scary movies on Saturday, October 26, 5:45-11 p.m. at the Youth Center. Sign up by October 23.

Parent's Night Out

Relax and let CYSS take care of the kids on Saturday, October 26, 5:45-11 p.m. Register at Parent Central Services or on WebTrac.

Unit/Rec. Basketball League

It's time for Basketball season. Get your team signed up at the Fitness Center November 1-27. The coaches meeting will be held December 2, 5 p.m. in the Fitness Center upstairs office. Officials Clinic is scheduled for November 4-7 and league play will begin December 3. Call 6343-7438 for more information.



ODR Trips

October 19, Perugia Chocolate Fest
October 26, Gardaland Magic Halloween
November 2, Lucca Comics & Games
November 9, Wine Tasting Trip
Complete list and trip info on www.vicenza.armyMWR.com

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Darby Trip & Classes

Darby CYSS Activities



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Carriage rides in downtown Vicenza

VENETO

**40^a Festa del Maron
40th Chestnut Festival**

Through Oct. 20 in Valrovina near Bassano del Grappa, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza. From 3 p.m., children's dances and songs; 4:30 p.m. Nova majorettes performance; 9 p.m. live music and dancing; food booths featuring roasted chestnuts and local specialties and wines.

**CiocolandoVi
Chocolate Festival**

Oct. 18-20, in Vicenza, Piazza dei Signori, Piazza Garibaldi and Piazza Biade. Watch 50 top Italian chocolate manufacturers prepare chocolate delicacies and sample the great variety. Magic Moment show, Oct. 18 at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Oct. 1, 9 jugglers and acrobats perform at 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 4 p.m. and 5 p.m.

**Montagna in città - Mostra Mercato
Agricultural and organic show and market**

Oct. 19-20 in Schio, about 16 miles northwest of Vicenza; agricultural products show and market, food booths in Piazza Falcone-Borsellino open at

9 a.m.; 5 p.m., organic-natural products show and market on Via Pasini; Oct 20, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., train ride for children to downtown Schio; folk music and dancing start at 3 p.m.

Giri in carrozza

Horse-drawn carriage tours

Oct. 19, 3-8 p.m., in downtown Vicenza. Enjoy this unique way of seeing the most beautiful sites in Vicenza. The 15-minute tours depart from and return to Piazza Biade. The cost is €15 for a maximum of five people per carriage.

**Pomo Pero
Apple and Pear Festival**

Oct. 20 in Lusiana, Via Roma and Piazza IV Novembre, about 21 miles north of Vicenza; local products exhibit and sale 9 a.m. to noon and 3-6 p.m.; 3 p.m. wood carving demonstrations by local artisans; 3:30 p.m., folk music and dances; in Piazzetta Marchi from 5 p.m., apple juice production and tasting; roasted chestnuts.

Feste delle Castagne - Chestnut Festivals

Durlo di Crespadoro: Oct. 20, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., in Durlo, about 32 miles northwest of Vicenza; food booths feature roasted chestnuts and related specialties.

Bassano del Grappa: Oct. 20, in nearby Valrovina, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza; 10 a.m. chestnut, fruit and mushroom exhibit and sale; food booths open open at noon featuring traditional meals; 5:30 p.m., entertainment for children; 4 p.m. folk music; live music and dancing at 8 p.m.

Longara: Oct. 18-20, at the Parish Church, Strada delle Grancare 13; food booths open at 6 p.m. featuring local specialties, 12:30 p.m. on Sunday; entertainment for children starts at 4 p.m. on Oct. 19; live music at 4 p.m. on Oct. 20.

Lugo di Vicenza: Oct. 20, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m., local products exhibit and sale; best chestnut and walnut contest; charity raffle; 9 p.m., live music and dancing.

Merendaore (Recoaro Terme): Oct. 20, in Merendaore, about 34 miles northwest of Vicenza; 11 a.m., chestnut, honey, fruit and vegetable exhibit and sale; food booths featuring local specialties open at noon; 1 p.m. live music and chestnut roasting competition.

Festa dello Spiedo **Meat on the Spit Festival**

Oct. 20 in Isola Vicentina, Piazza Marconi, about 8 miles northwest of Vicenza; food booths featuring spit-roasted meats and vegetables, fresh mushrooms, and local sweets and wines open at noon and again at 5 p.m.; 3 p.m. live music and dancing.

Colori e sapori **Colors and flavors**

Oct. 19, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. and Oct. 20, 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., in Vicenza, Corso Fogazzaro e Piazza San Lorenzo; natural and organic products market and Vicentine beer tasting.

Abilmente - Mostra Internazionale della Manualità Creativa **International Bricolage and Manual Creativity Exhibit**

Oct. 17-20, 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., in Vicenza, Via dell'Oreficeria 16. Admission is €12, €10 for children 12-18 and seniors over 60; free for children under 12 and for disabled and their assistants; embroidery and patchwork workshops; creative sewing classes and T-shirt decoration; recycling and creative technique workshops.

Area antique markets this Sunday

Asiago: 8 a.m. to sunset, Piazzale Duomo and Giardini di Piazza Carli, about 27 miles south of Vicenza

Godega di Sant'Urbano: 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Via Roma, about 75 miles. (220 booths)

Montagnana: 8 a.m. to sunset, in Piazza Maggiore 150, about 27 miles south of Vicenza.

Padova: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Prato della Valle, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza. (180 vendors).

Soave: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., in Piazza Antonio Marogna and Corso Vittorio Emanuele, about 23 miles west of Vicenza. (110 vendors)

Festa d'Autunno **Autumn Festival**

Oct. 18-20 in Licciana Nardi (Massa), noon to midnight, in Piazza della Chiesa; food stands feature chestnut specialties, lasagna made with chestnut flour, fried apples and *bruschetta*.

Feste delle Castagne **Chestnut festivals**

Buti (Pisa): Oct. 19-20, Parco Danielli; food booths featuring chestnut specialties open at 1 p.m.; live music in the afternoon.

Pescia (Pistoia): Sundays from Oct. 27 to Nov. 10, 3-7 p.m. in the District of St. Michael; food stands, roasted chestnuts and entertainment.

Vivo D'Orcia (Siena): Oct. 19-20, enjoy the Palio del Boscaiolo, a traditional competition between two teams using old fashioned tools to cut logs, make stools and tables, and sit at them eating *polenta* prepared by their teammates; porcini mushrooms and chestnuts are for sale; vintage items; traditional trades re-enactments; and food booths featuring mushroom specialties.



Fiera di San Luca

Fiere di San Luca **Saint Luca Festivals**

Impruneta (Florence): Oct. 17-20, is one of the oldest livestock fairs in Europe; local products market opens at 9 a.m. in Via Paolieri; carnival rides in Piazza **Accursio da Bagnolo:** food booths in Piazza Garibaldi. Oct. 17 at 2 p.m., Palio di San Luca, the traditional horse race and fireworks at 10:30 p.m.

Pontedera (Pisa): in Piazza Mercato; Oct. 19-20 and Oct. 26-27, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; weekdays 3-8 p.m.; one of the oldest fairs in Tuscany featuring regional products, house items and clothing. Free admission.

Fiera di Firenze - Shop & the City Florence Fair - Shop & the City

Saturdays Oct. 19 and 26, 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Sundays Oct. 20 and 27, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Oct. 21-25, 3-11 p.m.; in Florence, Fortezza da Basso, Via Filippo Strozzi 1; home design, fashion clothing, fitness, health and art exhibits, food and wine displays, cooking workshops, live music. Free admission.

Pisa Collezione 2013 e MiliPisa Pisa Military Antiques and Collectables Fair

Oct. 18-19 in Pisa, Via Aurelia Sud 9; 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., stamps, coins, postcards, old prints, books and military items. Free admission.

Andy Warhol: Una storia americana Andy Warhol: An American Story

On exhibit through Feb. 2 at Palazzo Blu, Lungarno Gambacorti 9, Pisa; Tuesday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. The exhibit features Warhol's famous portraits of Mao, Nixon, Che Guevara, Liz Taylor, Mick Jagger and Marilyn Monroe among others and the well known silk-screens of Campbell's Soup cans, 20 rare Polaroid photos and many paintings. Entry costs €10, €8 for children under 10.

Area antique markets this weekend

Certaldo (Florence): Oct. 20, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Piazza Boccaccio e Via 2 Giugno.

Lucca: Oct. 19-20, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Piazza Antelminelli, Piazza S. Giovanni, Piazza San Giusto, Via San Giovanni, Corte Bertolini

Marina di Grosseto (Grosseto): Oct. 19-20, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Via XXIV Maggio.

Quarrata (Pistoia): Oct. 20, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Piazza Risorgimento

HALLOWEEN

A number of local amusement parks will feature special Halloween programs leading up to the holiday.

Monstrous Fun at Gardaland: Oct. 19-20, 26-27, Oct. 31 to Nov. 3, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Oct. 31: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., in Castelnuovo del Garda, Via Derna 4, about 45 miles west of Vicenza.

CanevaWorld Resort: Oct. 12-13, 19-20, 26-27, Oct. 31 to Nov. 3, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Oct. 31, 10 a.m. to midnight, in Lazise sul Garda, Località Fossalta, 58, about 51 miles east of Vicenza.

Mirabilandia: Oct. 19-20, 26-27, and Oct. 31, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Oct. 31, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., in Ravenna, Statale Adriatica SS16, Km. 162 Loc. Mirabilandia.

Cavallino Matto: Oct. 20, 27, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Nov. 1-3, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; in Marina di Castagneto (Livorno), Via Po 1.



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CONCERTS

Bob Dylan - Nov. 2-4 in Milan; Nov. 8 in Padova

Queens of the Stone Age - Nov. 3 in Assago (Milan)

Pixies - Nov. 4 in Milan

Seasick Steve - Nov. 5 in Milan

Amanda Palmer and The Grand Theft - Nov. 9 in Milan

Red - Nov. 11 in Milan

Pentatonix - Nov. 12 in Milan

Airbourne - Nov. 14 in Milan

Alter Bridge and Halestorm - Nov. 19 in Milan

Yellowcard - Nov. 22 in Florence

The Original USA Gospel Singers & Band - Dec. 15 in Bolzano

Michael Bubl  - Jan. 27-28, 2014 in Assago (Milan)

Simple Minds - Feb. 25, 2014 in Assago (Milan)

Tickets at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center or online.



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Art EDGE!

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Make a Ceramic Lantern

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- Tuesdays, November 5-19 (3 classes), 3:30 – 5 p.m.
- Arts & Crafts Center For grades 6-12
- Create a ceramic holiday lantern
- Cost: \$20 | Enrollment starts October 7 (ends November 5)



Fit EDGE!

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Youth Boxing Training & Conditioning

- Tuesdays & Thursdays, November 5-22 (6 classes), 4:30 – 6 p.m.
- Post Fitness Center For grades 6-12
- All skill levels & genders are welcome.
- Learn emotional and physical self-discipline
- Cost: \$20 | Enrollment starts October 7 (ends November 5)



Life EDGE! Garage - Auto Mechanics

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- Thursdays, October 31-November 21 (4 classes), 3:30 – 5 p.m.
- Auto Skills Center (Building 44) For grades 6-12
- Learn auto basics, engine & electrical systems, computerized controls & diagnose problems from the professionals
- Cost: \$20 | Enrollment starts October 7 (ends October 31)



Fit EDGE! Indoor Soccer Skills & Conditioning

- Fridays, November 1-22 & December 6-13 (6 classes) 3:30 – 5 p.m.
- Villagio Youth/Teen Center Gym For grades 3-12
- Learn or sharpen the ten fundamental skills for soccer excellence
- Cost: \$20 | Enrollment starts October 7 (ends November 1)

918301-11 (grades 3-5)
928305-11 (grades 6-12)



To enroll, visit CYSS Parent Central Services or register online with WebTrac.
For more information, call 634-7219 (0444-71-7219)
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Visit the VMC community calendar for the latest event details and updates at

www.usag.vicenza.army.mil

Early closure

The Global Credit Union on Caserma Ederle will close at 3 p.m. on Oct. 31 to allow staff members to support the Halloween Carnival at Villaggio and the Zombie Run at Del Din.

AFSPA rep at Ederle

An American Foreign Service Protective Association representative will discuss Federal Employees Health Benefits open season health benefit choices at the Vicenza Post Theater Oct. 24 from 1-2 p.m. All U.S. civilians are encouraged to attend.

AESD phone service changes

The Army Enterprise Service Desk implemented changes to its AESD Interactive Voice Response system Oct. 15 to simplify and better support customer calls. There are now only three options to choose from when calling in service request: AKO SIPR, AKO or All Others. After customers make that selection, an AESD technician will come on line to handle the request. Information is available at 1-866-335-2769 (a stateside call) or online at <https://esd-crm.csd.disa.mil/>

Federal Benefits Open Season

The 2013 Federal Benefits Open Season will begin Nov. 11 and continue through Dec. 9. The Office of Personnel Management has posted various premium rates to the web.

2014 FEHB rates: www.opm.gov/insure/health/rates/index.asp

2014 FEDVIP dental rates: www.opm.gov/insure/dental/rates/index.asp

2014 FEDVIP vision rates: www.opm.gov/insure/vision/rates/index.asp

Electronic health plan brochures, in support of OPM's Going Green initiative, are available at <http://www.opm.gov/healthcare-insurance/healthcare/plan-information/guides>



Photo by Laura Kreider

Singers cut loose on stage during the September Music Cafè at the Soldiers' Theatre. The monthly open mic and jam session returns Oct. 25. See listings for details.

Open Season information will become available online beginning Nov. 4. Until then, general information is available at <http://www.opm.gov/retirement-services/publications-forms/benefits-administration-letters/2013/13-401.pdf>

All employees should, at a minimum, review current enrollments and expected premium changes to determine whether current coverage is adequate. Remember, a premium increase is not considered a qualifying life event for changing enrollment outside of open season.

Retiree Appreciation Day

USAG Vicenza will host its annual Retiree Appreciation Day Oct. 18; all military retirees are invited to attend. Registration starts at 8 a.m. in the Deployment Support Center, Building 300A, on Caserma Ederle. Information and personnel service booths will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and will include medical and dental screening, a DFAS finance representative, the U.S. Consulate Federal Benefits Unit from Rome, legal assistance, identification card renewal, Army Community Ser-

vice and Army Emergency Relief. The USO will provide a free bag lunch for all retirees. A no-host dinner with live band will get under way at 6 p.m. For details call the USAG Vicenza Retirement Services Officer at 634-7262.

Sgt. Joseph Peters estate claims

Anyone having any claims on or obligations to the estate of Sgt. Joseph M. Peters, 286th Military Police Detachment, Caserma Ederle, should contact the summary court officer, Maj. Brian Mumfrey, at 634-7329.

Tuition assistance in tough times

In response to tightening economic conditions, the University of Maryland University College has decreased its semester hour tuition cost from \$249 to \$212; will waive application fees for students who attend

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the UMUC-411 seminar; and offers a \$700 New Student Scholarship. Active duty service members and their dependents are also eligible a \$150 textbook scholarship. Fall Session 2 registration runs through Oct. 21; classes take place through Dec. 13 and include: anatomy and physiology, Italian, college math, Western civilization, information systems management, management and organizational theory, statistics, composition and literature, writing and psychology. Call 634-8927 or email vicenza-europe@umuc.edu for information and assistance.

Vet Clinic openings and hours

The Vicenza Veterinary Treatment Facility in Longare will hold an all-day Saturday clinic Oct. 26 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., by appointment only. Regular clinic hours are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., except holidays and weekends. Please note that office visits, sick calls and surgeries are by appointment only. Stop by any time

to schedule an appointment, register a pet, get pet passport information, purchase preventatives or pick up special order items. Call 635-4841 or 0444-71-4841 for assistance.

DFAC closed for maintenance

The South of the Alps Dining Facility on Caserma Ederle remains closed for maintenance through Oct. 27. It will re-open Oct. 28. Meal card holders will be accommodated in a separate location during the closure.

Scheduled power outages

DPW has scheduled a power outage on Caserma Ederle for Friday, Oct. 18, from 5:30-9:30 p.m. to perform necessary periodic maintenance to seven electrical substations. Buildings 131, 138, 139, 140, 320, 168, 170, 111, 135, 136, 113, 126, 134, 137, 169 and Gate No. 5 will be affected. A second outage on Saturday, Oct. 19, from 8 a.m. to noon, will affect Buildings 128, 126, 300, 108, 171, 109, 112, 2309, 107, 167, 117, 125, 102, 103,

101, 161, 104, 162, 105, 163 and 173. The scheduled times are estimates; electricity may be restored ahead of schedule.

CYSS fees change Nov. 1

Child, Youth and School-age Services fees will change across the Army Nov. 1 as the Department of Defense transitions to single fees within Total Family Income categories to provide consistent child care fees across the military services. Changes will include a slight increase or decrease in child care fees; revised payment and late payment fee procedures; revised parent participation procedures; revised termination of services procedures; and changes to installation procedures for the Family Child Care (FCC) parent fee assistance and FCC provider support initiatives. The transition will continue through school years 2015-2016, at which time DoD plans to have established a single fee

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At the movies



Ederle Theater

Oct. 17	7 p.m.	Smurfs 2 (PG)
Oct. 18	7 p.m.	Captain Phillips (PG-13) *
	10 p.m.	Machete Kills (R) *
Oct. 19	3 p.m.	Planes in 3D (PG)
	6 p.m.	Machete Kills (R) *
Oct. 20	3 p.m.	Captain Phillips (PG-13) *
	6 p.m.	Parkland (PG-13)
Oct. 23	11 a.m.	The Mortal Instruments: City of Bones (PG-13)
	7 p.m.	The World's End (R)
Oct. 24	7 p.m.	The Butler (PG-13)

Admission: 3D first run (*), adult, \$8, under 12, \$5.25; 3D second run, adult \$7.50, under 12, \$5; first run (*), adult, \$6, under 12, \$3.25; second run, adult \$5.50, under 12, \$3.

Advance tickets: On sale Monday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the PX Food Court entrance, except on federal holidays. Up to 50 percent of seats will be on sale; the remainder go on sale one hour before show time at the theater box office.

Film ratings and reviews are available at www.imdb.com

Captain Phillips

Tom Hanks plays Capt. Richard Phillips, commander of the US-flagged MV Maersk Alabama, hijacked by pirates off the coast of Somalia in 2009. This dramatic account of the first hijacking of an American cargo ship in 200 years presents a complex portrait of the myriad affects of globalization on today's world. Directed by Paul Greengrass, also stars Barkhad Abdi.

for each TFI category. The Army continues its commitment to affordable child care and youth programs by striving to keep fees lower than comparable community programs and by paying a portion of the cost of care for all Families using Child and Youth Programs. Call CYSS Parent Central Services at 633-7681 with questions or for a copy of the new fee charts.

Cancer awareness

The U.S. Army Warrant Officer Association, South of the Alps Chapter 113, and the USAG Vicenza Military Community will co-host a Cancer Awareness 5-K Run/Walk Nov. 2 on Caserma Ederle to raise awareness of cancer-related illnesses and support venues for patients, survivors, family members, friends and supporters. The run will be from 8-10 a.m., followed by information and demonstrations from 10 a.m. to noon. A \$25 registration fee covers a participant T-shirt, drinks and snacks. Proceeds will go to two selected CFC cancer foundations and additional donations are welcome. Payment may be made daily at the Caserma Ederle and Caserma Del Din Fitness Centers and at the PX Food Court from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. To sign up go to <http://www.customink.com/signup/4bqq31b7> or call CW2 Katrina Boggs at 634-5522 or 0444-71-5522.

Soldiers' Theatre events

The Music Café returns Oct. 25. Come out to play the open mic and enjoy community musicians performing and jamming in a relaxed, low-key atmosphere. It's fun and it's free.

Comedy Improv Night at the theater Nov. 1 at 7:30 p.m. promises an evening of adult fun, laughter and comedy in the lobby. Refreshments will be available. Directed by Aaron Talley and featuring Jesse Dyer, Eric Grosshans, James Malpino, Kevin Martin, Loriann McKeever, Aaron Talley, Allison Torchia, Maggie Wallis and Chris Wolff; not suitable for children. Tickets are \$10. Call 634-7281 or 044-471-7281 for reservations.



Photo by Laura Kreider

Members and friends of Esther's Grace Chapter 170 pass out literature and raise funds to support breast cancer awareness at the Caserma Ederle PX Oct. 12.

414th CSB quarterly training

The 414th Contracting Support Brigade will provide quarterly training Oct. 22-23 for personnel who need acquisition planning and requirement documents development training. They will also deliver training for new personnel and re-certify Contracting Officer Representatives and Government Purchase Card holders for USARAF, USAG-Vicenza and all tenant units. Personnel requiring Field Ordering Official training should contact 414th CSB via email. Online registration may be completed online at <https://portal.setaf.army.mil/CSB414/training>. Click on NEW, fill out individual information and classes to be attended and click OK. For assistance, call John Dingeman at 637-7728.

AE-ITT classes

Army in Europe Information Technology Training Program and Knowledge offer the following training courses:

Oct. 21-25: DOD IA Certification 8570.1 (A+) 2011

Nov. 11-15: MCITP: Windows 7 Enterprise Desktop Support Technician Boot Camp

Dec. 2-6: ICND2: Interconnecting Cisco Devices 2

See a full list of upcoming courses online or call the local site coordinator at 634-6077.

Upcoming sports events

Oct. 18-19: USAG Vicenza Flag Football Championship

Oct. 25-26: Racquetball and Tennis Tournament players meeting

Nov. 1-3: Veterans Day 5-on-5 soccer

Nov. 13: Unit-Rec basketball league starts

Nov. 22-24: Flag Football Thanksgiving Bowl

Stop by the Sports & Fitness Center for details.

Keep status updated

Changes in family status affect payment of both Living Quarters Allowance and Post Allowance. Changes may include marriage, divorce, separation, birth or adoption of a child or a child reaching 21 years of age. Employees who have a change in family status are required to submit a form SF-1190 to their Civilian Personnel Advisory Center to document the change, accompanied by appropriate documents to verify the change. The form and instructions are online at <https://cpolrhp.cpol.army.mil/eur/overseas/inprocessing/sf1190.htm> (Defense Civilian Payroll System Support Office)



Halloween

Events & Activities



Lion's Den Halloween Party

Friday, October 25 - 8:30 p.m. | Lion's Den | Adults 18+

Dress in your funniest or scariest costume. Enjoy drink specials, party favors, giveaways and a costume contest.



Paper Bag Masks

Wednesday, October 30 - 3:30 p.m. | Ederle Library | Ages 3-11 Years

Get ready for trick or treating and create your own paper bag masks with our help.



Halloween Bowling

Thursday, October 31 - 3-8 p.m. | The Arena | Ages 18 & Under

Kids in costume can enjoy a game of bowling for \$1 and free shoes. Bowl to the old time classic spooky movies.



Del Din Zombie Run

Thursday, October 31 - 5:12 p.m. | Del Din Fitness Center | Adults 18+

The zombie apocalypse has come to Del Din! Can you stay alive and make it out or are you part of the living dead?



Zombie Quarantine Bash

Thursday, October 31 - 7 p.m. | Del Din Warrior Zone | Adults 18+

When darkness falls over the Del Din Zombie Run, the infected are invited to attend the BOSS Halloween Bash!



Magic Halloween in Gardaland

Saturday, November 2 - 8:30 a.m. - 7 p.m. | Ederle Outdoor Recreation

Enjoy 15 sinister sets, a place crawling with shocking, gruesome creatures ready to scare those who enter.



CYS School Age Trip to Gardaland

Saturday, November 2 - Departs at 10 a.m. | Grades 1-5

Children will enjoy this exciting trip to Gardaland where they can enjoy thrilling rides and lots of fun!

For more info on these and other events, visit www.vicenza.armyMWR.com.

Cougars light up too late to stop Ansbach

By Pete Huller

Special to *The Outlook*

What do a city bus route and the Vicenza Cougars defense have in common?

Answer: You can only expect so many stops.

On Friday night under the lights on Caserma Ederle, the Ansbach Cougars proved to be a little better than our Cougars, winning the contest 25-6. The Vicenza defense was stout all night, stopping Ansbach on fourth down six times. But it's tough to be perfect, and Ansbach proved it by scoring twice in the first half, then kicking a field goal and completing a 49-yard touchdown pass to seal the victory.

"I was so mad; I was flabbergasted," said VHS student manager Gabriel Moore. "Our boys had butter fingers. They kept making fumbles. Then it could be Ansbach is just a better team. They haven't lost a single game this season."

Vicenza's offense sputtered most of the night, giving Ansbach's offense great field position by turning the ball over four times in the first half.

Late in the game the offense came alive, but it was too little, too late.

Jerome Farmer caught some big passes and Ethan Fullmer scampered around left end for the Cougars' only touchdown. The Cougars were driving again, close to another touchdown, but the clock ran out.

All in all, 2013 has been a miraculous season for a team that won only one game in the past three years. The Cougars may have lost their final regular season game, but their outstanding start and early promise has propelled them into the playoffs, which begin next week.

Let's hope the offense and defense regain some of their earlier prowess in the big games ahead.

Top to bottom: *The Cougars wait to play and move the ball against Ansbach in a losing venture Oct. 11. The cheer squad performs as well.*



Photos by Laura Kreider



Vicenza teams defeat Sigonella Jaguars

By Alexandra Frank
Special to The Outlook

The Vicenza High School Cougars men's and women's volleyball teams took on the Sigonella Jaguars Oct. 4. Both Vicenza teams played back-to-back games and swept Sigonella across the board.

It was a long night full of great volleyball.

The Cougars men had a strong start, quickly winning two sets, 25-17 and 25-13. But the Jaguars adapted swiftly to the Cougars' game, finding a way to receive passes and better direct their shots, and started the third set with an unmistakable air of confidence.

It wasn't just bluster. The Jaguars took the next two sets, forcing the game into a fifth, deciding face-off. The Cougars managed to regroup and win the first game with a score of 15-7.

After a quick, 10 minute break, the opponents were right back at it. Once again the Cougars took an early lead, racking up victories two straight sets, but just as they had before, the Jaguars were not ready to give the game up that easily.

The third set turned out to be a highly competitive match, the lead going back and forth between the two teams, each side waiting for the other to make a mistake. Hanging tough, Sigonella held on for the advantage and took the set 26-24.

The final set started out roughly for the Cougars, with the lead going back and forth, but they managed to get a better handle on their serve going into the final stretch and took control. Vicenza broke away at the 19-18 mark and scored uninterruptedly to win the set 25-18.

As the men's teams left the court, the women were just beginning a long night of volleyball.

In a pair of strong opening sets, the Lady Cougars put away the Jaguars 25-18 and 25-19, but as if mirroring play on the men's side, the Lady Jaguars fought back in the third set for a victory.

Sigonella's Rachel Vosler helped the Jaguars with strong and consistent serves while their setter stepped forward over and over to set the Jaguars up for kills.

Despite the step back, the Lady Cougars stayed calm and played a determined game of volleyball.

Better passing and on-the-floor communication between setter and hitters, which Vicenza has been working diligently to improve, came to the fore and the team's serving, one of its core strengths, propelled the Lady Cougars to a 25-13 win.

Vicenza swept the final two sets 25-17 and 25-14, ending a long night of volleyball with a strong finish.

The Cougars played a developmental set of games and expect to bring their maturing skills and coordination into the limelight when they take on Marymount International Oct. 18-19.

THE ZOMBIE RUN
at the **DEL DIN Fitness Center**

October 31
Begins at Sunset (5:12 p.m.)

Cost: \$10 (w/o shirt), \$20 (w/ shirt) | Cash Only
Adults Only (Ages 18+)

Register at the Del Din Fitness Center
beginning at 8 a.m. on October 31.

For more information call 637-2702.
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Soldiers' Theatre recognized at One Act Festival

By USAG Vicenza PAO

The cast and production crew of the USAG Vicenza Soldiers' Theatre short comedy, *Check Please*, were honored with seven awards at the IMCOM-Europe One Act Festival, which took place in Kaiserslautern, Germany, Oct. 11-13.

"We are excited to be able to share the amazing talent here in Vicenza with other theaters throughout Europe. This was a great experience that allowed our community to compete and also to take advantage of theater training opportunities during the festival," said Soldiers' Theatre entertainment director, Jerry Brees.

Cast members included Eric Grosshans, James Malpino, Allison Torchia and Maggie Wallis. The stage manager for the production was Pat Wilson.

Check Please garnered an impressive seven awards in the competition, including a Best Show award. The Soldiers' Theatre crew competed against 11 other productions from across Europe that brought more than 70 cast and crew members together for the annual competition.

Check Please was honored as third place winner in the Best Show category.

Maggie Wallis won first place for Best Female Supporting Actor and Allison Torchia won third place for Best Female Leading Actor.

Spc. James Malpino won second



Photo by Rich Price

Allison Torchia and Eric Grosshans talk turkey in a scene from the Soldiers' Theatre's production of *Check Please*, which garnered seven awards at the IMCOM-Europe One Act Festival in Kaiserslautern, Germany, last weekend.

place for Best Male Leading Actor and Eric Grosshans won third place for Best Male Supporting Actor.

Pat Wilson won second place for Best Stage Manager and Soldiers' Theatre entertainment director Jerry Brees won third place for Best Director.

"The adjudicators were extremely complimentary of the professional-

ism of the production. It was another banner year for USAG Vicenza," said Brees.

"I am extremely proud of our cast and crew and their professionalism and talent. Being recognized as one of the best shows is a testament to all the talented and dedicated volunteers in the Soldiers' Theatre family," he said.

October 31
From 3-8 p.m. at the Arena

Kids in costume can enjoy a game of bowling for \$1 and free shoes. Bowl to the old time classic spooky movies.

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HALLOWEEN

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Lion's Den

October 25
8 p.m. - 1:30 a.m.

Dress in your funniest or scariest costume and compete in our costume contest!
Drink specials for the night, party favors and giveaways.

For more info, visit www.vicenza.armyMWR.com
or call 634-8257



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.: St. Mark's Catholic Women

5:30 p.m.: Gospel choir rehearsal

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

VMC faith group contacts

Bahá'í Faith: Call 348-603-2283

Church of Christ: Call at 345-469-9974 or 0444-335-135 or send email: vicenzaitalychurchofchrist@gmail.com

Islamic: Call 634-7519 or 0444-71-7519

Jewish: Call 345-907-2108

Latter Day Saints: Young Men/ Young Women meeting is every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Spiritual Fitness Center. Sunday services, 1:30 p.m. in Vicenza. Call 389-268-5605 or email drbob143@gmail.com

Trinity Church Vicenza: An International Presbyterian Church (IPC) congregation. Call 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

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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