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VMS seventh-grader Molly Fritz (left) helps classmate Mary Sarantakes with a last minute adjustment to her costume before the annual VMS Grand Bazaar at the school Jan. 22. Fritz and Sarantakes represented South Korea in the milestone event of world geography teacher George Hanby's cultural studies curriculum. See page 8 for more.

Photo by Laura Kreider

CSA: Missions not slowing

By J.D. Leipold
Army News Service

WASHINGTON - Speaking at an Institute of Land Warfare breakfast in Arlington, Va., Jan. 23, Chief of Staff of the Army, Gen. Ray Odierno, said that although the Army is out of Iraq and drawing down in Afghanistan, the force is not standing still.

"Every one of our components is incredibly busy and continues to be," he said.

"We have forces that are tailored and scaled, that are conducting operations, training, building partner capacity in many parts of the world and that's what we'll continue to do. ... We still have about 30,000 Soldiers in Afghanistan; we still have another 20,000 in other places in the Middle East; and, we have Soldiers in Turkey," Odierno continued. The chief said a globally responsive Army of the future must be leaner, smaller, scalable and expeditionary.

"We have to be able to deploy very quickly, get there in small packages and then potentially build on them, and we have to get there with the least amount



of support necessary," he said. "We have to be able to go to remote areas anywhere in the world while building on our advantage of tactical

operations strategic ability."

Remote areas include the African continent, where Odierno said Army units have conducted 80-100 missions over the past eight months. Some missions took 10 Soldiers, some took 200. Their key mission, he said, was to support the AFRICOM commander's objectives across central and North Africa. He added that the Army has to build a force which understands what's going on there.

"The future is working in coalitions with multinational partners ... how we develop that," he said. "These are the kind of things we have to do when we talk about regional engagement."

Speak Out

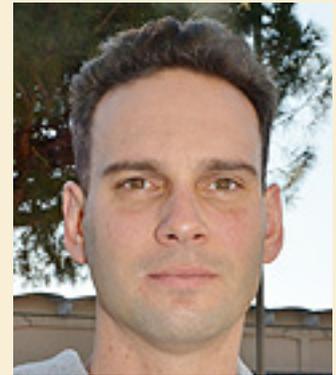
Who is your pick to win the Super Bowl?



Spc. Lance Bovee

Company D, 1st-503rd Infantry (Airborne)

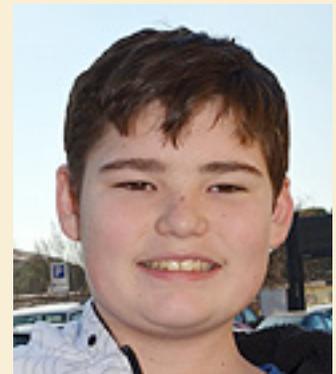
"My pick is the Denver Broncos."



Vito Gallo

DES Fire Department

"Denver Broncos with a score of 24-10."



Nate McNeely

Family member

"Broncos, but the score will be close."

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U.S. continues airlift of RDF troops to CAR

By U.S. Air Force Capt. Christine Guthrie

KIGALI, Rwanda – Two U.S. Air Force C-17 Globemaster III aircraft operating at the request of the French government and African Union authorities continued airlifting a Rwandan mechanized battalion to the Central African Republic Jan. 19. The joint operation, with personnel from the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force, is in support of an African Union effort to confront destabilizing forces and violence.

“The African Union has decided to stand up a mission in the Central African Republic to decrease the violence that has been occurring over the last several months,” said Lt. Col. Allen Pepper, U.S. Army Africa. “A part of that is getting enough troops on the ground to execute that mission.”

Each airlift mission stages from Entebbe, Uganda, and consists of transporting soldiers and equipment from Kigali, Rwanda, to Bangui, capital of the Central Africa Republic.

Maj. Micah Vander Veen, Contingency Response Element commander and mission commander for the Entebbe stage, said, “Our goal is to provide logistical and airlift support to the Rwandan military in order to support their overall mission.”

In Kigali, forces from 21st Theater Sustainment Command, 435th Contingency Response Group, U.S. Army Africa and the Rwandan mechanized battalion work together to prepare equipment for loading onto C-17 aircraft. Personnel build pallets containing security equipment, clear weapons and create load plans.

Preventing atrocity, building stability

“What the Rwandans are doing in Central Africa is very important. They are preventing mass atrocities and helping to stabilize the Central African Republic,” said Lt. Col. David Hernandez, Mission Coordination Cell Rwanda officer in charge for USARAF. “For this reason, the support we are providing to them is important.”

The joint U.S. military contingent is expected to transport about 850 Rwandan soldiers and more than 1,000 tons of equipment in total over the next few weeks.

This is the second such operation in support of the African Union’s efforts to stabilize Central African Republic. The first occurred late last year, when the U.S. Air Force transported Burundian soldiers.

Although the situation is stabilizing in Bangui, additional forces are needed to reinforce the progress being made.

“The most rewarding part of this mission is seeing the quality troops that come off these planes,” Pepper said. “They come off and are ready and eager to go and do their mission. Without these kinds of folks on the ground, this mission could never be completed.”



Photos by U.S. Army Africa

Rwandan Defence Forces infantrymen wait to board a U.S. Air Force C-17 in Kigali, Rwanda, Jan. 19. USARAF personnel based in Vicenza have helped coordinate the joint airlift mission to the Central African Republic.

ICE comments help garrison improve services

By USAG Vicenza PAO

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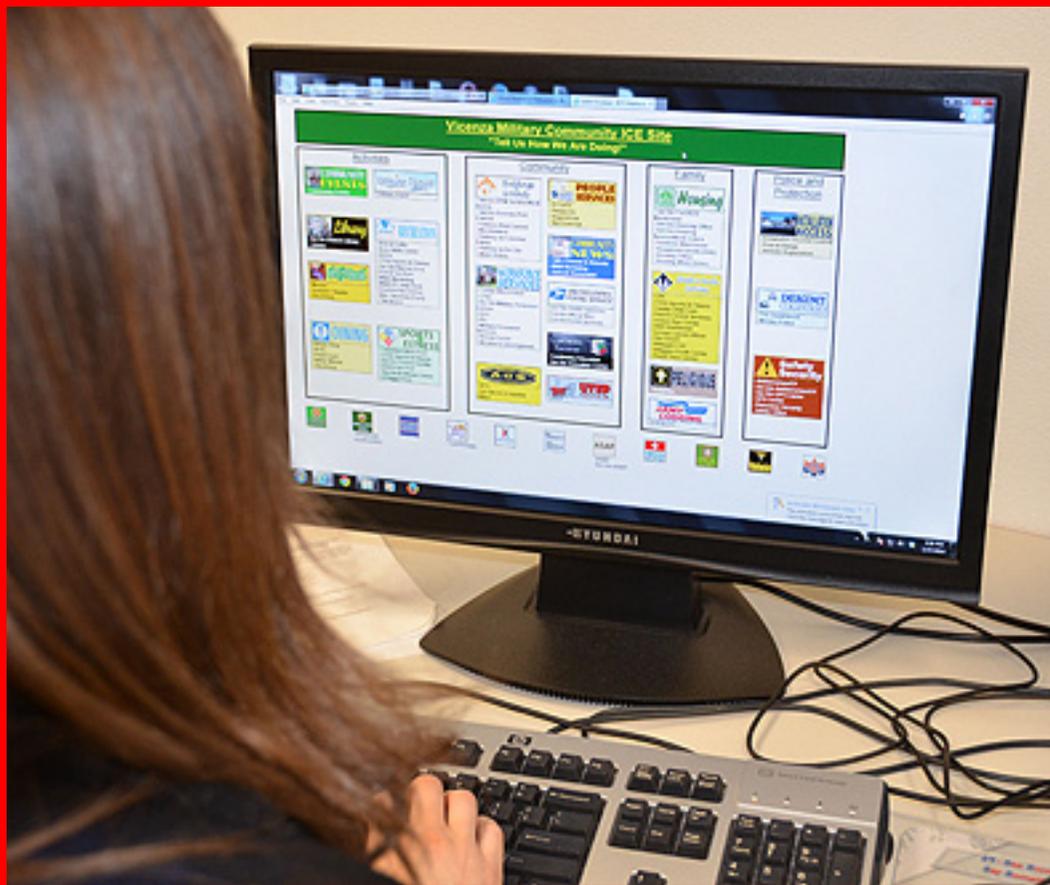
"Anyone on the garrison, using the ICE system, can bring their concerns or praises to the attention of garrison leadership," said Michael Fugate, garrison management analyst.

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"ICE really provides garrison leadership with the pulse of the community and the opportunity to look into and address the community's issues in order to improve the quality of life for

everyone in the USAG Vicenza footprint," Fugate said.

To register an ICE comment, go online to <http://www.usag.vicenza.army.mil/sites/local/vsp/ICE/default.html> or <http://ice.disa.mil/>

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To the Editor



Photos by David Ruderman

VMS sixth-grader Selomi Dayaprema (left) poses for a photo after winning the Spelling Bee Championship Jan. 22. Fifth-grader David Toves (center) won second place and sixth-grader Angelina Bowden took third.

Youngsters give ‘older’ students run for their money at Vicenza Spelling Bee

By Teresa Taylor

Vicenza Middle School

Vicenza Elementary and Middle School vocabulary stalwarts battled their way through heavy duty word fire till just one winner stood on stage at the fourth annual Spelling Bee Championship held Jan. 22 at the Villaggio school complex.

Sixth-grader Selomi Dayaprema stayed the course till the end to finish first with a correct spelling of the word “pallid.”

Sponsored by the Vicenza Schools PTSA, the fierce competition brought together 20 students, who spelled their way through more than 20 rounds of recondite erudition in pursuit of the victor’s laurels.

Fifth-grader David Toves finished second and sixth-grader Angelina Bowden finished third, though several of the younger elementary school students held their own against the

middle schoolers until the end.

Second-grader Micah Austin wowed the audience of family, faculty and friends round after round, only to bow out in the end with a fourth-place finish.

Eighth-graders Esther Ruderman and Matthew Salo finished fifth and sixth, respectively, followed by fourth-grader Grant Salo, sixth-grader Sydney Williams, fourth-grader Layne Keck and eighth-grader Abby Houghton.

Next stop, Kaiserslautern

Dayaprema goes on to represent both schools at the European PTSA Spelling Bee to be held in Kaiserslautern, Germany, March 15. Toves will stand by as the alternate, in the event Dayaprema is not able to represent the schools. Bowden will be the second alternate.

The winner of the regional spelling bee will advance to represent DoDDS-Europe at the National Scripps Spell-

ing Bee in Washington, D.C.

USAG Vicenza schools liaison officer Norie McCall, Mediterranean District Superintendent’s Office English and language arts coordinator Dr. Noni Hoag, U.S. Army Africa’s Lt. Col. Robert Brogan and U.S. Army Health Center’s Col. Robert McKenzie served as judges for the contest. VMS math teacher Gene Tramm served as moderator and official “word pronouncer” for the evening.

PTSA President Amanda Hester and VES sponsor Trina Downey assisted with the awards presentations and rendered encouragement and consolation to the spellers as they exited the stage of battle.

Special thanks to Robert Johnson, Juan Ramos and Richard Toro for their help in setting up and breaking down the seating, and to all the volunteers who pitched in to set the stage for our amazing youngsters to put themselves to the test.



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Italian students visit annual VMS Grand Bazaar

Story and photos by Laura Kreider
USAG Vicenza PAO

In a tradition that occurs every year in late January, Vicenza Middle School hosted its Grand Bazaar Jan. 22, transforming the whole seventh-grade wing of the school into a Middle Eastern market for the day.

After researching the background history, geography and local products of a designated country, more than 80 seventh-graders displayed their color-

ful, culture specific wares for sale. But this year, the bazaar was flooded with Italians as students from *Scuola Media "G. Ciscato"* in Malo, about 10 miles northwest of Vicenza, visited VMS as part of their annual cultural exchange.

Giovanna Facci and Agostina Calabrò, English and Italian literature teachers respectively at the Malo school, accompanied two dozen eight-graders to VMS for the day. The Italian teens spent the day with their American friends, attending various

classes and eating lunch together, and then experiencing a one-hour tour and shopping expedition through the packed but flowing hordes visiting the bazaar.

For the Malo students, it was a chance to practice their English while experiencing the atmosphere of an oriental market before returning to their school.

The Grand Bazaar was officially opened at 1:30 p.m. by Sheikh al-Hanbib, alias George Hanby, VMS world geography teacher, who organized the bazaar, welcomed visitors and freely handed out "weros," the ersatz bank notes that were the only currency accepted at the bazaar.

"This is the second annual Grand Bazaar," said Hanby, decked out in his authentic Saudi Arabian costume.

"Beginning in November students chose a country from the regions studied and created a data poster board filled with specific information regarding their country's living standards," he said.

Seventh-graders dressed in costumes representing Chad, China, ancient Egypt, South Korea, India, Pakistan, Japan, Saudi Arabia and South Africa, spread out rugs and blankets in the school hallways to display and



Above: Seventh-grader Christian Baxter displays his Egyptian wares to students from the *Scuola Media "G. Ciscato"* in Malo during their visit to the VMS Grand Bazaar Jan. 22. **Right:** World geography instructor and bazaar organizer George Hanby, aka Sheikh al-Hanbib, welcomes guests.

Far right: Mary Sarantakes parts with Korean cultural items in exchange for a fistful of "weros."



sell their homemade products.

Shoppers and traders included parents and teachers, and of course the Italian students from Malo, who seemed to genuinely appreciate the bazaar items as well as the treats available in Hanby's classroom.

"I really enjoyed coming here today," said eighth-grader Michele Giorgini.

"It was fun. I was able to get three bracelets. I liked the fact that they were created on the spot in the booth representing Ethiopia," he said.

Fellow student Maria Rigoni said she liked the classroom activities as well as the bazaar visit.

Language not an obstacle

"All the American students were kind and friendly. The language difference was not an obstacle at all. I wish we could do it at our school, and I would also be happy if they could visit our school," she said.

The seventh-graders were enthusiastic about their special visitors said Isabella Pani, host nation teacher at VMS.

"A special thank you to Mr. Hanby for engaging the students in this great project," said Pani. "I am sure we'll do our best to invite another Italian school for next year's bazaar."

Facci, the English instructor from Malo, said she hoped her students registered the concept of being "united in diversity" that underpinned the bazaar and the cross-cultural experience of the day in general.

"After a full-immersion morning in the English language spent by our students in a spacious, motivating and joyful environment, we had the chance to participate in the Grand Bazaar," said Facci.

"For the occasion, the American students became citizens of the different countries they were representing and they looked very passionate to present what they have learned about them, sell their creations and share some typical food samples. Once we realized our time was over I could notice how our students were disappointed that it was already time to leave, but at the same time they were aware they had a unique experience of feeling united thanks to their wonderful differences," Facci said.

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February



Fit EDGE! Go with the Flow Yoga

February 3-24, 4:30-5:30 p.m. (Mondays)
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Fit EDGE! Youth Boxing Training & Conditioning Program

February 4-26, 4:30-6 p.m. (Tuesdays & Wednesdays)
Ederle Fitness Center Combative Room
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Life EDGE! Garage Auto Mechanics

February 6-27, 3:30-5 p.m. (Thursdays)
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Life EDGE! Framing & Matting

February 7-28, 3:30-5 p.m. (Fridays)
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Observe ski, snowboard rules for safe winter fun

By Chiara Mattiolo
Darby Military Community PAO

While the ski season quickly approaches here in Tuscany, and snow is finally covering the Appenines, Outdoor Recreation is presently organizing weekly ski trips to the Abetone ski resorts.

But whether they be novices or suntanned veterans of the slopes, skiers and snowboarders must behave in such a way as not to endanger or injure others.

"A skier or snowboarder coming from behind must choose his route in such a way that he does not endanger skiers or snowboarders ahead, keeping in consideration that the skier or snowboarder in front has priority," said Chiara Chelossi, DMC Safety and Occupational Health specialist.

"The skier or snowboarder moving behind another in the same direction must keep sufficient distance between himself and the other skier or snowboarder," she said.

Wearing a helmet while skiing or snowboarding is mandatory for children under the age of 14, but the use of helmets is highly encouraged for skiers of all ages to prevent possible head injuries — even if the skier is considered an expert.

"Italy was the first country to impose legislation requiring children to wear ski helmets," Chelossi said. "It is mandatory for children under the age of 14 to wear a helmet while skiing or snowboarding in Italian resorts, and parents are responsible and will be fined if their child does not wear a helmet."

At each ski lift throughout the mountains there are signs indicating the degree of difficulty of the trails — black, red, blue or green — in descending order of difficulty.

"A skier or snowboarder must remain in control," said Chelossi. "They must adapt their speed and manner of skiing or snowboarding to their personal ability and to the prevailing conditions of terrain, snow and weather, as well as to the density of traffic."

Ski trips, organized by Outdoor Recreation, depart every Saturday at 6.30 a.m. and return that evening at 6 p.m. Register in advance at the ODR office.

Speak Out

Who is your pick to win the Super Bowl?



Tech. Sgt. Kevin Doherty
731st Munitions Squadron

"The Seattle Seahawks."



Tony Bingham
Child, Youth Services

"The Seattle Seahawks."



Lawrence Kilgore
Darby Military Community

"Denver. They have a stronger offense."



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Intro to Rock Climbing

Learn the basics of rock climbing including equipment usage, belaying and climbing techniques on Feb 5, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Del Din Fitness Center. To register, call 634-7453 or on-line via WebTrac.

ODR Trips

- Feb 2 Folgaria Ski & Snowboard Trip
- Feb 8 Madonna di Campiglio Ski Trip
- Feb 14 Budapest Hungary Overnight
- Feb 17 Illy Coffee: Aroma of the World 101

Register on WebTrac or at ODR. Call 634-7453 for information or visit our website.

Monday Night Nerd Night

Bazinga! It's Nerd Night every Monday at the Del Din Warrior Zone! Stop by, test some new food & drink experiments and enjoy continuous viewing of The Big Bang Theory in the theater room. For more info about Nerd Night, contact 637-2712.

Feb 2 -Super Bowl Parties

Whether you're a Seahawks fan or a Broncos die-hard, don't miss a single minute of the action on Super Bowl Sunday, February 2!

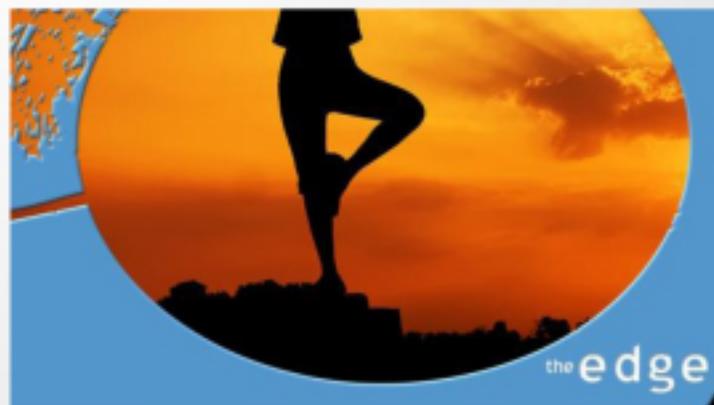
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- Feb 4-26 Youth Boxing
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CYSS Parent's Night Out

Parents, enjoy a night out and let CYSS take care of the kids on Feb 22. Registration and payment is required by Feb 19. For information, contact 633-7459.

ODR Trips

- Feb 8 Abetone Ski Trip
- Feb 15 Cimone Ski Trip
- Feb 22 Venice Carnival Trip
- Feb 22 Abetone Ski Trip

For complete list and trip info visit our website.

Benvenuti

Experience Italy, the land of culture and beauty with a 4-day Benvenuti class beginning Monday, Feb 10. Limited childcare available on a first come, first serve basis. Sign up at ACS or call 633-7084.

Valentine's Roses

Don't forget your sweetheart this Valentine's Day! Place your order by Friday, January 31 for one dozen long-stemmed roses to be delivered to you or your sweetheart on Valentine's Day. Contact a BOSS representative or Family and MWR BOSS Advisor or call 633-7438. Cost is \$55 per dozen or \$5 per rose.



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Sagra della Candelora in Verona



VENETO

Sagra della Candelora **Candlemas Fair**

La Sagra della Candelora is the traditional Catholic celebration of the presentation of the Lord at the Temple, commonly called Candlemas. It has been a very popular fest in past centuries, when candles were blessed and carried in procession to show the entry of Jesus as the light of the world. Jan. 31 to Feb. 2, in Romano D'Ezzelino, Piazzale della Chiesa, about 26 miles north of Vicenza. Jan. 31 and Feb. 1, food booths open at 7 p.m., live music and dancing at 8 p.m.; Feb. 1, 6:15 p.m., 6-kilometer nighttime Candelora Walk. Registration is €7, €5 ages 6-10, free for children under 5; Feb. 2, 2 p.m. open market and food booths; 2:30 p.m., Carnival masks parade and contest.

La Piazza dell'Amore **The Square of Love**

Feb. 2, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., in Lendinara (Rovigo), Piazza Risorgimento, about 56 miles south of Vicenza; antique and collector's items market; gift ideas; local products; entertainment for children with bounce houses; from 4 p.m., free cotton candy.

Fiera Agricola di San Biagio **Saint Biago Agricultural Fair**

Feb. 1-2, in Bovolone (Verona), Piazzale Aldo Moro, about 35 miles southwest of Vicenza; Feb. 1, 8 a.m. market opens; 11:30 a.m. grand opening with Bovolone music band and majorettes; 8 p.m. Carnival masquer-

ade ball at the Palazzetto delle Muse; Feb. 2: market and collectors' show in Via IV Novembre; 11 a.m., horses and vintage carriages parade.

EXPO' Electronics Fair

Feb. 1-2, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., in Vicenza, Via dell'Oreficeria 16. Second-hand electronics market featuring computers, software, home theater, telephony, accessories, AV equipment, musical instruments. Admission €8; click link for reduced, €6 ticket.

On stage in Padova

Performances at the Geox Theater, via Giuseppe Tassinari 1, curtain at 9:30 p.m. Get tickets online.

Feb. 14: Ravel's Bolero

Feb. 22: Momix in Alchemy

Coro e Orchestra di Vicenza seeks singers

The Chorus and Orchestra of Vicenza has openings for singers, all voices, ages 16 through adult. The repertoire is wide and includes classical, operetta, Broadway, pop, jazz and gospel styles. Their *Giovani Emozioni* group of vocalists sings a repertoire of American and Italian pop music. For details, call Debbie Ashton at 327-186-3469.

Conservatory Concert

Music of Beethoven, Feb. 1, 5 p.m., in Vicenza, Conservatory, Contrà San Domenico 33; free.

Teatro Comunale concerts in Vicenza

Upcoming performances at the *Teatro Comunale*, the City Theater, Viale Giuseppe Mazzini 6-39, include:

Feb. 3 - Violin and piano concert with Leonidas Kava-

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VENETO



Mostra Scambio Giocattoli d'Epoca

kos and Enrico Pace

Feb. 13 - BJM Les Ballet Jazz de Montréal

Feb. 20 - Ragtime, blues and more, the music of Gershwin, Brubeck, Joplin and others. Tickets are available for this performance for €15 instead of €20; €10.60 for those under 30; plus two free tickets for every 10 purchased. Call Alessandra Melison at 0444-543729 or email info@quartettovicenza.org to make arrangements. Performances are at 8:45 p.m. Get tickets at the box office or online at <http://www.tcvi.it/>

Upcoming fairs in Verona

Mostra Scambio Giocattoli d'Epoca, Vintage Toys Exhibit: Feb. 2, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; free entry.

Biennale della creatività, Italian Biennial of Creativity: Feb. 12-16, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; sections dedicated to the main artistic disciplines: painting, sculpture, graphics, photography, design, video and literature; important national and international contemporary artists will participate; free entry.

Exhibits take place in Verona, Viale del Lavoro 8.

Il Fantasma della Forma The Phantom of Form

View 30 major pieces of sculpture including work by De Chirico, Giacometti, Rodin, Renoir and Degas. Through Feb. 16 in Lonigo, Palazzo Pisani, Piazza Garibaldi; open Thursday and Friday, 3-7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 3-7:30 p.m. Entry is €5.

Di Carta/Papermade

International Paper Exhibition

Through Feb. 22 in Schio, Palazzo Fogazzaro, Via Pasini 44, about 16 miles northwest of Vicenza. Artists from

29 countries exhibit their work made exclusively with paper. Open Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; Friday, 4-7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 4-7 p.m. Free entrance.

Verso Monet Toward Monet

A major art exhibit, now showing in Verona and opening in Vicenza Feb. 22, presents an overview of the development of landscape painting from the 17th to the 20th centuries. It features more than 90 paintings from private collections and museums bearing on the treatment of nature as the main subject in art, culminating in Monet's *Water Lilies* and nature paintings of the early 20th century. Through Feb. 9 in Verona, Palazzo della Gran Guardia, Piazza Bra; Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; tickets are €15. In Vicenza, Basilica Palladiana, Feb. 22 till May 4, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Dinosauri in carne ed ossa Dinosaurs in flesh and bone

Through May 4 in Bassano del Grappa, Bonaguro Palace, Via Angarano 117, about 36 kilometers northeast of Vicenza. Full size model dinosaurs and other prehistoric animals reconstructed. Open Thursday and Friday, 3-6:30 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday and Italian holidays, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Entry is €8; €5 for under 13 and over 65; free for children under 3.

Vicenza area antique markets this weekend

Marostica: Feb. 2, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., in Piazza Castello

Noventa Vicentina: Feb. 2, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., in Piazza IV Novembre

Thiene: Feb. 1, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Piazza Chilesotti

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Home Furniture and Decoration Fair

Jan. 31 and Feb. 1, 4-10 p.m.; Feb. 2, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., in Arezzo, Exhibition Center, Via Spallanzani 23. Entry €5; click link to download €2 discount flyer.

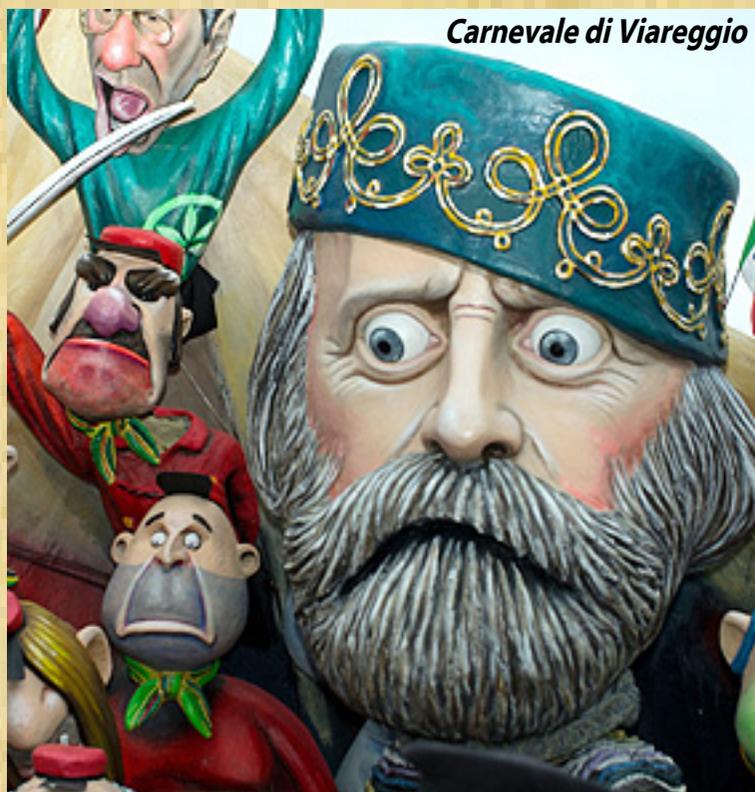
Romeo e Giulietta, Un amore da Oscar Romeo and Juliet, An Oscar Winning Love

View the romantic and tragic love story through an exhibit of more than 25 award-winning original costumes worn by actors who have played the star-crossed young lovers. Through Feb. 2, 4-8 p.m., in

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Carnevale di Viareggio

Cecina (Livorno), Exhibition Hall, Piazza Guerrazzi 32; free entry.

Verdi Theater performances

At the Verdi Theater in Pisa, Via Palestro 40

Feb. 8: Les Contes d'Hoffmann

March 7: Andrea Chénier

March 29: Pinocchio

Canevale di Viareggio

This year's Viareggio Carnival grand opening will take place Feb. 15 at 6 p.m. Float parades take place Feb. 16 and 23, and March 2, 4 and 9. Camp Darby Outdoor Recreation will lead trips to the event March 2 and 9, departing at 3 p.m. and returning at 10 p.m. If you venture on your own, entry is €15 for adults, €10 for children 11 and 12, and free for children under 10. Viareggio is about a 30-minute drive from Camp Darby. More information is available from Tours and More at 633-7589.

Andy Warhol: Una storia americana

Andy Warhol: An American Story

This weekend is the last chance to view the exhibit in Pisa, through Feb. 2 at Palazzo Blu, Lungarno Gamba-corti 9; Friday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. It features Warhol's iconic portraits of Mao, Nixon, Che Guevara and Marilyn Monroe among others and the well known silk-screens of Campbell's Soup cans, 20 rare Polaroid photos and many paintings. Entry is €10, €8 for children under 10.

Area antique markets this weekend

Carmignano (Prato): Feb. 2, 9:30 a.m. to 7p.m., Piazza Vittorio Emanuele II and Piazza Matteotti.

Cascina (Pisa): Feb. 2, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Corso Matteotti,

9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; 115 vendors

Orbetello (Grosseto): Feb. 1-2, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Corso Italia

Pietrasanta (Lucca): Feb. 2, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., in Piazza Duomo, about 50 vendors

San Miniato (Pisa): Feb. 2, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Piazza del Popolo

San Giuliano Terme (Pisa): 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Piazza Shelley and Piazza Italia

CONCERTS

Backstreet Boys - Feb. 22, 2014 in Assago (Milan)

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

Joe Bonamassa - March 8 in Milan

Band of Skulls - March 10 in Milan

James Blunt - March 18 in Assago (Milan)

Gavin DeGraw - March 19 in Milan

Skunk Anansie - March 22 in Padova

The Piano Guys - April 9 in Milan

Sensation - April 25, Casalecchio di Reno (Bologna)

Robbie Williams - May 1 in Torino

Ben Harper - May 9 in Padova, May 13 in Milan

Yes - May 17 in Padova, May 18 in Assago (Milan)

Johnny Winters - May 19 in Rome; May 20 in Udine; May 21 in Mezzago (Milan)

Lisa Stansfield - May 28 in Padova, May 29 in Bologna

Aerosmith - June 25 in Rho (Milan)

One Direction - June 28 in Milan

Tickets at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center or online.



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

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To the Editor

MFLC consultants visit VES

Department of Defense Military Family Life Consultants will host an open house in the Vicenza Elementary School parent center Friday from 9-10 a.m. The professional, licensed counselors are trained to provide short-term, non-medical services to Soldiers, spouses and children. All are welcome to attend and learn about available support services.

Civilian CAC ID changes

Beginning March 1, Army Appropriated Fund civilian employees and their family members will no longer be required to visit the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center before renewing their CAC cards, but will go directly to the ID card section. Individuals who obtain their CAC from a non-Army ID card office will still need to obtain a DD Form 1172-2 from CPAC. More information is online.

Info-X Feb. 6

The March Information Exchange town hall meeting, known as Info-X, will take place Feb. 6 at 1:30 p.m. in the Arena (second floor). The entire community is invited. You can also watch online <http://www.livestream.com/afneurope> and join the conversation on Facebook at "U.S. Army at

Community news briefs

Vicenza, Italy". If you are on the 509th Signal network on post, you can watch live at mms://vcam0131lpcs044/Pentagon_Channel

ATM replacement on Ederle

Community Bank ATMs at the Caserma Ederle Chapel Gate and Shopette will be out of service while being replaced with new machines. Work is planned to have the new ATMs operable by Feb. 10.

Virtual Career Fair

The Army Career and Alumni Program in partnership with Veteran Recruiting Services will host a Virtual Career Fair via Internet Feb. 25 from 4-6 p.m. All are welcome to register and join recruiters from dozens of leading American firms and government agencies from any location equipped with a computer and online access. The Vicenza ACAP center will be open during the fair and counselors will be on hand for assistance. Call 634-7188/7189 or 0444-71-634-7188/7189 for assistance.

National Prayer Breakfast

The Vicenza Military Community is invited to take part in the 2014 National Prayer Breakfast at the Golden Lion Conference Center Feb. 7 from 7- 8:45 a.m. U.S. Army Chief of Chaplains, Chaplain (Maj. Gen.) Donald Rutherford will speak. Uniform is ACUs,

appropriate attire for civilians. Event is free for E-5 and below, suggested donation for E-6 and above is \$2.50.

Birthing Center Town Hall

The U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza hosts a community Town Hall Feb. 6 at 3:30 p.m in the Caserma Ederle Post Theater. The community is invited.

ZIP plus four

The Postal Service Center reminds community members to always use the ZIP + 4 postal code when mailing items and to advise correspondents and merchants to include the additional four number code when mailing items to you to ensure fastest possible delivery. Click here for postal code extensions for Caserma Ederle (ZIP code 09630) and here for postal code extensions for Caserma Del Din (ZIP code 09606).

VA benefits assistance

Curious about your VA benefits? There are now two Department of Veterans Affairs benefits briefers available to assist all service members, veterans and family members with questions about the VA benefits and services they may be eligible to receive. Benefits can include education, health care, compensation, life insurance and home loans as well as other VA benefits and services. The



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briefers are in Building 113 in the ACAP hallway. Hours of service are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. To schedule an appointment call 0444-71-6694 or 634-6694, or stop by the office.

myPay statements, email update

Various earnings and tax documents, W-2s and 1099s for instance, are available now online at the myPay site:

<https://mypay.dfas.mil/mypay.aspx>

The Army is scheduled to close all retiree and family member Army Knowledge Online (AKO) accounts between Jan. 31 and March 31.

Army retirees who have AKO email addresses, which end in @us.army.mil, in their myPay accounts should add a personal, commercial email address to their myPay account as soon as possible to continue to receive notices from DFAS. Log into your myPay account and select the Email Address option to add a commercial address.

TARP briefings available

The Vicenza Military Intelligence Detachment provides Threat Awareness and Reporting Program (TARP) briefings on request. To schedule a

briefing call 634-7688 or 331-172-2142.

Soldiers' Theatre

The popular annual **Acoustic Jam 2014** with Roberto Dalla Vecchia and Friends will take the stage tonight and tomorrow at 7:30 pm. Get tickets, \$10, at 634-7281 or 0444-71-7281.

Don't miss the nightclub cabaret show **Life Upon the Wicked Stage** starring Jeanne Ragonese Feb. 7-8 at 7:30 p.m. at the Soldiers' Theatre. Tickets, \$15, include refreshments.

Adult dance classes in jazz, ballet, hip-hop begin in February with instructor Maggie Wallis. Ballet is Tuesday, noon to 1 p.m.; jazz and contemporary, Thursday, 10:30-11:30 a.m.; hip-hop, Thursday noon to 1 p.m. Cost is \$28; classes meet at the SKIESUnlimited Dance Studio, Building 308 on Caserma Ederle. Register at the theater or on Webtrac.

Private instruction is available in guitar, piano, flute and voice. Stop by or call for details.

Club Beyond Austria April 2014

Club Beyond Adventure Camp for middle schoolers will take place in Austria April 6-11. Send an email to



avolmert@clubbeyond.org to register.

Basketball championship

The USAG-Vicenza Unit-Recreational Basketball Championship will be held Feb. 7-8. Open play is under way Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Fitness Center.

Community health survey

In its continuing efforts to provide the best services possible to the VMC, the Community Health Promotion Council is seeking direct input on needs and issues that demand improvement or are great as they are. What's on your mind? Is it education, services or crime? Your opinion is important. The CHP Council urges you to complete a short online survey conveying your concerns; it takes about 10-15 minutes to complete.

At the movies



Grudge Match

Henry "Razor" Sharp (Sylvester Stallone) and Billy "The Kid" McDonnen (Robert De Niro) play two boxers who faced off 30 years ago, in life as well as in the ring. When a promoter offers him the chance to fight his old rival once again, Razor resists but finds he has no choice but to get back in the ring with The Kid.

Ederle Theater

Jan. 31	7 p.m.	47 Ronin (PG-13)
	10 p.m.	Grudge Match (PG-13)
Feb. 1	3 p.m.	Walking with Dinosaurs (PG)
	6 p.m.	47 Ronin (PG-13)
Feb. 2	3 p.m.	Walking with Dinosaurs (PG)
	6 p.m.	Grudge Match (PG-13)
Feb. 5	11 a.m.	47 Ronin (PG-13)
	7 p.m.	Walking with Dinosaurs (PG)
Feb. 6	7 p.m.	47 Ronin (PG-13)
Feb. 7	7 p.m.	Labor Day (PG-13) *
	10 p.m.	Lone Survivor (R)
Feb. 8	3 p.m.	Frozen (PG)
	6 p.m.	Labor Day (PG-13) *
Feb. 9	3 p.m.	Frozen (PG)
	6 p.m.	Lone Survivor (R)

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

Outlook Religious Activities

Chaplain Crisis Line

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

Vicenza

Sunday services

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

11 a.m.: Protestant worship

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

5 p.m.: Contemporary Christian service

Tuesday

9 a.m.: Protestant Women of the Chapel

5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice

6 p.m.: PMOC and PWOC Bible study. Dinner provided; no watch care

Wednesday

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 p.m. at the Spiritual Fitness Center. Sunday services, 9:30 a.m. in Vicenza. Call 634-7897, 380-431-7633 or email lescall@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

The Outlook Religious Activities page provides announcements and may offer perspectives to enhance spiritual or religious resiliency in support of Army Comprehensive Fitness programs. Comments regarding specific beliefs, practices or behaviors are strictly those of the author and do not convey endorsement by the U.S. government, the Department of Defense, the Army, Installation Management Command or the U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza.

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