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On the cover

A Vicenza Military Community family check out Vicenza Middle School during student orientation and a sneak-a-peek tour Aug. 21. See pages 6-11 for back to school coverage and updates. School starts again Monday.

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Marking Women's Equality Day

The nation's annual observance of Women's Equality Day commemorates the addition of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution, which guaranteed women the right to vote. This victory moved our nation forward on the path toward equal civil and political rights for all Americans.

The roles of women in the Army have changed dramatically since 1775. Then, women only nursed the ill and wounded, laundered and mended clothing and cooked for the troops in camp on campaign, services that did not exist among the Army's uniformed personnel until the 20th century.

Now, women make up nearly 16 percent of the active Army and serve in 95 percent of all Army occupations. Women continue to play a crucial role in current operations, and their contributions to defending freedom underscore their dedication and willingness to share great sacrifices.

We are incredibly proud of our courageous and patriotic Army personnel. Daily, each member proves that our people are the strength of our Army. Together,

they make the Army the strength of our nation.

The Army has long been a leader in understanding the power and potential that is created by embracing diversity in the ranks. To that end, women of the highest caliber have served in our Army for generations and have proven that sacrifice and selfless service are genderless. We are a world-class force because we recruit and integrate the best talent in ways that enhance decision-making and inspire high performance.

This Women's Equality Day, join us in honoring those who fought tirelessly for women's right to vote.

We are grateful for all who have helped to shape America and to make America's Army what it is today: a place where women and men from all walks of life stand proudly together in service to our nation.

Army Strong!

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Sergeant Major of the Army

Raymond T. Odierno

General, U.S. Army Chief of Staff

John M. McHugh

Secretary of the Army

Speak Out

How would you respond to seeing something suspicious?



Tiffany Crane

Arts & Crafts Center

"I would make sure what I saw was truly suspicious. If it is, I would immediately report it to remedy the situation as soon as possible."



Spc. Blaine Mclean

2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment (Airborne)

"I would report it. Off post I would call the MPs at 0444-71 7626."



Ventsi Dutkiewicz

Family member

"First I would get out of the area and then call the MP desk."

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USAHC Vicenza shines blue light on skin cancer

Story and photo by Julie M. Lucas

USAG Vicenza PAO

Thanks to the generosity of the local Veterans of Foreign Wars organization, U.S. Army Health Center Vicenza now has a machine to treat precancerous and certain superficial skin cancer conditions. Vicenza's VFW Post 8862 purchased a photodynamic therapy (PDT) machine and donated it to the clinic.

"I had mentioned the benefits of this machine to people we were treating for sun damage and precancerous conditions such as actinic keratosis, so they could look for that if they were PCSing to the States. Word got back to members of the VFW and they offered to purchase the device," said USAHC dermatologist, Lt. Col. Craig Maddox.

The machine uses two different wavelengths of visible light, red and blue, which read a patient's face or other parts of the body that may have precancerous or superficially cancerous cells. First a topical medication is applied, which is preferentially absorbed by the sun damaged cells over normal cells because they have a higher metabolic rate, Maddox said.

After a two-hour wait, the affected area is exposed to the light for 20 minutes. Patients can feel a slight stinging sensation during treatment, but after 24-48 hours there is little if any discomfort. The treated skin will look as if the patient had a sunburn, but over the ensuing two weeks the affected skin peels and looks normal and rejuvenated two to three



USAHC Vicenza dermatologist, Lt. Col. Craig Maddox, prepares to expose a patient to different wavelengths of light during photodynamic therapy treatment at the health center last month.

weeks later.

The traditional therapy with a cream requires at least two weeks of application and is significantly more uncomfortable, Maddox said. Then it takes another two weeks for the skin to recover. The PDT unit can replace this older method of treatment, according to Maddox.

Genetics and sun exposure play the main roles in determining the risk of skin cancer, with lighter skinned people being at greater risk of contracting skin cancer compared to people with darker skin complexions.

The PDT machine can also be used to treat acne, Maddox said. Patients are

exposed to both red and blue light simultaneously, without any topical solution being applied. The protocol for this procedure requires 20-minute treatments, two to three times weekly for 10 weeks.

"Everyone will benefit from this machine," said VFW Post 8862 trustee Ron Reynolds. "The young folks going through the nasty acne period, older folks that have been exposed to sun for many years as well as our warriors that have been exposed to the hot weather in Afghanistan and Iraq."

For more information about skin treatment and therapies call 0444-61-9577.

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Legal basis of divorce

By Vicenza Legal Assistance Office

Legal Assistance attorneys are often asked questions about when a divorce is final.

Finality of a divorce is important because marital status can directly relate to an individual's tax filing status, ability to remarry, property ownership rights and other purposes. Whether a person is single, married or legally separated can also affect military benefits such as command sponsorship and pay entitlements.

Soldiers should also be aware that Article 134 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice (UCMJ) prohibits adultery and bigamy. As a result a Soldier may be punished for having sex with or marrying another person while either of them is married to someone else.

The answer to the question is that a divorce is final when a court of competent jurisdiction executes a divorce decree or judgment of divorce. The couple involved might execute a marital separation agreement in which the terms of a separation or divorce are settled between the spouses, or a court might enter preliminary orders before a divorce is final, including an order recognizing a legal separation.

However, until a divorce decree or judgment of divorce is properly executed by a court, the couple continues to be legally married to each other and must comply with financial support or other obligations based upon their married status.

We recommend that divorcing clients carefully review the divorce decree. Some states provide that a divorce is not final until some time has passed after the decree is issued. In California, for example, six months must pass from the date the case is filed until the couple is divorced. Even if the court enters a divorce order earlier, the couple is not legally divorced until the six months have passed and the order becomes effective.

States are not legally required to recognize a divorce decree issued in a foreign country. Most states, however, recognize foreign divorce decrees provided both parties to the divorce received adequate notice and one of the parties was a domiciliary of the foreign nation at the time of the divorce.

One common situation encountered at Legal Assistance involves individuals coming to our office and relating that their former spouse told them they would file the petition for divorce after they separated. Years pass and the spouse assumes the petition was filed and the divorce decree issued, but that is not necessarily the case. The divorce decree is the formal order of the court that sets forth the terms and conditions that apply in the termination of a marriage.

Without the divorce decree, Legal Assistance attorneys cannot verify that a divorce actually took place, Soldiers cannot disenroll former spouses from DEERS, taxpayers cannot file tax returns using a single filing status and Soldiers risk violating the UCMJ.

If you are dealing with divorce, it is important to remain informed from the start. Being informed will enable you to protect your best interests, while also letting you know what to expect.

Should you have questions regarding divorce and marital status, visit the Vicenza Legal Assistance Office in Building 241 and make an appointment to speak with an attorney.

WOMEN'S EQUALITY DAY

August 26th



"We honor the pioneers of women's equality by doing our part to realize the great American dream."
President Barack Obama 2010

on Caserma Ederle 26 August 2014

0630: "GOT VOTE?" 5k Run/Walk – Start/Finish on the Football Field
1530: Historical Debate in the Lion's Den (Arena upstairs)

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- Recreation & leisure activities
- Coordinate community service projects
- Coordinate volunteer opportunities
- Quality of life issues facing single service members

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AUG	5	4	NOV
	19	18	
SEP	2	2	DEC
	16	16	

Meetings held at the Darby Library, Bldg. 407 at 5 p.m.
For info about BOSS, contact the MWR BOSS Advisor at 633-7438
www.darby.armyMWR.com

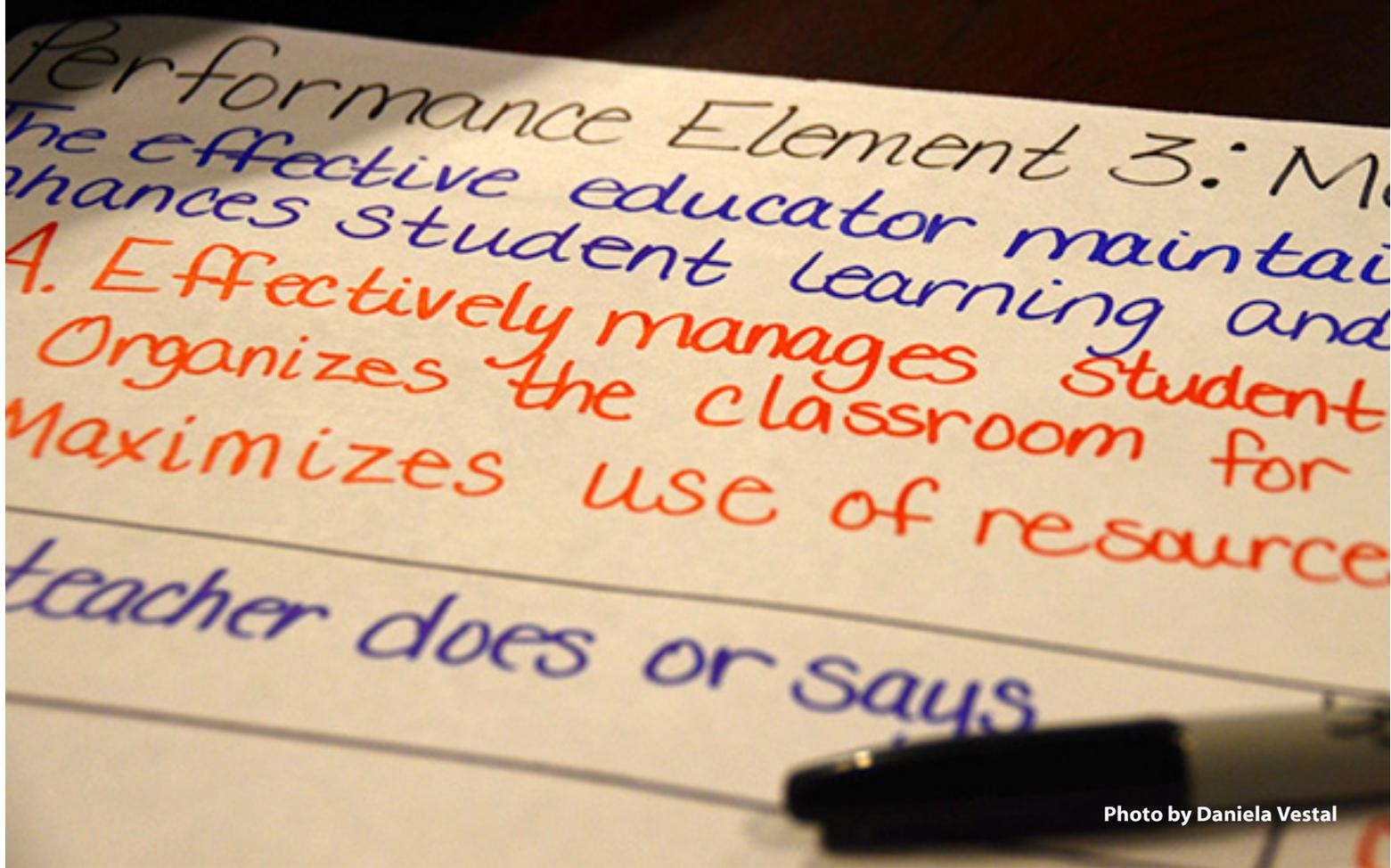


Photo by Daniela Vestal

Revised release time to support 21st CTLL

By Kent Worford
Mediterranean District Superintendent

Dear Parents of the Vicenza Military Community,

I am happy to announce as the 2014-2015 school year commences that 21st Century

Teaching, Learning, and Leading will be implemented in the Vicenza schools complex this year. During this implementation, we look forward to parent input, feedback and participation.

21st Century Teaching, Learning, and Leading is a multiyear program devoted to the development, support and evolution of innovative teaching practices in Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) schools. The program has been developed under the DoDEA Teaching and Learning Branch in partnership with DoDEA teachers, administrators, instructional systems specialists, area leaders, and representatives from the teacher

unions and associations. The Vicenza complex schools, elementary, middle and high school, have been selected to be the first group of schools to implement this initiative.

The 21st CTLL professional development framework is intended to be an integrated learning experience that occurs seamlessly within the course of our educational practice, encompassing new curricular adoptions and implementation of content standards within the context of educational structures that will shape learning goals and teaching methods to support the DoDEA Community Strategic Plan and the priorities of the PreK-12 Education Transformation.

In order for training to occur throughout the school year 2014-2015, we are planning the following schedule modifications:

All three Vicenza schools will have training during a two-day launch in

September, and students will be out of school Sept. 22-23 to give teachers the time for their initial training.

Subsequently, beginning Oct. 2, students will be released from school at 1:10 p.m. at the elementary school, 1:15 p.m. at the middle school and 1:30 p.m. at the high school on Thursday of each week.

This initiative has been coordinated with the USAG Vicenza command to ensure success. Our continued collaboration and partnership with all elements of the Vicenza community will guarantee that this implementation is effective.

The impact of teacher professional development will have a direct effect on student achievement and prepare our students for life in the 21st century. Your principal will talk more about this initiative during your Back to School events and Open Houses. We encourage you to get involved and ask questions regarding teaching and learning at your child's school.

Welcome to VHS

By Dr. Justin White, Principal, VHS

Dear Parents and Sponsors,

Welcome back or to VHS for the first time. It has been a pleasure to meet many of you and I look forward to meeting everyone. We will host Ad-
vancED for our accreditation visit in the spring of 2015 and will continue asking for your help throughout the year. Together, we will make this one of the best years ever.

We are excited to be part of the first DoDEA schools to implement the 21st Century Teaching, Leading and Learning initiative. Our staff will participate in weekly professional development and collaboration in support of student achievement. Teachers will be implementing strategies such as problem-based learning throughout the curriculum.

Our staff looks forward to an amazing year. And while you may not be part of the teaching staff, you are just as important to your student's education. Your student receives the best education when you and our dedicated staff work as a team. It is parents' enthusiasm, support, and involvement combined with our staff's ability to teach what students need to learn that inspires students to do their best. Together we can achieve great things.

There are exciting times ahead: meeting new teachers, taking new courses, making new friends . . . and I look forward to you sharing in those exciting times. I encourage you to become an active member of our school by volunteering, serving on committees, participating in our Booster Club, helping plan and organize activities and developing strong relationships with our staff.

We need your involvement to continue to augment and extend our learning opportunities through extensive school-home partnerships.

And please join me in welcoming our new staff members: Mary Generelli (Italian I French), Michael Haiderer (math), Desiree Horton (computer science), Mendie Houk (language arts), Stacy Knappe, (language arts), Marie Knoll (special education), Lee Rabine (education technologist), Gene Tramm (math I science) and Jesse Woods (JROTC).

Vicenza High School is an outstanding school and we have many reasons to celebrate. We are planning an enjoyable and rewarding school year, and we look forward to working with each one of you. Please feel free to contact me with any questions, suggestions, or comments. Thank you for your partnerships.

JOIN THE FUN!

the edge

September



Go With the Flow Yoga

September 8-29, 4-5 p.m. (Mondays)
SKIESUnlimited Annex, Bldg. 395

Learn meditation, relaxation, breathing exercises & poses in Vinyasa Flow Yoga for beginners.

Cost: \$20 | Enrollment is ongoing. | Grades 6-12



Youth Boxing Training/Conditioning

September 2 – October 2, 4:30-6 p.m. (Tuesdays & Thursdays)
Ederle Fitness Center's Combative Room

Come learn emotional and physical self-discipline, focus, teamwork and a great work ethic to succeed in life.

Cost: \$20 | Enrollment is ongoing. | Grades 3-12



Spinning the Wheel Pottery

September 3-24, 3:30-5 p.m. (Wednesdays)
Arts & Crafts Center

Join this highly enjoyable way to express yourself. It can also offer physical therapy by increasing hand-eye coordination, along with mental concentration.

Cost: \$20 | Enrollment is ongoing. | Grades 5-12



Track for Youth

September 8 – October 1, 4:15-5:15 p.m. (Mondays & Wednesdays)
Ederle Track and Field

Get into your best running shape in preparation for the November 22 Family and MWR Turkey Trot. Gobble up miles of strength and conditioning.

Cost: \$20 | Enrollment is ongoing. | Grades 1-12



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www.vicenza.armyMWR.com



Photo by Laura Kreider

Lots of books to choose from

New and returning Vicenza Middle School students and parents tour the school information center during a sneak-a-peek tour Aug. 21.

School bus safety

By USAG Vicenza Safety

It is hard to believe that summer is almost over and the time to send the kids back to school is once again upon us. Back to school time means it's also time to think about safety.

As a new school year approaches, USAG Vicenza wants to remind motorists to be on the alert for children returning to school as there will be more children running around the streets. Schools start on post next week, and all of us should look out for the children. Italian schools will begin their school year in mid-September, so always be on the lookout for eager young people possibly not paying attention the way they should off post also.

Plan a walking route to school or the bus stop with your child. Choose the most direct way with the fewest street crossings and, if possible, use intersections that have crossing guards.

If your child bikes to school, make sure she or he wears a helmet that meets one of the recognized safety standards such as U.S. CPSC. Research indicates that a helmet can reduce the risk of head injury by up to 85 percent.

Teach your children, whether walking, biking, or riding the bus to school, to obey all traffic signals, signs and traffic officers. Remind them to be extra careful in bad weather.

Here are a few other safety tips to help keep you and your children stay safe all school year long.

Talk with your child about safety and be specific. Talk about instinct and paying attention to funny feelings of fear. Explain what they should do if they do not feel safe, for instance, finding a teacher or other trusted adult to talk to.

Use crosswalks whenever possible. Vehicle operators must stop for pedestrians in crosswalks.

Stop for school buses. Stay in clear view of the bus drivers. Italian law does not require cars to stop for buses loading and unloading children off post; however, on base, drivers are required to stop for school buses loading and unloading children.

Learn your school's emergency procedures. Parents and children should know the school's emergency plans and phone numbers, which are usually detailed in school handbooks.

Know and follow school security and safety measures. This may include signing in when visiting the school, being escorted when walking around the school or wearing a visitors pass.

For a complete list of school safety tips, go to <http://www.rd.com/advice/parenting/back-to-school-safety-tips/>



Photo by Laura Kreider

We're back!

Vicenza Middle School Pumas explore the school during a sneak-a-peek tour of classrooms and facilities Aug. 21.

College Fair seeks reps

By Shannon Shimer
Vicenza Teen Center

The Vicenza Teen Center and Vicenza High School will co-sponsor the Autumn 2014 Vicenza College Fair Oct. 21 from 5:30-7:30pm. The fair will provide high school students the opportunity to explore higher education options as they plan for the future. The aim is to have colleges and universities from around the United States represented at this event.

To that end, we are reaching out to the community for help. Because of our unique location in Italy, we are seeking Vicenza Military Community members to represent their respective alma maters at the college fair.

The more colleges and universities we can gather with alumni representatives, the more our students will benefit. We will help connect you with your school's admissions office to receive needed materials. Please note that requests for materials must be made by Sept. 30 to allow adequate time for delivery to Vicenza.

If you are interested in helping support the Autumn 2014 Vicenza College Fair as an alumni representative, contact Shannon Shimer at the Teen Center, 634-7659 or shannon.b.shimer.naf@mail.mil, or Jennifer Garcia at VHS, 634-7656 or jennifer.garcia@eu.dodea.edu at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for helping us advance the educational aspirations and achievements of our Vicenza High School students.

VHS teachers warm up for school year

Story and photos by Daniela Vestal
Special to the Outlook

The staff of Vicenza High School was at their staff meeting surprised Wednesday morning when their principal, Dr. Justin White, handed out a pair of socks to each and marched them off to the bowling alley at the Arena.

The entire Cougar staff began their morning with a variety of team building activities, including dancing, to get energized. They proceeded to bowling Scotch Doubles, with two bowlers on each team taking alternate shots throughout the game.

The unusual morning “outside the building” was designed as a way for the staff to start working on strategies to support the school’s upcoming performance objectives, said White.

After a morning of movement and camaraderie building, the Cougar educators and staff were on a roll and ready for school to resume on Monday.

AT essay contest

By Dr. Justin White
Principal, Vicenza High School

In support of Antiterrorism Awareness Month, the Vicenza garrison is hosting an essay/poster contest for high school students. I encourage you to participate in the contest. Please submit your essay to me or drop it off in school’s front office no later than Sept. 15.

The topic for the essay is How the War on Terrorism Has Affected My Family.

The aim of the contest is to recognize the sacrifices your family members have made or are making during the War on Terror in which America has been fighting since 9/11. Tell us what it means to you.

The winner will receive a \$100. AAFES gift certificate to be presented by the garrison commander at the October INFO-X.



Mathematics instructor Roland Sturk shows the proper form while bowling Scotch Doubles with fellow instructors and staff at the Arena Aug. 20.



Gene Tramm leads the staff of Vicenza High School in a conga line during a morning of team building at the Arena Aug. 20.



Photo by Laura Kreider

New VMS principal, Stephanie El Sayed, greets students and parents at the Puma sneak-a-peek Aug. 21.

New VMS principal greets students, parents

By Stephanie M. El Sayed
Principal, VMS

Greetings Puma Parents!

We are hard at work creating schedules, reviewing immunizations and care plans, preparing lessons, moving furniture, counting textbooks, and-and-and; all with love and anticipation for our students on Monday!

Upcoming dates

Sept. 2: First day of school for Kindergarten and PSCD at VES; parent's Boo-Hoo breakfast at 8:20 a.m.

Sept. 9: VHS Open House

Sept. 10: VES Open House 5-6:30 p.m.

Sept. 11: First day of Sure Start at VES

Sept. 22-23: No instruction; teacher professional development

Oct. 2: Start of early release Thursday schedules.

can hear them now: I wonder what teachers are on my grade level team? Where is my locker going to be? Is that new principal as mean as they say? Does the new principal know how to at least do the cha cha slide or the wobble?

Hmm . . .

Below is a bit of information you may like to share with your anxious Pumas:

Our Open House and Welcome Back Barbecue will be held Monday, Aug. 25. For our new families staying in the Ederle Inn, TMP has kindly organized a one-way, 30-passenger bus for parents to attend the Open House. For families staying at Hotel Mary, you may also catch the TMP bus at the Ederle Hotel. The bus will meet at the Ederle Inn at 7:30 a.m. and depart at 7:45 a.m. to VMS. Please note: Parents cannot ride the student school buses in the morning, which is why this service has been provided. Parents must then catch the 1:24 p.m. community bus back to Caserma Ederle.

On Monday morning, students will congregate in front of the school till shortly after 8 a.m., meeting and

greeting old friends and starting to make new ones. The bell will ring at 8:10 a.m. at which time students will report to their advisory classes to receive a copy of their schedule, lockers and planners.

Parents will head to the Multipurpose Room for a welcome and orientation with the principal. A copy of your child's schedule will be available there. At 8:55 a.m. parents will meet up their students for period one and then rotate through the schedule to meet teachers for a brief orientation.

Open House classroom orientations will continue until the Welcome Back Barbecue at 12:30 p.m.

Please be sure to bring in updated immunization certificates if your child needed some shots, and bring eligibility documents if applicable. Parents should also arrange their student's lunch account status with the school liaisons officer and the PX. Sack lunches or cash are cool, as well.

And please be sure your child has his or her bus pass, this Monday and every school day.

Go Pumas!

BOSS pitches in to celebrate La Fraglia

Story and photo by Laura Kreider

USAG Vicenza PAO

For the fourth year in a row members of the USAG Vicenza Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers and other volunteers from the Vicenza Military Community got together at the annual end of year event held at La Fraglia July 31.

La Fraglia is an educational and rehabilitation cooperative in Vicenza, which assists children and adults with disabilities. The VMC has had a community relations outreach with the organization for the past six years.

As on previous occasions, planning for the event started in mid-June and focused on providing support for the barbecue that is the highlight of the end of year celebration.

"This year we grilled about 500 servings, including 250 hamburgers and 250 wurstels," said Staff Sgt. Anthony Williams, USAG Vicenza BOSS president, who has a long-standing experience with the annual get-together.

"Every summer BOSS volunteers come together to assist the amazing staff in providing a quality community event for its members and their families. Each year it just gets even more amazing. After each event our BOSS volunteers ask, 'When are we going back to La Fraglia?' I think that in itself shows how much this event means in connecting our military community with the citizens of Vicenza, making us all citizens of one community," said Williams.

In addition to the barbecue, the 250 or so participants enjoyed a range of recreational activities and feasted on about 400 homemade crepes prepared by volunteers.

One special guest was Elvis impersonator Kevin Boucher



Italian and American friendships flourish at the annual La Fraglia year-end celebration and barbecue.

of the Caserma Ederle Tax Relief Office, who entertained the crowd with his much appreciated tribute to the American musical icon.

"This is the third year that I've been asked to do this by BOSS and La Fraglia, and I feel so honored to be able to perform for them. It's great to see these two organizations come together to create an evening with good food, music, dance and a great time. I really had fun and they did too. I hope I can do it again next time," Boucher said.

"I think it's wonderful to know that there are people coming from different parts in the world who want to share this experience with us," said Elvis fan Cristina Torresan, who has been volunteering at La Fraglia for the past year.

Family members, La Fraglia staff, volunteers and friends shared the whole evening in a friendly environment.

La Fraglia president Maria Grazia Santon took the opportunity to thank all the participants for their support to organization and highlighted the presence of the members of the American community.

"We like to remind everyone how La Fraglia is a place that is always open to any volunteers. Currently, we have about 24 operators to assist some 48 members. We really appreciate the American people who keep sharing this moment with us year after year. It is a positive collaboration for us and it also shows how it is in the heart of the volunteers who keep coming here," she said.

Free, reduced school lunches

Eligible Vicenza Military Community parents can take advantage of the free and reduced cost lunch program for their school-age children, but an application process must be completed first.

To determine your qualification, please go in person to the School Liaison Office at Parent Central Services, Office 42 in David Hall, Building 108 on Caserma Ederle (Army Community Service). The office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Please bring the completed application distributed to parents via email plus a copy of a recent LES and proof of other income for eligibility determination. You will be notified via email regarding eligibility for the free and reduced school lunch program. Applications must be submitted before obtaining a PIN number for your child's account.

Please note that applications must be submitted every school year for both new and returning families.

Call 634-5998 for assistance.

Darby hosts 25th Anniversary BOSS Games

By Sarah Galon

Darby Military Community BOSS

Nine teams representing seven U.S. Army garrisons in Europe arrived at Camp Darby Aug. 8, hoping to bring home the gold medal from the 2014 U.S. Army Installation Management Command Europe (IMCOM-E) 25th Anniversary BOSS Games.

Some 80 Soldiers worked in teams for three action-packed days of sports, leisure, trivia knowledge and teamwork activities.

"The BOSS Games were important, offering a friendly physical and leisure activity for our single Soldiers. The games allowed single Soldiers from all over Europe to meet and compete and many new friendships were made this weekend," said Angela Flowers, region program manager of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (Family and MWR) BOSS.

Sgt. Brighton Mancillas, IMCOM-E BOSS president, said, "My favorite part of the BOSS Games was the obstacle course. It was great to see the team members work together to place the best skilled player at each obstacle. They can take that skill back with them to their programs and apply it to BOSS events or everyday tasking at their units."

After three long days of competition there could only be one winner. Taking home the gold medal by a margin of 6 points was USAG Rheinland-Pfalz Kaiserslautern. USAG Vicenza took first place honors in the beach volleyball and ultimate Frisbee events to finish second overall, while USAG Ansbach and USAG Benelux tied for the bronze. Home town favorites Camp Darby exhibited their creative skills to take first in the sand sculpture competition to finish in fifth place overall.

Camp Darby, unique venue for Games

Camp Darby was proud to play host for the first ever games, said BOSS treasurer, Pfc. Christopher Gribble.

"Hosting the 2014 BOSS Games was a great opportunity to network with other service members from around Europe. Camaraderie and competition helped develop the foundation for future games, mentorships, memories," he said.

"We chose Camp Darby because of its unique atmosphere and environment, which is like no other installation," said IMCOM-E Command Sgt. Maj. Romeo Montez. "The scope of the Games is the same as the BOSS program: to enhance the morale and welfare of all single service members and to increase readiness and retention."

The BOSS Games, a Camp Darby BOSS initiative, were created to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the BOSS program. For a quarter of a century BOSS programs have helped support the military community by enhancing the quality of life and morale of the single service member.



Courtesy photo

Soldiers and Airmen compete during the U.S. Army Installation Management Command Europe (IMCOM-E) 25th Anniversary BOSS Games held at Camp Darby earlier this month.

"BOSS 25th Anniversary Games is a great event, where all Europe comes together to share ideas and experiences," said USAG Vicenza Command Sgt. Maj. Mark Council. "It is important to teach these young Soldiers to be good leaders and after this four-day weekend they can go back and share experiences."

"This is a chance to explore Europe and have the opportunity to know other Soldiers," said Sgt. Clare Dudash from Hohenfels, Germany.

"Our team won the sand castle contest," said Spc. Patrick Hoffman of Camp Darby. "This is one program for all in Europe and a unique chance to meet and build camaraderie while having fun."

"This is a great experience, just living in this environment having fun and building esprit de corps," said Sgt. Ronnie Smith from SHAPE, Belgium.

IMCOM-E is presently hosting a number of events to commemorate this occasion. Contact your local BOSS representative, BOSS president or BOSS adviser for details and to get involved.

Additional reporting by Chiara Mattiolo, Darby Military Community PAO



Speak Out

How would you respond to seeing something suspicious?



Marco Morucci

405th Army Field Support Battalion, Italy

"I would report immediately to my supervisor."



Dolores Edmonds

Family member

"I would ask questions and then report to the MPs."



Photo by Chiara Mattiolo

Relief for Gaza

Nicola Cavallini loads a truck Aug. 4 with relief supplies to be flown from Pisa Airport to the Gaza Strip. The Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance (OFDA) at the Livorno, Italy, Army Depot, was tasked to provide hygiene kits and water bladders in support of U.S. government disaster relief efforts. "I feel the responsibility and the urge of doing a good job in a timely manner," said Cavallini. "The persons who will receive our support are suffering and the faster we provide our relief kits to them, the better it is." Once notified, the OFDA team went immediately into overdrive and quickly loaded and dispatched three trucks of materiel, said executive adviser Alberto Chidini. The shipment consisted of 9,997 hygiene kits and 10 10,000-liter water bladders, he said.



Family and MWR

Vicenza Military Community



Auditions for "Absolute Laughter"

"Absolute Laughter" is a series of short, hysterically funny comedies. Come and audition August 25, 6:30 p.m. at Soldiers' Theatre. Performances will be held September 26-October 5. No experience necessary. Limited rehearsal time and you're guaranteed to have fun. Call 634-7281 for info.

Back to School at the Library

Get ready to head back to school for the new year. Stop by the library and decorate your very own backpack on September 2, 3:30 p.m.

On September 9, join us at the Ederle Library for our children's clothing swap. Bring in the stuff your child has outgrown and swap it for something new 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Visit our website for details or call 634-7291.

SKIES *Unlimited* Fall Session

Browse the new SKIES*Unlimited* catalog and start choosing your classes today! Enrollment begins Sept. 3 and closes once classes are filled or when the session starts. Call 634-5563 for information.

Bowling Closed on Labor Day

The Strike Zone and bowling lanes will be closed on Monday, September 1. Contractors will begin removing and replacing the carpeting on the ground level in the Arena. The Lion's Den Bar and game room will be open 5-10 p.m. with a \$1 hot dog and chip special.

Mixed Bowling Leagues

Bowlers of all abilities are welcome to join our Wednesday evening mixed league. League play begins September 10, for 13 weeks. Team captains will meet on September 3 at 6 p.m. in the Arena downstairs conference room.

YS Hail and Farewell

On Sept 5 from 3 to 4 pm, youth can welcome the new youth to our community and say goodbye to those leaving. We will have free pizza for all middle school and high school students in grades 6 through 12. The event will be held at the Villaggio Youth Center for grades 6-8 and the Ederle Teen Center for grades 9-12.



Register using MWR Online Services for:

Vicenza Trip & Classes

Vicenza CYSS Activities

Vicenza Facebook Page





Darby Military Community



32nd Annual Run To The Tower

Where else can you find a finish line in front of the Leaning Tower of Pisa? Online registration is now open for this popular 12 km run (7.3 miles) is sponsored by Global Credit Union.

The first 400 participants will receive a commemorative Run to the Tower 2014 T-shirt. Registration is only available online this year and is limited to 700 runners. Registration and payment information is available in both Italian and English at darby.armymwr.com.

CYSS Strong Beginnings Program

Strong Beginnings prepares children for kindergarten by introducing skills needed in Elementary school and for a lifetime. The program will begin August 25 and takes place at Child Development Center 8-11 a.m. Stop by the Child Development Center and find out more about preparing your child for kindergarten!

9/11 Solidarity Run/Walk

Every September, the entire nation stops to remember the events of 9/11 in New York City and Washington, D.C. Show your community solidarity by participating in the Darby Solidarity 5k Run & 2 mile Walk on Sept 11, 7:30 a.m. Everyone in the community is encouraged to participate, whatever the age, skill levels or personal role in our community. Sign up at the Darby Fitness Center.

Youth Fun Run at American Beach

Darby youth are invited to join in a fun run September 13, 9-10 a. m. Advanced sign-ups are required by Friday, September 12 using the Sports Registration form. Register at any CYSS facility or on WebTrac.

4th Annual Beach Duathlon

Register for the 4th Annual Beach Duathlon on September 13, 8-10 a.m. Run, swim and run at the American Beach as we close the 2014 season. Register before August 29 at the Darby Fitness Center to receive a custom designed T-shirt.



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Regata Storica in Venice

VENETO

**Regata Storica
Historic Regatta**

Sept. 7 in Venice. The regatta, famous for its spectacular water parade of historical replicas that precedes the race, is the most important event in the annual Venetian rowing calendar. It dates back as far back as the mid-13th century, when Venice needed to train its navy crews in the art of rowing. Nowadays there are four different races divided by age and type of craft: the young rowers with twin-oared *pupparini*; the women's twin-oared *mascarete*; the six-oared *caorline* regatta; and the twin-oared *gondolini* regatta. Visitors can attend the historic parade and the regattas with seating on the uncovered floating stalls set up along the Grand Canal near Campo San Vio. Cost is €60, €30 for ages 6-18, free for children under 6 with no seat assignment and accompanied by an adult. Purchase tickets online or call the Hello Venezia call center at 041-2424.

**Festa dei Gnochi con la Fioretta
Gnocchi with Fioretta Festival**

Aug. 24 in Recoaro Terme, Parco della Fortuna public garden, Piazza D'Aosta, about 28 miles northwest of Vicenza. *Fioretta* is a typical ricotta from Veneto; 10:30 a.m. traditional mountain costume parade; 11:30 a.m. food booths open; live music at noon; local products and crafts exhibit and sale.

**Ponti sul Ponte
Bridges on the bridge**

Aug. 24, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., in Bassano del Grappa, Ponte Vecchio. Exhibit of Ponte Vecchio miniatures; free entry, but donations to restore the Bassano Bridge gladly accepted; 11 a.m. Bassano choir performance.

**Festival della Cultura e Musica Celtica
Brintaal Celtic Culture and Music festival**

In Valstagna, Grotte di Oliero, Via Oliero di Sotto 85, about 34 miles north of Vicenza; food booths open at 6:30 p.m. Aug. 23-24; 4:30 p.m., Aug. 28-31.
Aug. 23: 9 p.m. festival grand opening
Aug. 24: Brenta River bike excursion; €15, includes train ticket from Cisono to Levico and bike rental; meeting point is at the Cisono del Grappa train station, Via Roma 26, 7:30 a.m.
Aug. 28: 9:30 p.m. live music with the L'Orage and Folkamiseria folk bands
Aug. 29: 6 p.m. ocarina workshops for children; 8:45 p.m. traditional Breton music with Bagad De Vannes Band; 9:30 p.m. folk rock with Breton Titom Band; 11:30 p.m. Irish Folk by Pog Mo Thoine Band
Aug. 30: Craft market and food booths open at noon; 3 p.m. Fantabrintaal creative workshops for children; 5 p.m. ocarina workshop for children; 9:30 p.m. folk rock with Norwegian Greenland Whalefishers Band; 11:30

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p.m. folk rock with Seven Deadly Folks Band
Aug. 31: 5 p.m. Breton folk music with Bagad De Vannes Band; 9:30 p.m. Spanish folk rock with La Maravillosa Orquesta del Alcohol; 11:30 p.m. Irish drinking songs with the Pint5 Band.

**Festa della Birra e della Bruschetta
 Beer and Bruschetta Fest**

Through Aug. 26 in Marola, Torri di Quartesolo, Sport Center, Via Cedri, about 5 miles east of Vicenza. Food booths featuring bruschetta (toasted bread seasoned with garlic, olive oil) and other local specialties open at 7 p.m.; 9 p.m. live music and entertainment; pony rides for children; fireworks on Aug. 26 at 11 p.m.

**Sagre di San Bortolo
 Saint Bortolo Fairs**

Agugliaro, through Aug. 26, about 18 miles south of Vicenza. Carnival rides and food booths from 7 p.m. to midnight; music and dancing nightly at 9 p.m.

Fara Vicentino, through Aug. 24, Piazza Arnaldi, about 18 miles north of Vicenza. Food booths open at 7 p.m.; charity raffle, crafts exhibit and sale; live music nightly at 9 p.m.; fireworks Aug. 24 at 11 p.m.

World Music Live in Campo Marzo

Through Sept. 5, free concerts featuring international bands in Campo Marzo, directly across from the main Vicenza train station. Performances start at 9 p.m.

Aug. 23: Les Manouches Bohemiens trio - jazz

Aug. 29: Dave Nicolli Band + Smako Acustico - pop-rock

Sept. 5: Celtic and Bardic Harps - traditional Gaelic

Killing Cangrande – Mystery guided tour of Verona

A “who-done-it” approach to touring Verona takes place Aug. 29 and Sept. 26. Led by an English-speaking guide, participants discover medieval Verona while playing detective downtown, using riddles, games, legends and clues to solve a 700-year-old murder case. The three-hour tour departs from Castelvecchio Courtyard, Via Corso Castelvecchio 2. The €30 ticket includes an *aperitivo* in Piazza delle Erbe; free for children under 16 accompanied by two adults. To reserve places, send email through the link above.

**La Notte Nera
 The Dark Night**

Aug. 23 in Asiago, about 34 miles north of Vicenza. Beginning at 5 p.m., entertainment, games, shows



and workshops for children throughout downtown. At 9 p.m. all the lights in the city will be turned off and candles will be lit to promote environmental awareness of acoustic and light pollution. Watch night artists perform and a torchlight procession with live music in Piazzale Duomo. Restaurants will feature candlelight dinners and typical cuisine.

**L'illusione della realtà – Paolo Veronese
 Paolo Veronese – The Illusion of Reality**

Through Oct. 5, in Verona, Palazzo della Gran Guardia, Piazza Bra, about 36 miles west of Vicenza. Paolo Caliari, called the Veronese, returns to his native Verona with an exhibit that features 100 paintings and drawings from prestigious museums worldwide. The exhibit is open 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Fridays 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; entry is €12; €9 for students and for seniors over 65, €6 for children 7-17; free for children under 7 and disabled.

**Concorso Internazionale di sculture in legno
 International woodcarving competition**

Through Aug. 27 in Asiago, about 34 miles north of Vicenza. The action takes place throughout down-

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town with artists of various nationalities carving sculptures in wood. Winners will be announced Aug. 27 at 4 p.m.

Area antique markets Aug. 24

Belluno: 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Piazza Duomo, about 103 miles north of Vicenza

Dolo (Venice): 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., about 37 miles east of Vicenza

Spresiano (Treviso): 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., in Piazza Luciano Rigo, about 43 miles northeast of Vicenza

Treviso: 7:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Via San Liberale, about 56 miles east of Vicenza.

Water parks, adventure parks, museums

CanevaWorld Resort

In Lazise sul Garda, Fossalta 58, about 51 miles east of Vicenza. The park has Movieland Studios, AquaParadise, Medieval Times and Rock Star theme areas. Admission is €25 for Movieland, €19 for children over 55.11 inches; Caneva, €25, €19 for children over 55.11 inches; one day in two parks, €29.90 or €23.90 for children under 55.11 inches. All are free for children under 55.11 inches.

Aquafollie Water Park

In Caorle, Via Aldo Moro 1, about 86 miles east of Vicenza. The park is open through Sept. 7, from 10 a.m. 6 p.m. Admission is €19 for adults and children taller than 51.18 inches; €12 for children up to 51.18 inches; €16 for senior citizens over 65; discounts for families and free for children up to 39.37 inches.

Cavour Water Park

In Valeggio sul Mincio (Verona), Località. Ariano, about 53 miles west of Vicenza. Open through Aug. 31 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Admission is €16, €12 for children 3-10 and senior citizens over 65.

Aqualandia

Fantastic water park in Jesolo, Via Buonarroti, 15, about 64 miles east of Vicenza. It is open through Sept. 14, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; water games, extreme sports, water gym, children's programs, bungee jumping. Admission is €30 for adults, €26 for children up to 39.37 inches tall.

Villabella Water Park

In Villabella di San Bonifacio, Via Villabella 87/D, about 20 miles southwest of Vicenza. Open through Aug. 31 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Admission is €6 weekdays; €8, Saturdays, €6 for children; Sundays and holidays, €11, children €5; free for those under 3 and seniors over 70.

Gardaland

In Castelnuovo del Garda, Via Derna 4, about 45 miles west of Vicenza. Open through Sept. 28; admission is €37.50, €31 for children under 10 and seniors over 60.

Padovaland Water Park

In Padova, Viale della Regione Veneto, 6, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza. Open through Aug. 27,

daily and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Sundays and holidays, 9:30 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. Features a wave pool, water slides for all ages, playground built on piles, restaurant and game rooms. Admission is €19 for an all-day ride pass, €14 from 3 p.m. to closing; for children ages 2-12, €12 for an all-day ride pass and €10 from 3 p.m. to closing.

Park Jungle Adventure

In San Zeno di Montagna, Pineta Sperane, Lago di Garda, about 60 miles west of Vicenza. Open through Sept. 24 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tickets range from €8 to €34 on difficulty level. Credit cards are not accepted.

Butterfly Arc

In Montegrotto Terme, Via Degli Scavi, 21 bis, about 27 miles southeast of Vicenza. Open Tuesday through Sunday from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. until Nov. 17. Admission is €9, €7 for children ages 4-12 and senior citizens over 65, and includes entry to the Fairy's Wood, a 7,000-square meter park for examining the relationship between humanity and nature in the context of history, tradition, fantasy and science. The Butterfly Arc houses hundreds of specimens of arthropods, including scorpions, scarabs, dung beetles, caterpillars and orchid praying mantises. Specialists are available

to explain the arthropods and help visitors interact with them.

Esapolis

Museum of live insects, silkworms and bees

In Padova, Via dei Colli 28, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza. Open Tuesday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to noon and 2:30-5:30 p.m., Saturday, Sunday and holidays 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., through Sept. 30. Admission is €9, €7 for ages 4-12 and senior citizens over 65.

Giardino Barbarigo **Barbarigo Garden**

In Valsanzibio, Galzignano Terme (Padova), Via Barbarigo 15, about 38 miles south of Vicenza. Open daily through Nov. 11 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to sunset, Sundays and Italian holidays from 10 a.m. to sunset. The garden is one of the most important and unspoiled in the world with fountains, fishponds, a large maze, statues galore and beautiful trees and vegetation. Admission is €9.50, €8 for children ages 6-14.

Grotta Cascata del Varone e Giardino Botanico **Varone Waterfall Cave Park and Botanic Garden**

In Tenno, Via Cascata, 12, about 93 miles northwest of Vicenza. This impressive nature park features a natural gorge, eroded more than 20,000 years ago by the waters of Lake Tenno, which rumble their way down from a height of nearly 100 meters. Open in August from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; in September from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is €5.50, there is free parking and a picnic area.

Orto Botanico **Botanical Garden**

In Padova, Via Orto Botanico 15, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza. This is the world's first botanical garden, having opened in nearby Padova in 1545. The park still preserves its original layout, a circular central plot symbolizing the world, surrounded by a ring of water. Open Monday to Saturday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sundays and Italian holidays 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. through Oct. 31; from Nov. 1 through the end of February, open Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission fee: €5; €4 for senior citizens over 65; €2 for students (6-17).

Parco delle Cascate **Waterfall Park**

In Molina (Verona), Via Bacilieri 1, about 18 miles north of Vicenza. The name Molina derives from the past presence of many mills (*mulini*) powered by the hydraulic force of the same springs from which the beautiful waterfalls of the park flow. Visitor to Molina can also take a step into the past. The village has maintained the characteristics of a medieval settlement. Open through Sept. 30 from 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Admission is €5, €3 for children 6-11.

Parco Giardino Sigurtà **Sigurtà Garden**

In Valeggio sul Mincio (Verona), Via Cavour 1, about 53 miles west of Vicenza. Open through Nov. 2 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is €12, €6.50 children ages 5-14, free for children under 4 and €9.50 for seniors over 65. Guests with mobility impairments can enjoy a reserved area on the fun trains, with electric steps for wheelchair access to enjoy the Enchanted Trail.

Parco Faunistico Cappeller **Cappeller Zoo**

In Cartigliano, Via Kimble, about 18 miles north of Vicenza. Open through Nov. 15, Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Admission is €12, €8 for children ages 2-11, senior citizens over 60 and military members.

Parco Faunistico Valcorba **Valcorba Animal Park**

In Pozzonovo, Località Stroppare (Padova), about 47 miles south of Vicenza. From 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. till Sept. 30. Admission is €11, €7 for children ages 4-7.

Parco Natura Viva **Safari Park and Zoo**

In Bussolengo, Località Figara, 40, about 42 miles west of Vicenza. The zoo is open daily 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Sundays and Italian holidays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; safari park from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Admission is €20, €15 for children ages 3-12.



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TUSCANY

Sagra Dugni 'Osa Fritto Fried Food Festival

Aug. 22-24 and Aug. 29-31 in Putignano (Pisa), Sports Field, Via Ximenes. Food booths featuring local fried specialties open at 7 p.m.; live music and dancing at 9 p.m.; bounce houses and free parking.

Sagra della Bistecca Steak Festival

Aug. 22-24 and Aug. 29-31 in Pieve Fosciana (Lucca). Food booths open at 7:30 p.m. featuring *Fiorentina* steak and other Tuscan specialties; live music and entertainment at 9 p.m.; Aug. 28 American dinner and country dance lessons; Aug. 29, arm wrestling tournament.

Sagra del Fungo Porcino Porcino Mushroom Fair

Aug. 22-24 and Aug. 29-31 in Ronta (Borgo San Lorenzo, Florence). Food booths featuring mushroom specialties open at 7 p.m., also at noon Aug. 24 and Aug. 31; live music at 9 p.m.

Antique markets this weekend

Castiglion Fiorentino (Arezzo): Aug. 24, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Piazza del Municipio

Montevarchi (Arezzo): Aug. 24, 9 a.m. to 7 pm., Via Isidoro del Lungo and Via Poggio

Prato: Aug. 23-24, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Piazza San Francesco.

Volterra A.D. 1398 Volterra Medieval Festival

Through Aug. 24 in Volterra (Pisa). The entire town dresses up in period costumes and re-enactments of medieval trades, professions, music and food are on display everywhere. Visitors can rent a costume for the day. If you come you will exchange your euros for the medieval coins (*grossi*), which are the legal tender for the event. Entry is €10, €5 for those under 18 and over 60, free for children under 10.

Bravio delle Botti Barrels Competition and Festival

Aug. 25-31, in Montepulciano (Siena). This event dates back to the 14th century, when the race was run on horseback. Only in more recent times it has been transformed in a competition with barrels (*botti*). Since Montepulciano is famous worldwide for its red wine, Nobile di Montepulciano, the idea came about to use wine barrels for the town's eight districts to compete against each other to win the *Bravio*, a painted banner depicting the city's patron saint, Saint John.

Aug. 28: Costume parade along the streets of the historic center with knights, noblemen and flag-throwers in spectacular costumes

Aug. 31: The race takes place with contestants pushing



heavy wooden wine barrels for about a kilometer uphill along the narrow streets of the town's historic center. Each barrel is pushed by two strong *spingitori* (pushers) to the finish line in Piazza Grande. Along the way residents and fans run alongside the teams to encourage them. The winners receive the *Bravio* at the end of the race in Piazza Grande.

Water parks, adventure parks, museums

Acqua Village Park

In Cecina (Livorno), Via Tevere 25. Open through Aug. 31, admission is €23, €16 for children ages 3-12 from 2:30 p.m. to closing; free for under 3 and above 70.

Acqua Village Park

In Follonica (Arezzo), Via R. Sanzio; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; admission: €20 and €15 from 3 p.m. to closing; reduced €15 for children 3-12 and €10 after 2:30 p.m.; free for children under 3 and senior citizens over 70.

Il Cavallino Matto

In Marina di Castagneto (Livorno), Via Po 1; open through Sept. 10; on Halloween (Oct. 13, 20, 26 and Nov. 1-2); admission: €22; free entrance for children not taller than 39.37 inches and for disabled; reduced €17 for children not taller than 51.18 inches.

Acquario dell'Elba
Elba's Aquarium

In Marina di Campo (Elba Island, Livorno), Via Segagnana. Open until Sept. 9, from 9 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Admission is €9, €4 for children aged 3-12.

Acquario di Livorno
Livorno Aquarium

In Livorno, Piazzale Mascagni 1. Open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. throughout August; Sept. 1-14, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Sept. 15-28, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is €13, €7 for children under 13 years old and taller than 39.37 inches; free for children shorter than 39.37 inches; €10 for seniors over 65.

L'Acquario mediterraneo dell'Argentario
Argentario's Mediterranean Aquarium

In Porto S. Stefano (Grosseto), Lungomare dei Navigatori 44. Daily through the end of August, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 4-8 p.m. Admission is €5, €2 for seniors over 65 and children ages 5-12.

Antro del Corchia
Corchia Underground

In Levigliani di Stazzema (Lucca), Via IV Novembre 70. The caves are open daily in August with the first two-hour guided tour beginning at 10 a.m. Entry is €13, €11 for children ages 5-14.

Centro Faunistico Parco Gallorose
Gallorose Park Wildlife Center

In Cecina (Livorno), Via Aurelia Sud (Cedrina). See more than 14,000 plants and flowers, domestic and exotic animals and birds. Open through Oct. 15 from 9:30 a.m. to sunset. Admission is €7, €6 for children under 8.

Giardino Zoologico
Zoological garden

In Pistoia, Via Pieve a Celle 160/A. Open daily 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Admission is €15, €11 for children ages 3-10 and €14 for seniors over 65.

Parco Avventura
Adventure Park

In Fosdinovo (Massa Carrara). Bungee trampoline, mountain bike course and six different levels of aerial obstacle courses from children's level to an acrobatic course for adults with suspended obstacles, wings and ladders. Open through Sept. 14 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Admission is €21, €16 for children under 18 accompanied by an adult, €9 for children.

Parco Avventura il Gigante
Park Adventure The Giant

In Vaglia (Florence), Via Fiorentina 276. Open daily through Sept. 10 from 10 a.m. to sunset. Enjoy wild outdoor adventures in total safety and an environmentally nondestructive surrounding. Admission is €18, €14 for children 8-11, €12 for children 7-8. The butterfly course for children 3-5 is €10.

Parco di Pinocchio
Pinocchio Park

In Collodi (Pistoia), Via S. Gennaro 3. Pinocchio was the brain child of Florentine writer Carlo Lorenzini, known by the pseudonym of Carlo Collodi, which was taken from the name of his mother's native village. Walking through this park, visitors meet all the main protagonists of the story. Open through Nov. 2 from 8:30 a.m. to sunset. Admission is €12, discounted €9.



Bravio delle Botti



Giardino Garzoni

Storico Giardino Garzoni e Collodi Butterfly House Garzoni Historical Garden - Collodi Butterfly House

In Collodi (Pistoia), Piazza della Vittoria 3. Open through October from 9 a.m. to sunset. Admission fees are Garden + Butterfly House, €13; €10 for children aged 3-14 and senior citizens over 65; cumulative ticket Garden + Butterfly House + Pinocchio Park, €21, reduced €17.

Area antique markets Aug. 23-24

Castiglion Fiorentino (Arezzo): Aug. 24, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Piazza del Municipio

Montevarchi (Arezzo): Aug. 24, 9 a.m. to 7 pm., Via Isidoro del Lungo and Via Poggio

Prato: Aug. 23-24, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., Piazza San Francesco.

SPORTING EVENTS

NCAA College Basketball Tour: Aug. 25, Boston University vs. All Star Man, in Vicenza, Sports Center, Via Carlo Goldoni, 32. Free tickets, compliments of the organization, are available at www.collegebasketballtour.com Scroll down the home page, select the day the event and click on compra bigliettionline. Enter USAG in the promotional code space, specify the number of tickets you need and print out your tickets.

Formula 1 Gran Prix: Sept. 5-7 in Monza

MotoGP-Italian Grand Prix: Sept. 12-14 at Misano Circuit, San Marino

Volleyball Women's World Championship: Oct. 8-12 in Assago (Milan)

Masters of Dirt-Freestyle Motocross Show: Oct. 22 in Assago (Milan), Oct. 26-26 in Pesaro

Supercross and Freestyle Motocross: Nov. 1 in Genova

WWE Live: Nov. 14 in Assago (Milan); Nov. 15 in Bolzano

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CONCERTS

Shaggy - Aug. 28 in Mestre

Horace Andy and Sud Sound System - Aug. 29 in Mestre

Blondie - Sept. 3 in Segrate (Milan)

Alpha Blondy - Sept. 3 in Sesto San Giovanni

Gloria Gaynor - Sept. 21 in Milan

Pharrell Williams - Sept. 20 in Assago (Milan)

Passenger - Oct. 10 in Milan

Anastacia - Oct. 27 in Milan, Oct. 29 in Rome and Nov. 1 in Padova

Lady Gaga - Nov. 4 in Assago (Milan)

Michael Bublé - Nov. 8 in Casalecchio di Reno (Bologna)

Lenny Kravitz - Nov. 10 in Assago (Milan)

Sharon Jones and the Dap-Kings - Nov. 11 in Milan

Future - Nov. 11 in Milan

John Legend - Nov. 11 in Rome, Nov. 12 in Padova

One Republic - Nov. 17 in Assago (Milan)

Ed Sheeran - Nov. 20 in Milan

Peter Gabriel - Nov. 20 in Turin; Nov. 21 in Casalecchio di Reno (Bologna)

Billy Idol - Nov. 23 in Milan

Patti Smith - Dec. 1 in Bergamo, Dec. 2 in Parma, Dec. 5 in Udine

Elton John and Band - Dec. 4 in Assago (Milan)

Glenn Miller Orchestra - Dec. 13 in Padova

Stromae - Dec. 15 in Assago (Milan), Dec. 17 in Rome

Tickets at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center or online.



Lenny Kravitz to play Milan

2014-2015 Dates to Remember

Location:

Outdoor Recreation Classroom
Caserma Ederle, Building 249

Orientation:

Tuesday, August 19th at 6 p.m.

Sign-up:

Thursday, August 21st at 6 p.m.

**"Outdoor Emergency Care" (OEC)
Classes:**

Every Wednesday at 6 p.m. starting
August 27th through November.
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Can we all fit?

University of Michigan basketball team members check out the heavy equipment on a tour of Caserma Del Din Aug. 20 before playing a friendly exhibition game in Vicenza later that day. The hoopsters ate lunch with Soldiers at the Dining Facility and held an autograph and photo session.

Photo by Julie M. Lucas



Community news briefs

Soldiers' Theatre

The Music Café returns to the Soldiers' Theatre tonight, Aug. 22, at 7:30 p.m. with free hamburgers and hotdogs provided by the USO. Join in with other musicians to show off your musical talent and enjoy others performing in a relaxed, casual atmosphere. Bring your own ax or play the house guitars and keyboards. Sound, lights, amps and drums are ready to go.

Auditions for Absolute Laughter, the first show of the Soldiers' Theatre 2014-2015 season will be held Aug. 25 at 6:30 p.m. All members of the Vicenza Military Community are welcome to get involved, learn about theatre and audition for this series of short comedies. A large cast is being sought, age 16 and up, no experience is necessary. Performances will run from Sept. 26 to Oct. 5.

No Ice Bucket Challenge in uniform

The Ice Bucket Challenge has gone viral on social media, and who wouldn't want to be dunked with cold water for a great cause? But remember: Soldiers and federal employees have limits to activities which may give an impression of government endorsement. As a Soldier, you may not endorse any fundraising challenges while in uniform, but are free to do so off-duty and in civilian attire. If you have questions or concerns, check with your chain of command.

SFL TAP to offer services on Del Din

The Soldier for Life Transition Assistance Program (SFL TAP) (formerly known as Army Career and Alumni Program or ACAP) will begin offering services at its Liaison office on Caserma Del Din beginning Sept. 2. The office is in Building 10, Room 1025.

The schedule is: Tuesday, SFL TAP counselor, 9 a.m. to noon, education counselor, noon to 3 p.m.; Wednesday, SFL TAP counselor, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Thursday, financial counselor, 9 a.m. to noon, and VA benefits adviser, noon to 3 p.m. The staffing schedule is subject to change; please call 634-7188/7189 or email usarmy.vicenza.imcom-europe.mbx.acap@mail.mil to confirm. The SFL TAP Center in Building 126 on Caserma Ederle is open Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Del Din MPD hours

The Military Personnel Division Office on Caserma Del Din will be open Monday to Wednesday and Friday from 1:30-3:45 only through Sept. 19. At other times, services are readily available on Caserma Ederle. Call 637-2125 or 0444-66-2125 for assistance.

Del Din GCU accepts check deposits

The Caserma Del Din Global Credit Union ATM located in the in the Community Mail Room can now accept check deposits if the bank card being

used is either a GCU debit or ATM card; participates in the AFFN network or participates in the Accel/Exchange network. Call 0444-71-7470 or 634-7470 for details.

Barrier maintenance closures

Maintenance is presently being performed on the active barriers located at all VMC installation gates:
 Torri Warehouse: Aug. 25, 8:30 a.m.
 Lerino: Aug. 25, 2:30 p.m.
 Longare Exit: Aug. 26, 8:30 a.m.
 Longare Entrance: Aug. 26, 2:30 p.m.
 Caserma Ederle Gate 2 (Chapel gate): Aug. 27, 9 a.m.
 Caserma Ederle Gate 5 (Bus gate): Aug. 27, 11 a.m.
 Longare Gate 2: Aug. 28, 9 a.m.
 Del Din ACP: Aug. 29, 8 a.m.
 Del Din Overwatch: Aug. 29, 2 p.m.
 Del Din Traffic arms: Aug. 29, 2 p.m.
 Caserma Ederle Gate 4 (Housing gate): Aug. 30, 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
 Villaggio Housing: Aug. 30, 6-10 a.m.
 Some rerouting may occur during

maintenance. Maintenance in Vicenza is scheduled to be complete on Aug. 30. For details call 634-6779/8521.

IACS office hours

The Pass and Badge (IACS) office located in Building 4B on Caserma Ederle is open for service workdays from 8:30 a.m. till noon and from 1-4:30 p.m. Call 634-8521/6744 for assistance.

USAHC hours of operation

The U.S. Army Health Center on Caserma Ederle will be closed Aug. 29 and Sept. 1. The San Bortolo Hospital patient liaisons will be available on a 24/7 and can be reached at 0444-75-3300, 0444-928-166 or 634-8384.

CIF September closure

The Central Issue Facility will be closed Sept. 2-12 to conduct annual inventory and will resume normal operating hours Sept. 15. The CIF will support any emergency situations that may arise and request that customers plan accordingly. Call 634-

3919 for assistance.

Safety recalls

The Consumer Product Safety Commission publishes product safety recalls to <http://www.cpsc.gov/>
 ESL, Interlogix hard-wired smoke alarms recalled due to failure to alert consumers of a fire
 CoScentrix recalls candles in metal tins due to fire hazard; sold exclusively at Hobby Lobby
 VIZIO recalls to repair 39- and 42-inch e-series flat panel televisions due to risk of tip over
 Johnson Outdoors Diving recalls dive computers due to injury hazard
 Samson International recalls bar stool due to fall hazard; sold exclusively at Costco
 Call Garrison Safety with questions or concerns at 634-8109/8023/7045.

Got Vote? 5-K Run

Don't miss the Got Vote? 5-K Run Aug. 26 at 6:30 a.m. on the Caserma Ederle track. All are welcome.

At the movies



When the Game Stands Tall

The game in this case is the incredible journey of legendary football coach Bob Ladouceur, who led the De La Salle High School Spartans of Concord, California, from obscurity to a 151-game winning streak that ran from 1992 to 2004, shattering all records for any American sport. Stars Jim Caviezel, Alexander Ludwig and Michael Chiklis.

Ederle Theater

Aug. 22	7 p.m.	If I Stay (PG-13)
	10 p.m.	Deliver Us from Evil (R) *
Aug. 23	3 p.m.	The Expendables 3 (PG-13) *
	6 p.m.	Let's Be Cops (R)
Aug. 24	3 p.m.	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (PG-13)
	6 p.m.	Hercules in 3D (PG-13) *
Aug. 27	11 a.m.	Tammy (R)
	7 p.m.	If I Stay (PG-13)
Aug. 28	7 p.m.	Let's Be Cops (R)
Aug. 29	7 p.m.	When the Game Stands Tall (PG) *
	10 p.m.	The November Man (R) *
Aug. 30	3 p.m.	When the Game Stands Tall (PG) *
	6 p.m.	The November Man (R) *
Aug. 31	3 p.m.	When the Game Stands Tall (PG) *
	6 p.m.	As Above, So Below (R) *
Sept. 3	11 a.m.	If I Stay (PG-13)
	7 p.m.	Dawn of the Planet of the Apes (PG-13)
Sept. 4	7 p.m.	Hercules (PG-13)

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

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

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

Chapel activities

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

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

Thursday

9:30 a.m.: St. Mark's Catholic Women

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

Call 634-7519 or 0444-71-7519 for information on Vicenza Chapel activities

Camp Darby

Sunday Services

11:15 a.m.: Protestant worship and children's service

Catholic Mass: Call the Chapel at 633-7267 to confirm times; they vary depending on who celebrates 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

Chaplain Crisis Line

To reach a Chaplain after duty hours, call **634-KARE (634-5273)**

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VMC faith group contacts

Bahá'í Faith: Call 348-603-2283

Church of Christ: Call at 388-253-9749 or 324-623-7921 or send email: vicenzaitalychurchofchrist@gmail.com

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

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

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.

Friday: Potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. with Walk in the Word following. Call 0444-581-427 for more information or if you need transportation.

Music activities at the chapel

Tuesday, 5 p.m.: Contemporary Praise band practice

Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.: Catholic choir practice

Wednesday, 6:45 p.m.: Gospel choir practice

Thursday, 5:30 p.m.: Gospel choir rehearsal



Latter-day Saints get-together in Vicenza

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints invites one and all to spend an evening learning about the history of pioneers in the United States. The program will include true stories of pioneers crossing the plains, traditional

pioneer music, games for children, food samples, recipes and cooking lessons, and an introduction to searching your family history. You can learn about your ancestry. This family-

friendly, free event will take place Aug. 23 from 4-6 p.m. at the LDS meeting house in Vicenza. Limited parking is available in the area. Call 634-5692, 0444-71-5692 or 348-002-6629 for details.



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