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## On the cover

Staff Sgt. Joshua Livingston (front), a paratrooper with 4th Battalion, 319th Airborne Field Artillery Regiment, 173rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Airborne), conducts a training jump during an airborne operation at the 7th Army Joint Multinational Training Command's Grafenwoehr Training Area, Germany, Feb. 20. See page 6 for the story.

Photo by Gertrud Zach

# A ready and modern Army

By Lt. Gen. Donald M. Campbell Jr.

## Hello USAREUR Team,

As I continue to highlight the Chief of Staff of the Army's strategic priorities, I want to focus on the readiness and modernization of our Army and how U.S. Army Europe supports both.

Both the Army and USAREUR are in a time of transformation, seeking to reach our authorized end strength to meet the needs of the nation. As we transform, we must build readiness and continue modernization for the future.

Here in USAREUR we have an exceptional opportunity to meet the CSA's challenge of conducting tough, realistic, multi-echelon home station training utilizing our live, virtual and constructive capabilities to efficiently and effectively assure individual, leader and unit competencies.

Along with the forward presence of our maneuver and logistical support forces and our day-to-day relationships with allied and partner nations, our robust exercise program and use of the outstanding capabilities provided by the Joint Multinational Training Command, enables us to conduct

realistic and innovative training and exercises that challenge us to improve our combined arms maneuver and wide area security capabilities, which play a key role in our readiness.

USAREUR is also well suited to make the best use of current and emerging technologies. Our brigade combat teams are fully modernized and are incorporating the latest force structure changes such as the activation of engineer elements in the 173rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Airborne). Our ability to structure training events that include our joint and multinational partners provides an excellent opportunity for us to be both responsive to multiple combatant command requirements, while being adaptive to the wide range of contingencies posed by an increasingly complex security environment.

The USAREUR Team is ready, today and always, to face the challenges of an increasingly complex world. I am confident that we are not only meeting the CSA's challenges, but leading the way with our agile, ready and modern force.

**Strong Soldiers, Strong Teams!**

# Speak Out

*What do you recommend as a healthy meal during National Nutrition Month?*



**Tai Cunningham**  
Family member

*"Salmon, salad, whole grain rice and steamed broccoli."*



**Sgt. Joseph Lanyon**

Company A, 2nd-503rd Infantry (Airborne)

*"I would consider a healthy meal baked chicken with brown rice and steamed vegetables."*



**Beth Thrasher**  
Family member

*"I'd recommend low fat protein, like grilled chicken with lots of fresh veggies."*

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# Garrison racks up journalism awards

By USAG Vicenza PAO

The USAG Vicenza Public Affairs Office was recognized with 11 awards for excellence in the annual Maj. Gen. Keith L. Ware Army Journalism competition, which announced a first round of results Feb. 28. Entries were judged for technical expertise in accordance with the objectives of the Department of the Army's internal information program.

In Installation Management Command competition, the **USAG Vicenza Public Affairs Office team** took first place in the Special Event (Overseas) category for its part in the organization and execution of the Caserma Del Din opening and related community relations and media efforts. The submission will advance to the Department of Army round of competition.

Individual staff members were recognized as well for their contributions to the USAG Vicenza command information publication, the Outlook.

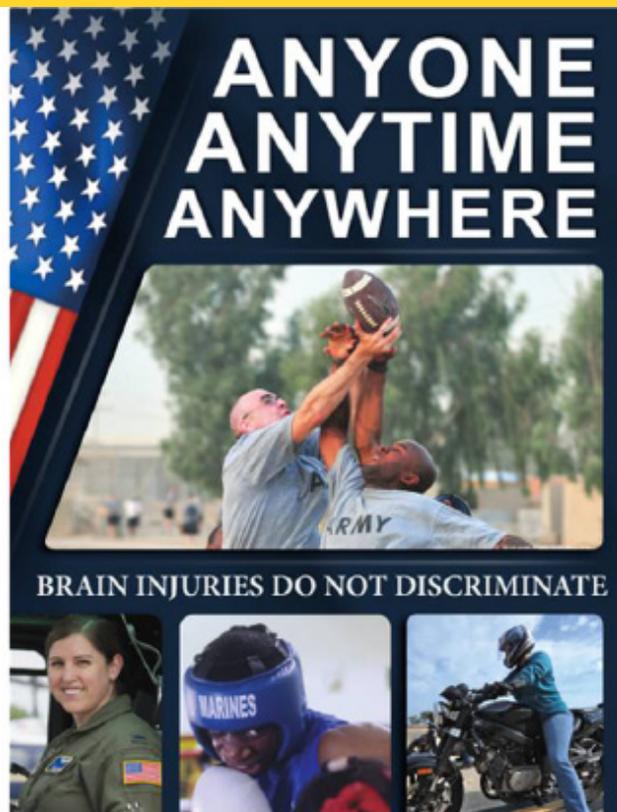
**Public Affairs Officer Grant Sattler** received first-place honors in the Feature Photo (Overseas) category for his standalone photo of a Cub Scout and Webelos pinewood derby, "Look at that thing go!" His submission will advance as well to the Department of Army round.

Darby Military Community **Public Affairs specialist Chiara Mattiolo** took second-place awards in the News Article (Overseas) and Photojournalism (Overseas) categories for her coverage of drinking water system disruptions and repair, and Italian-American Leadership Reaction Course activities at Camp Darby. Mattiolo also garnered third-place recognition in the News Photo (Overseas) category for her photograph of the DMC's 9/11 commemoration.

**Outlook photojournalist Laura Kreider** was recognized with a second-place award in the News Photo (Overseas) and a third-place honor in the Feature Photo (Overseas) categories for her photographs of the Vicenza High School Cougars basketball team and the Lumineers concert on Caserma Ederle, respectively.

In the U.S. Army Europe Public Affairs branch of the competition, **Outlook editor, David Ruderman**, was recognized with first-place honors in the Photojournalism, Commentary and Moss Holland Civilian Journalist of the Year categories, based on his coverage of VHS and Liceo Quadri school exchanges, his 9/11 observance commentary and a variety of other writing and photography efforts. He also received a second-place award in the News category for his coverage of the garrison's outreach to Italian entrepreneurs. Ruderman's first-place winning submissions will represent USAREUR in the Department of Army round of competition.

Judging at the Army level and an announcement of winners are expected later this month.



Brain Injury Awareness Week  
March 10-16, 2014

Join us for a panel discussion with Soldiers affected by TBI followed by a Q & A session with the TBI experts  
**WHEN/WHERE:** 3-4:30 p.m.  
Monday, March 10 Post Theater, Caserma Ederle  
Thursday, March 13 Multi-Purpose Facility, Del Din

## Get ready for Terra Nova

Terra Nova tests March 10-14

Vicenza Middle School students in grades 6-8 will take the annual CTBS Terra Nova Achievement Tests each morning next week. Parents are urged to ensure that their participating children enjoy a good night's sleep each night and eat a healthy breakfast before departing for school. Please do not plan family trips or medical appointments during the morning hours of test week. Call 634-5706 for information.

# Outlook

The Outlook seeks submissions.  
Email content for consideration  
by noon Friday of the week before  
publication to the link below.

**Email the Editor**

# Recognize brain injury prevention, symptoms

By Dr. Catherine Frantom

Dept. of Behavioral Health, USAHC

March is Brain Injury Awareness month, an opportune time to provide community information about brain injury and the services available to individuals in need.

Anyone can sustain a brain injury and everyone can benefit from learning how to prevent it and how to recognize the signs and symptoms when injury occurs.

What is Traumatic Brain Injury? Traumatic brain injury (TBI) can be defined as a disruption in brain function caused by a blow, bump, jolt or other injury to the head. No two brain injuries are alike. Treatment and outcome depend on many factors including individual differences and the nature of the injury.

TBIs are classified as either penetrating, as from a bullet, or closed, in cases where no brain penetration occurs. The severity level - mild, moderate or severe - is determined by initial injury criteria such as duration of lost consciousness and post traumatic amnesia. Force of impact does not always equate to injury severity because there are mediating variables that affect the relationship between the two.

Brain injury in general, however, may result in a wide variety of symptoms involving cognitive changes, sensory and perception deficits, headaches and/or emotional changes. Because of the variables in both recovery and outcome, treatment can be maximized through a multi-disciplinary team approach.

Concussion or TBI? Any level of traumatic injury can be sustained downrange as well as in normal daily life, but concussions are the type of injury most frequently encountered at the TBI clinic. Concussion can be thought of as a subset of milder brain injury. According to the American Academy of Neurology, it is a trauma-induced alteration in mental status that may or may not involve loss of consciousness.

The outcomes of concussion and mild

TBI overlap strongly; however, a concussion is a physiological injury to the brain that briefly shuts down function, while TBI is a physical-structural injury with a different outcome. The vast majority of concussions do not have positive neuroimaging abnormalities associated with them.

Concussions may occur as a consequence of IED explosions or other events downrange, but can as often occur in non-deployment situations such as car accidents, sports injuries or hard landings from parachute jumps. Hallmarks of concussion include confusion and loss of memory of the traumatic event and, frequently, an inability to recall details immediately before or after the event.

## Other symptoms may follow

Other signs and symptoms may follow immediately or evolve gradually over minutes and hours. Those most commonly encountered include headache, dizziness, imbalance, cognitive difficulties and nausea. Over the next hours and days, the injured person may complain of mood and cognitive disturbances, light and noise sensitivities and sleep disruption.

Fortunately, symptoms of concussion generally resolve within hours or days after a brief period of rest. More enduring difficulties are rare and occur in only a small percentage of cases

for a variety of neurological or non-neurological reasons. Early and serial monitoring and treatment of symptoms appears to result in substantial improvement in the vast majority of concussed patients and may reduce long-term problems.

Parents, too, need to be aware of how a head injury may affect their children. While head trauma resulting from play and sporting events is a common concern, few bumps on the head of this nature result in serious injury. Nonetheless, it is always a good idea for children to see a doctor even if emergency care is not required, especially if there is loss of consciousness, confusion or disorientation, or signs of functional changes at any time following an injury.

The multidisciplinary TBI team at U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza is available to educate, evaluate and guide individuals and families through treatment and recovery following mild to moderate range TBI. Education is the key to prevention and recovery. For individuals with concussion, reassurance and a brief period of rest will enable return to normal routines. Complete recovery is the norm.

Call the USAHC Vicenza Department of Behavioral Health at 636-9000 or 0444-71-9000 with questions or concerns.

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# U.S., Polish paratroopers jump together at Graf

## Soldiers find common ground, share critical thinking at training

By Sgt. A.M. LaVey

173rd IBCT (Airborne) PAO

**KRAKOW, Poland** — Paratroopers from the American 173rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Airborne) and the Polish army's 6th Airborne Brigade honed their skills together during an airborne operational planning workshop Feb. 19-20.

The soldiers shared doctrine, terminology and procedures that go into planning air and land portions of the brigade's forced-entry capabilities, and best practices required in preparing for airborne operations: military intelligence, surveillance, target acquisition and reconnaissance methods.

"Such training is important. In the current environment it is almost inconceivable that our forces would be employed without the aid of allied partners," said Maj. Jeremy Hartung, the 173rd's brigade intelligence officer. "Understanding each other's capabilities and limitations will help us be better planners and executors in any future coalition operations."

The 173rd Airborne is U.S. Army Europe's Contingency Response Force, capable of projecting forces to conduct the full of range of military operations across the European, Central and African Command areas of responsibility.

### Roots in Operation Market Garden

The 6th Brigade is a spiritual descendent of the Polish 1st Independent Parachute Brigade through its named patron, Polish army Maj. Gen. Stanislaw Sosabowski, who commanded the 1st during Operation Market Garden, a World War II airborne operation that brought together more than 41,000 allied paratroopers from Poland, the United Kingdom and the U.S. to secure bridges in the Netherlands in the fight against Nazi Germany. During their February engagement, the two partners shared operational planning methods and learned from each other.

"Being a similar organization, an airborne brigade, the Polish unit encounters many of the same training and operational challenges that confront the 173rd," said Hartung.

"But given their different frame of reference they have come up with solutions to these problems that likely would never have even occurred to American paratroopers."

Some of 6th's unique capabilities include an organic free-fall parachute unit and the ability to tandem parachute a non-airborne qualified specialist into an operation.

"This workshop sparked a kind of critical thinking about the way we do business," said Hartung. "That spark can sometimes be difficult to achieve without leaving your home base and your customary ways of doing things."

The two joint forces have met and trained together before, building relations since the 173rd's reactivation as the Army's strategic response unit in Europe.

"Walking around headquarters you'll see many shared pic-



Photo by Markus Rauchenberger

Lt. Col. Kyle Reed (right), Commander, 1st Squadron, 91st Cavalry Regiment, 173rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Airborne), checks a Polish 6th Airborne Brigade paratrooper's equipment before an airborne operation at Grafenwoehr, Germany, Feb. 20.

tures and mementos between the 6th Brigade and us," said Maj. John Merkel, 173rd's brigade aviation officer and head of its military-to-military engagement program.

"We share a close proximity geographically," said Maj. Nathan Williams, operations officer for the 173rd's Grafenwoehr, Germany-based 1st Squadron, 91st Cavalry Regiment. "The fact that we are so close to them makes it a very beneficial and conducive relationship, one that we can sustain over a long period of time."

On day two of the workshop the units conducted a partnership jump into the 7th Army Joint Multinational Training Command's Grafenwoehr Training Area.

"One of the things that we want to do is to forge a continued relationship, so we offered up a partnered jump in order to set the stage for the ongoing partnership that we plan to continue," said Williams. "We share a similar history and a similar culture, as far as being in the airborne, so it's important that we learn from one another, and we do that by doing events together like this."

The 6th Brigade was excited to train with the 173rd, said Polish army Capt. Marcin Gil, the brigade's spokesman. "We have a previous history many years ago and we look forward to more events in the future."

The two brigades have multiple future partnership trainings scheduled for later this year, including a second workshop with Polish army parachute riggers and airborne planners in Italy, joint live-fire training, a reconnaissance troop competition and allied airfield seizure operations in Poland.

"This small workshop has wider implications and is a kind of a stepping stone," said Williams. "We are strengthening the lines of communication between our two units and it will allow us to develop the relationships needed to do larger operations and training events in the future."



Photo by Markus Rauchenberger

A Polish 6th Airborne Brigade paratrooper walks off the drop zone Feb. 20 after jumping with the 173rd IBCT (Airborne) at the Grafenwoehr Training Area.

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# 464th MPs conduct FTX training at Longare

Story and photo by  
Capt. Michael Fanell  
464th MP Platoon



Soldiers from 3rd Squad, 464th Military Police Platoon, conducted a field training exercise with squad lanes Feb. 25 at Longare.

The Spartans received their OPORD and rehearsed the day before, then executed their multiple missions, which included a tactical ruck march on a mountain, a squad attack on a radar station, setting up and conducting a traffic control point, destroying an enemy station to establish a mountaintop observation post, assault squad action as if undertaking a platoon attack, movement to contact and reaction to ambush.

It was the first time several squad members had participated in an FTX since their initial Advanced Individual Training, as the platoon had been focused on law and order missions while in garrison. The MPs maneuvered proficiently and accomplished all their missions while incurring no or minimal casualties from opposing forces, and action reviews revealed them to be better familiarized with combat missions and full spectrum MP operations.

Resources provided by USAG Vicenza Garrison contributed to the Spartans preparation for decisive action and integration of theater support cooperation per the 18th MP Brigade and 21st Theater Support Command.



Photo by Spc. Glenn Anderson

## In MacArthur's footsteps

Capt. Jonathan Nielsen (center), Commander, Company B, 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry, 173rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Airborne), poses for a photo at the U.S. Army Europe-level Gen. Douglas MacArthur Leadership Awards ceremony in Wiesbaden, Germany, Feb. 20. Nielsen's nomination moves forward to the Army level of the annual competition at which 25 officers and three warrant officers from the active Army, Army National Guard and Army Reserve will receive recognition with the prestigious award. "I am happy to be honored with this award," said Nielsen. "I am also honored to be here representing the 173rd, USAREUR and our team."

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**March 10-28**

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## Mask Making Awareness Event

Marking Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Awareness Week, the Arts & Crafts Center presents a mask making event for teens and adults in our community.

- Even if you are not personally affected by TBI, it needs to be acknowledged and addressed.
- The masks we sometimes wear can hide who we really are and the non-visual injuries we may have.
- We can all assist in bringing more awareness to TBI and local resources our community has to offer.
- No prior art experience is needed, just stop in to have fun and create a personalized unique mask.

**Date: Wednesday, March 12**  
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**Cost: Free**  
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# The Swerve presents history in unexpected forms

## VHS project brings out critical thinking, creativity

Story and photos by Laura Kreider  
USAG Vicenza PAO

Visitors to Vicenza High School last week were bound to see startling and unique works of art on display, in addition to the colorful drawings and banners that typically cover the hallway walls.

Following the trail would lead the curious to the VHS Honors 10 World History class, where a wealth of two-dimensional creations demonstrated a tangible outcome of this year's project to show how history and time are intertwined.

"We have just completed a project called *The Swerve*," said Lisa Balboni, Honors 10 World History teacher.

"*The Swerve* is the name of a book by Phillip Rosenblatt. It talks about how history is a swerve, which is defined as an unexpected, unexplained movement of matter, much like history. This year's projects by the students truly defined the swerve because I was shocked and overwhelmed by the student presentations and enthusiasm for this project," she said.

### Completely visual project

The undertaking was a completely visual project, executed by students working in pairs. It started with the Dark Ages and ended with the French Revolution, analyzing political, economic and social change from the 16th to the 18th centuries.

"When my teacher first told us of the swerve it sounded complicated and confusing, but once I got into it the project seemed more interesting," said 10th-grader Aerial Rouse. "I learned so much about each time period and saw how history is linked."

About 30 students were involved in the project, said Balboni.

"This is the first year that the students did *The Swerve*. The past years, the students did a project called *The Weave*," she said.



VHS student Martin Rosenfeld makes a point while viewing an Honors World History visual presentation of the flow of history through time at the school Feb. 26.

Balboni likened the concept of the Weave as comparing history to the structure of a Triscuit cracker, its wheat intricately woven in strands to create a whole. "History is very much like that," she said.

Students used different creative ideas to show how history flows through time, and it is not isolated in any set movement. Ideas ranged from flowing water to dominoes falling over, to lava flowing down a volcano.

"For our *Swerve* project my partner Jackson Lucas decided to use dominos to show how events throughout history are all connected and affect each other," said John Salo, Lucas' teammate, who spent some five hours on their swerve project.

Emma Knapp and Martin Rosenfeld also invested considerable time in their project, which they titled "The River of Time."

*The Swerve* project required critical thinking and creativity to come

to grips with such a complex and evanescent subject, said Knapp.

"The concept was abstract and messy, which truly represents history. Everyone thought of a concept to represent the flow of history from the Dark Ages to the Romantic Period. Overall, this great project led everyone to produce remarkable projects, ideas and thoughts," she said.

Helen Houghton and Alyssa Williams, also 10th-graders, created a big wave to represent how events flow together.

"We used a wave as our metaphor. We had waves crashing on violent parts and lines connecting all the events. My partner, Helen, and I worked very hard on our project, and overall I am very happy with it. And I learned a lot," said Williams.

Each Swerve was unique, said participant Jarrod Keck.

"One part of the project that I especially enjoyed was the 3-D element, which meant I could build, in my case, a windmill. This project was unlike any I had ever done before because it required more



Students react to the thought provoking projects of VHS teacher Lisa Balboni's Honors World History class, the Swerve, on display in the school's hallways.

thinking, ingenuity and artistic ability than I had ever had to use for a project before," he said.

The Swerve was successful in teaching students how historical events tie into one another, like an unexpected movement of matter, said Balboni.

"These were the best projects I have had in the past three years. I am extremely proud of my students, and the effort they put forth is like nothing I have ever seen. They outdid themselves, and they outdid me," she said.

## JOIN THE FUN!

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# March

**Fit EDGE! Go with the Flow Yoga**  
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 1800 Annex Building, 200 (behind Arts & Crafts Center)  
 Learn meditation, relaxation, breathing exercises and poses at Flow Yoga for beginners.  
 Cost: \$30 | Enrollment starts February 10

**Fit EDGE! Youth Boxing Training & Conditioning Program**  
 March 9-26, 4:30-6 p.m. (Tuesdays & Wednesdays)  
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 Cost: \$30 | Enrollment starts February 10

**Fit EDGE! Jr. Lifeguard**  
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 Get your feet wet and learn basic lifeguard skills. This is the gateway to an excellent future (and/or employment) opportunity!  
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**Life EDGE! Garage Auto Mechanics**  
 March 9-27, 9:00-9 p.m. (Thursdays)  
 Arts & Crafts Center  
 Learn auto basics, engine & electrical systems, computerized controls & diagnose problems from the professionals.  
 Cost: \$30 | Enrollment starts February 10

**Life EDGE! Mosaics Gone Mad**  
 March 7-26, 3:30-5 p.m. (Fridays)  
 Arts & Crafts Center  
 Bring your imagination and learn the basics of glass mosaics to make beautiful glass mosaic pieces.  
 Cost: \$30 | Enrollment starts February 10

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Photos by Amy Drummond

## Darby vs. Vicenza

*The Darby youth basketball Bantam and Junior teams played their final home games of the season March 1 at the Camp Darby gym. The Darby Spartans played hard, but were unable to defeat their visiting Vicenza opponents. The Spartans Bantam team played a double header against the Vicenza Cougars and the Vicenza Dragons bantam teams, with the Cougars and Dragons taking home 26-4 and 30-0 winning scores respectively. In addition, Darby's Junior Spartans gave the Vicenza Black Mambas a run for their money, but took the loss 42-20.*

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The Leaning Tower of Pisa is one of the most remarkable architectural structures from medieval Europe. Climb & walk along the ancient wall of Lucca to visit the city from a bird's eye view!

**Venice** April 8 | 5 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Built on 117 small islands, Venice has over 150 canals and more than 400 bridges! You won't see them all during this day trip, but you can have fun trying!

**Cinque Terre** April 9 | 8 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Cinque Terre is a remote piece of the Italian Riviera consisting of 5 villages connected by trails that hug the coastline. Hike between the villages or sit back with a glass of wine.

**Rome** April 10 | 5 a.m. - 10 p.m.

Come and enjoy a visit to this ancient city. Tour the famous Coliseum, walk through the art and history of the Vatican or even walk amidst the ruins of the ancient Roman Forum.

**Wine Tasting** April 11 | 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Take a guided tour of the villa and wine cellars where you can appreciate the region's finest wines and olive oil.

For more information or to register, contact Outdoor Recreation at DSN (314)633-7775/7589 | CIV +39 050-54-7775/7589

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# Leprechaun Scavenger Hunt

Learn about the legend of the Leprechaun!



**March 12**

3:30-4:30 p.m.

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Ages: 3-11 Years



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## CYSS Youth Center's Spring Break Trip 2014

PARIS - PARIS - PARIS

### April 6 - 11

Sign up between March 10 - 13\* | Grades 8-12  
Sign up at Parent Central Services or on Webtrac

### Paris, France

Sun, April 6: Depart @ 10 p.m.  
Mon, April 7: Paris Sightseeing  
Tue, April 8: Paris Sightseeing  
Wed, April 9: Disneyland Paris  
Thur, April 10: Kaiserslautern (Shopping!)  
Fri, April 11: Return @ 8 a.m.

## \$200

Includes accommodation, food and transportation.  
Min/Max Participants: 10-24  
Transportation: Contract Bus

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\* Due to high demand, a lottery system will be used to select youth for trip:  
March 10-13: Open enrollment for Lottery | March 14: Lottery drawing.  
The first 24 youth selected go on trip. Others on standby in case of cancellations.

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# A Taste of Country

Every Thursday  
at the Warrior Zone!  
5 - 10 p.m.

Country music all night

BBQ food special

Dart tournament 7-9 p.m.

Duck Dynasty in the movie room

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# Knight retires after more than 33 years of service

Story and photos by Chiara Mattiolo

Darby Military Community PAO

The men and women of the 731st Munitions Squadron, Aviano Air Base and the Darby Military Community joined together March 5 at the Darby Community Club to celebrate Chief Master Sgt. David Knight's retirement after more than 33 years of honorable and faithful service to the U.S. Air Force.

The ceremony was led by Col. Christopher Graves, Commander, 31st Munitions Squadron, Aviano Air Base.

"My memories of Chief Knight go back almost 20 year, when we were promoted to tech sergeant in the same cycle in 1996. Knight made a lasting impression of excellence and dedication on me and I've remembered him," said Graves in remarks to the audience.

"The summer of 2012 I got a knock on my office door in Aviano , and it's Chief Knight," he said.

Knight was the squadron superintendent assigned to the 731st Munitions Squadron, serving as the primary adviser to the squadron commander on matters concerning maintenance and training for the Airmen who maintain a munitions stockpile co-located in Italy, Spain and Israel.

Graves remembered Knight as an Airman who has taught ammo chiefs and contributed to building the future of the Air Force. He described his comrade of many years as being always technically, physically and mentally ready to accomplish the mission, always exhibiting a professional behavior, military bearing and high standards.

"Chief Knight dedicated hundreds and hundreds of hours to making his base and community a better place to work and live," Graves said. "Chief truly has left his mark on the Air Force; his work has made the Air Force a better place and has built a foundation for others to continue to build upon."

In his final assignment Knight mentored more than 150 Airmen on leadership, standards, discipline and personal appearance while operating within a joint environment.

"I wish you all the best, wherever the future may take you," said Graves.

The ceremony concluded and throngs of well-wishers lingered say farewell during a reception at the Community Club.



A multi-service color guard stands ready for duty at the retirement ceremony for Chief Master Sgt. David Knight, held at the Darby Community Club March 5. Knight (inset, right) and Col. Christopher Graves examine the retiring Air Force chief's award certificate during the ceremony.

# Speak Out

What do you recommend as a healthy meal during National Nutrition Month?



**Andria Ryan**  
Family member

*"Fish, salad and water . . . and maybe dessert."*



**Sgt. 1st Class Kevin Hamilton**  
839th Transportation Battalion

*"Chicken breast, mixed vegetables and sweet potatoes – a protein, a vegetable and a carbohydrate."*



**Arturo Bazzocchi**  
Darby Military Community IMO

*"Chicken salad."*

## "Festa della donna"

5 KM Ladies Day Run/Walk  
(but men are welcome too)

8 March 2014  
Start: 0900



Cost: \$5.00  
North 40 Track



Registration: 0800-0845  
(participants get a mimosa branch)

Sponsored by the Vicenza Sergeants Major Association



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# Family and MWR

## Vicenza Military Community



### St. Patrick's Day Scavenger Hunt

Get in the spirit of St. Patrick's Day by making a Leprechaun hat and going on a scavenger hunt throughout the library. For ages 3-11 on March 12, 3:30-4:30 p.m. Call 634-7291 to register.

### Rocking St. Patrick's Party

Start celebrating St. Patrick's Day early with three live bands at the Lion's Den on March 13. Enjoy "Green Beer" and Guinness on tap! Those dressed in green receive a special novelty gift!

#### Event Schedule:

9:30-10:15 p.m. Two Timers - KISS Acoustic Duo  
10:30-11:15 p.m. Big Wrong - SCORPIONS Tribute Band  
11:30 p.m.-1 a.m. Danger Zone - Hard Rock

### St. Patrick's Day at the Warrior Zone

Get your green on at the Warrior Zone. Craving some shepherd's pie or hearty stew? The Warrior Zone will offer some traditional Irish fare and you can wash it all down with a green pint and perhaps win a pot of gold.

#### Events:

5-9 p.m. Irish food specials  
8 p.m. Gangs of New York in the Movie Room  
10 p.m. Weighing the pot of gold. Customers need to be present to win.

### ODR Trips

- Mar 15 Kronplatz Ski and Snowboard Trip
  - Mar 16 Regional Cooking: Liguria
  - Mar 17 Maserati and Ducati Tour
- Register on WebTrac or at ODR. Call 634-7453 for information or visit our website.

### CYSS Annual Registration

Using CYSS services requires annual registration for each child. All children in a Family are registered on the same date. Beginning March 3, 2014, we will schedule appointments for all registrations and annual re-registrations. Please call Parent Central Services at 634 7219 or 7206 or stop by the office to schedule an appointment if you need to register initially for CYSS or renew your annual registration because it is expiring within 30 days.

### "Sweet Charity" Broadway Musical

This retro 60's/70's musical opens at Soldiers' Theatre on March 14 through March 30. Incredible dance numbers, familiar show tunes, hip and mod costumes and pure hysterical job combine to make this a sure-fire musical comedy hit. Show times are Friday and Saturday 7:30 p.m. and Sundays 2 p.m. Call 634-7281 for reservations. Sponsored by the Vicenza Community Club.



Register using MWR Online Services for:

**Vicenza Trip & Classes**

**Vicenza CYSS Activities**

**Vicenza Facebook Page**





## Darby Military Community



### Darby Invitational Volleyball Tournament

On March 28, community-level teams from all over Europe are invited to compete in this invitation tournament. We'll be playing using the USAV rules and participants will receive a t-shirt.

Awards for

- 1st & 2nd place team
- Men's and Women's MVP

Space is limited to the first 5 men's and first 5 women's teams, so register early!

Entry fee is \$150. Call 633-7438 to register.

### ODR Trips

- Mar 8 Livorno Aquarium Trip
- Mar 9 Viareggio Carnival Trip
- Mar 15 Darby Sesto Fiorentino Market
- Mar 22 Abetone Ski Trip
- Mar 22 Wine Tasting

Register on WebTrac or at ODR. Call 633-7589 for information or visit our website.

### Darby Parent's Night Out

Mar. 22, 5:45 p.m. - 11 p.m. is Parent's Night Out. Parents just register your children and leave the childcare to us. Child care will be provided and a light snack will be served.

Full payment for reservations is required when you register. Reservations accepted no later than by the close of business on the Wednesday prior. No telephonic reservations accepted.

### Kick Back Night

March 22 is a special Kick Back Night where you see how you stand up against the "Red Suit Attack". This is a self defense class using a "Red Suit Attack" method. Simulating a real life attack, this class gives youth the chance to see what it feels like to be "attacked". Sign up before MAR 19 at the Youth Center or on WebTrac.

### CYSS Youth Baseball Clinic

CYS Services is offering free baseball clinics in 3 afternoon sessions beginning March 20, to help your youth jump-start their season. For youth ages 9-15 years. For info, contact Parent Central Services or visit our website.



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**Darby Trip & Classes**

**Darby CYSS Activities**



**Darby Facebook Page**



## ***La festa della Donna*** **International Women's Day**

March 8 is International Women's Day, known in Italian as *La Festa della Donna*. In Italy it is a day on which men give bunches of mimosa with their bright yellow and fragrant flowers to the women in their lives. Authorities don't agree on how or why, but the custom started in Italy, some say in Rome, in 1946. Women have since begun to give mimosa to each other; the flowers are a sign of respect for, and an expression of solidarity and support to, oppressed women worldwide. Today, women enjoy having lunch or dinner together in restaurants or pizzerias before going out together to discos or clubs where special shows are organized. The dinner usually ends with a so-called mimosa cake.

## ***2° Gusto Italiano*** **Second Italian Taste**

March 9, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., in Badia Polesine (Rovigo), about 43 miles south of Vicenza; craft, flower and plant market, herbal products, specialty food, and wine, from all over Italy; entertainment and bounce houses; downtown stores will be open all day.

## ***Olio Capitale*** **Top Quality Extra-Virgin Olive Oil Expo:**

March 7-9, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., March 10, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; in Trieste, Molo dei Bersaglieri 3, about 120 miles east of Vicenza. Stop at the "Oil Bar" to taste the best extra-virgin olive oil with regional experts; tasting sessions especially designed for English speakers and cooking tips for everyone. Admission is €6. Pre-register online and get a reduced (€4) ticket at <http://www.oliocapitale.it/eng/register.html>

## ***41° Marcia delle Primule***

### **41st Primrose walk**

March 9, in Schio, about 16 miles northwest of Vicenza; 4-, 6-, 13- and 22-km non-competitive walks; depart Via S. Leonzo 14 between 8-9 a.m.; cost is €2.50.

## ***Festa di San Giuseppe e della Quaglia allo Spiedo***

### **St. Joseph Festival and Spit-Roasted Quail Fair**

March 14-16, in Villaganzerla, about 9 miles south of Vicenza; carnival rides, fair trade market, crafts show, painting and photo exhibits featuring spit-roasted quail and other local specialties; International Ballet and Show Contest at 7:30 p.m. on March 14 and at 3:30 p.m. on March 15; March 16, at 12:30 p.m., lunch in support of the Blood Donors Association; 8 p.m., live music and dancing.

## ***Irlanda in Festa***

### **Irish Fest**

March 12-17 in Padova, Geox Theatre, Via Tassinari 1, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza; typical Irish cuisine and beer; live Celtic music and Irish dancing, plus kick boxing; free entry to all concerts and events. Go online for the complete program:

<http://www.granteatrogeox.com/irlanda-in-festa-padova/>

## **StraVicenza Marathon**

Annual StraVicenza 2-, 4.5- and 10-km. runs to be held Sunday, March 16, at 10 a.m. Start and finish at Campo Marzo across the Vicenza main train station. Register at StraVicenza Point, Loggia del Capitaniato, in Piazza dei Signori, March 14, 4-8 p.m., March 15, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3:30-8 p.m., and at Campo Marzo day of the event from 7:45-9:45 a.m. Registration is €4, €2 for children under 14; includes bib number, snack and medical coverage; bag storage service is available for €1. March 16 is a no-driving day in Vicenza so participants should park their vehicles at the Stadio, Via Cricoli or Via Farini parking lots and take a bus to the city center; parking is free at those lots beginning at 7:30 a.m. From Caserma Ederle, take bus #1 or bus #7 from Viale della Pace to the station, or Stazione. Find information in Italian online at [www.stravicenza.it](http://www.stravicenza.it)

## ***Artigianato Artistico e Alimentare***

### **Vicentine Art, Crafts and Food Specialties**

Local art, crafts and food specialties, through June 8, Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. in Vicenza, Piazza delle Erbe 13.

## **Last chance for Carnevale!**

### **March 9**

**Jesolo**, float parade departs from Piazza Aurora at 2:30 p.m.; 30 allegorical floats and more than 2,000 people are expected to participate in the parade this year.

**Presina**, Piazzola sul Brenta (Padova), about 16 miles east of Vicenza; night parade with 30 allegorical floats and more than 1500 participants; in case of inclement

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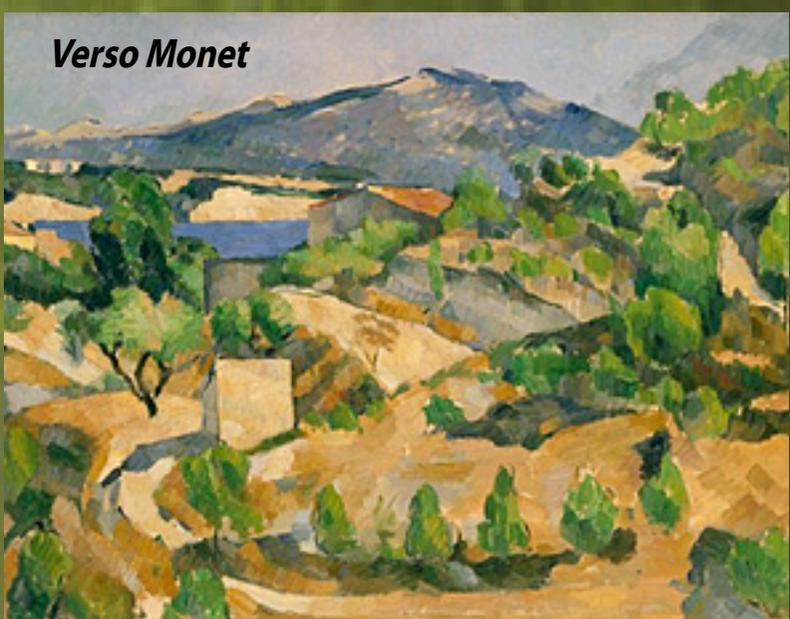
weather, the parade will take place on March 15.

### Fairs in Verona, Viale del Lavoro 8

**Elettroexpo** - March 8, 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; March 9, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; market – show for electronics, electrotechnics, information technology, and office ware. Ticket: €15. Reduced: €12 for children between 13 and 16. Free entrance for children younger than 13; the ticket is valid also to visit the Model Expo Fair.

**Scale model making expo** - March 8, 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; March 9, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; miniature trains, planes, trucks, cars, historical models and kites; hands-on workshops. Ticket: €15. Reduced: €12 for children between 13 and 16. Free entrance for children younger than 13; the ticket is valid also to visit the Elettroexpo Fair.

### Verso Monet



### Verso Monet Toward Monet

Ongoing through May 4, Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday - Sunday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., in Vicenza, Basilica Palladiana, Piazza dei Signori. A major art exhibit, presents 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; tickets are €13; reduced €10, for students and senior citizens above 65; €7 for children (aged 6-17); buy your ticket on line at <http://www.lineadombra.it>; free for children under 5.

### 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.

### 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. Call Debbie Ashton at 327-186-3469.

### Teatro Comunale concerts in Vicenza

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

**April 4** - Angela Hewitt – Piano concert

Performances are at 8:45 p.m. Get tickets at the box office or online at <http://www.tcvl.it/>

### Vicenza area antique markets March 9

**Vicenza:** 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. in Piazza dei Signori, Piazza Duomo, Piazza Garibaldi, Piazza Palladio, Piazza Biade and Piazza Castello

**Lonigo:** 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Via Garibaldi, about 20 miles southwest of Vicenza.

## TUSCANY

### Sagra delle Frittelle Frittelle Festival

March 9, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and March 9, 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. in San Donato in Collina, Rignano Sull'Arno (Florence); features typical *frittelle*, traditional deep-fried *Carnevale* pastries.

### Sagra del Neccio Neccio Festival

March 9, 2-7 p.m., in San Quiricio di Pescia (Pistoia), Piazza Garibaldi; features traditional *frittelle* made with chestnut flour, *neccio*, and ricotta; music and dancing.

### Festa della Polenta Polenta Festival

According to tradition dating back to the 16th century, the inhabitants of Vernio were starving as mercenaries from nearby Barberino moved to conquer Prato, moving the ruling counts Bardito order a special distribution of polenta, herring and cod for everyone. Enjoy free samplings of the traditional polenta made with chestnut flour, herring and cod. March 9, 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. in Vernio (Prato).

### Greentech - Ecology and Digital Thinking

Ongoing through March 8, 5:30 p.m. to 3 a.m. in Pisa, Palazzo dei Congressi, Via G. Matteotti 1; international festival of digital arts, innovation, research and sustainability; music after 9 p.m.; free entry until 7 p.m. Click on link above to get tickets online.

### Carnevale in Toscana

**Bièntina (Pisa)** - March 9, at 3 p.m., carnival float parades depart from Piazza Vittorio Emanuele. Bièntina *Carnevale* has been celebrated for the last 50 years. It



*Carnevale in Foiano della Chiana*

includes, besides the traditional allegoric floats, a little train loaded with children riding around the town.

**Foiano della Chiana (Arezzo)** - March 9; 475th edition of the oldest Carnevale in Italy; the city's four district compete for the best Carnevale float; the float parade starts at noon.

**Orentano (Castelfranco di Sotto - Pisa)** - March 9; this Carnevale is mainly meant for children with floats mostly inspired by Disney characters.

**Quarrata (Pistoia)** - March 9, float parade at 2:30 p.m. with musical band; in case of inclement weather, will be postponed to March 16.

**Viareggio**- March 9. Camp Darby Outdoor Recreation will lead a trip to the event, 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.

### Area antique markets this weekend

**Firenze (Tuscany):** March 9, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Piazza Santo Spirito

**Montepulciano (Siena):** March 8-9, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Piazza Grande

**Piombino (Livorno):** March 8-9, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Piazza Gappelletti, Corso Italia, via Fucini, Piazza Gramsci

**Pisa:** March 9, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Piazza dei Cavalieri

**Pistoia:** March 8-9, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Via Pertini

**Vicopisano (Pisa):** March 9, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Piazza Domenico Cavalca.

## SPORTING EVENTS

**Fim X-Trial 2013 World Championship:** March 15 in Assago, Milan

**Ocktagon - International Thai Boxing, Kick Boxing and MMA:** April 5 in Assago, Milan

**Harlem Globetrotters Italian Tour:** April 3 in Jesolo

**WWE - International Wrestling:** May 16 in Torino

**MotoGP-Mugello:** May 30-June 1, Scarperia (Florence)

## CONCERTS

**Band of Skulls** - March 10 in Milan

**Billy Idol with Steve Stevens** - March 10 in Padova

**James Blunt** - March 18 in Assago (Milan)

**Gavin DeGraw** - March 19 in Milan

**Skunk Anansie** - March 22 in Padova

**Kenny Barron and Dave Holland** - April 4 in Treviso

**Rufus Wainwright** - April 8 in Bologna

**The Piano Guys** - April 9 in Milan

**Boy George** - April 12 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)

**Steve Hackett** - May 26 in Milan

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

**Aerosmith** - June 25 in Rho (Milan)

**One Direction** - June 28 in Milan

**Joe Satriani** - July 3 in Rezzato (Brescia)

*Tickets at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center or online.*



*Kenny Barron  
and Dave Holland  
play Treviso  
April 4*

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

**Soldiers' Theatre and the VCC present:**

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Myreta Davis  
Sonia Elia**

**Lorenzo Felisatti**

**Aaron Talley**

**Brittany Allen**

**Alphonso Ortiz**

**Rodger Allison  
Mike Leahy  
Gladice Santiago-Howard**

**Burke Cochrane  
Melanie O'Brien  
Vance Williamson**

**Francesca Dorrity-Gheller  
David Rawlings  
Pat Wilson**

**Gary Johnson  
Christian Ricciardelli  
Melissa Zanfardini**

**Director: Jerry Brees**

**Musical Director:  
Ciriaco Colella**

**Choreographer:  
Linda Dahlstrom**

**Vocal Director:  
Aaron Talley**

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## Visiting CSM shares humor, insight

Female Soldiers from around the Vicenza Military Community share a light moment with U.S. Army Europe Command Sgt. Maj. David Davenport at the monthly Female 2 Female networking event Feb. 24 on Caserma Del Din.

# Community news briefs

### Garrison Public Affairs closure

The USAG Vicenza Public Affairs Office, located in Building 109 on Caserma Ederle, will be closed Friday for training. Questions may be addressed to [usarmy.vmc.pao@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.vmc.pao@mail.mil)

### OHA survey postponed

The dates for collecting Overseas Housing Allowance Survey (OHA) data for uniformed service members residing six months or longer in private rental housing have been rescheduled and will now take place from March 24 to April 23 to allow participants more time to sort bills and be ready to submit survey data within that timeframe.

### TSC closure

The Vicenza Training Support Center, located in Building 12 on Caserma Ederle, will be closed Friday, March 14, and Monday, March 17, to conduct

its inventory. Normal operations will resume March 18. The TSC Graphics section and photo studio will not be affected by the inventory and will be open as usual.

### Del Din access road delays

Residents and visitors to Caserma Del Din should expect minor delays entering an exiting the installation while restoration work on the access road is conducted through the end of March. Through today, expect alternating one-way traffic; through March 15, expect temporary narrowing of the road, including the center lane; and from March 15-21, expect alternating one-way traffic from the roundabout to the former construction entrance. Completion of the upgrade is planned for sometime in May. Call 637-2010.

### Post Allowance pay fix

The Defense Finance and Accounting Service implemented a system change in the Defense Civilian Pay System Feb. 28 to update Post Allowance table rates, which have been paid to affected

# Outlook

## accepts submissions

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the week before  
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the link below.

**To the Editor**

employees at 2012 rates since the end of January. Impacted employees should see retroactive adjustments to their Post Allowance entitlements in paychecks for the pay period ending March 8.

### ITO closes to relocate

The Installation Transportation Office, including Personal Property, Drivers Testing Station and Quality Control, currently located in Building 113 will be closed Friday, March 14, and Monday, March 17, as they relocate to Building 393. Normal operations will resume March 18 at the new location. Call 634 6837.

### South of the Alps open weekends

The South of the Alps Dining Facility on Caserma Ederle is open on weekends for brunch from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and for supper from 4:30-6 p.m.

### TSP warns against scams

As tax season rolls out and information transfers online, the Thrift Savings Plan reminds all participants that *tsp.gov* is the only legitimate web address for reaching the TSP online. Email links with spelling er-



rors or slight variations in the *tsp.gov* address, such as *tspgov.us* or *t\$sp.gov* may send users to fraudulent websites where cyber-thieves can steal login credentials as they are entered. If you ever suspect your account credentials have been compromised, call the ThriftLine immediately at 877-968-3778 for action to protect your account.

### USAHC closure

The U.S. Army Health Clinic Vicenza will be closed Friday, March 14. Other regular hours of operation, including the Birthing Center, remain in effect.

### College Fair seeks reps

The Vicenza Teen Center and Vicenza High School are co-sponsoring the Spring 2014 Vicenza College Fair April 22 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. and are seeking individuals to support the event

as alumni representatives. Contact Shannon Shimer at 634-7659, 0444-71-7659 or Jennifer Garcia at 634-7656, 0444-71-7656 for details.

### UMUC Spring registration

University of Maryland University College Spring Session 2 registration is under way for classes in human biology, Italian, statistics, contemporary social problems, research methods, macroeconomics, 19th-century European history and writing. New student scholarships and textbook subsidies are available. Registration continues through March 17; classes begin that day and run through May 11. For details and help call 634-8927 or email *vicenza-europe@umuc.edu*

### Pitching in for Grumolo

The National Alpini Association and Civil Protection, in collaboration with local volunteer groups invite all residents, children and grown-ups, to take part in the fifth in a series of clean-up days in Grumolo on Sunday, March 9, beginning at 8 a.m. Meet

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# At the movies



## 300: Rise of an Empire

This thriller takes viewers back nearly 2,000 years to the world of the Greek city-states to find general Themistokles (Sullivan Stapleton) leading the charge against invading Persian forces led by the mortal turned god, Xerxes, and Artemisia, the vengeful commander of the Persian navy. Also stars Eva Green.

## Ederle Theater

March 7	7 p.m.	Son of God (PG-13) *
	10 p.m.	Non-Stop (PG-13) *
March 8	3 p.m.	Son of God (PG-13) *
	6 p.m.	Non-Stop (PG-13) *
March 9	3 p.m.	Son of God (PG-13) *
	6 p.m.	Non-Stop (PG-13) *
March 12	11 a.m.	The Monuments Men (PG-13)
	7 p.m.	The Lego Movie (PG-13)
March 13	7 p.m.	The Lego Movie (PG-13)
March 14	7 p.m.	Mr. Peabody and Sherman (PG) *
	10 p.m.	300: Rise of an Empire (R) *
March 15	3 p.m.	Mr. Peabody and Sherman in 3D (PG) *
	6 p.m.	300: Rise of an Empire (R) *
March 16	3 p.m.	Mr. Peabody and Sherman (PG) *
	6 p.m.	300: Rise of an Empire (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](http://www.imdb.com)

## 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.:** Gospel service

**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](mailto:vicenzaitalychurchofchrist@gmail.com)

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

**Jewish:** Call 634-7519, 0444-71-7519 or 327-856-2191

**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](mailto:lescall@gmail.com)

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

**Vicenza Hospitality House:** A good place for anyone - single Soldiers, men, women and couples to enjoy food, fun and fellowship.

**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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in front of the Town Hall on Piazza Norma Cossetto. Free entertainment and activities will be provided for young children at Parco Moneghina by local ACR volunteers. Free snacks and drinks will be provided to all at the end of the event. Call 634-7000 or 0444-71-7000 for information.

### 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.

## 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).

### Soldiers' Theatre

Get tickets now for Neil Simon's **Sweet Charity**. Performances will be March 14-30, Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15, \$12 for youth. Call 634-7281.

**Private instruction** is available in guitar, piano, flute and voice. Stop by the theater or call 634-7281.

## Community health survey

The VMC Community Health Promotion Council seeks direct input on health care needs and issues. Please complete a short online survey at <http://go.usa.gov/Z7D9> to convey your concerns; it takes about 10-15 minutes to complete.

### myPay email update

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