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Give because you care
Campaign kicks off

VICENZA -- The opportunity to extend your service by giving to favorite charities through the Combined Federal Campaign-Overseas (CFC-O) begins today.

The CFC-O, which ends Nov. 20, is the annual workplace giving campaign for the five overseas, unified combatant commands. The campaign raised more than $8 million in 2014, demonstrating the generosity of overseas Department of Defense uniformed and civilian personnel. This year, organizers encourage everyone to live the spirit of the campaign and "give because you care."

Serving overseas often provides a unique opportunity to see firsthand the hardships people face around the world: hunger, limited access to medical care, and lack of educational opportunities, to name a few. Pledging through CFC-O offers another opportunity to touch the lives of people in military communities, across the nation and around the world.

A contribution to one of the thousands of charities in the CFC-O provides help and hope to those in need in so many ways. Here are just some of the ways your gift can help those in need at home, across the country and around the world:

•$10 helps provide health care services to one mother and her baby, from pregnancy to post-delivery

•$20 provides school supplies for a child for a year

•$50 feeds a child one meal a day for a year

•$100 gives wounded soldiers supplies for a comfortable journey home

Contributors may make their pledge in one of three ways:

•Electronic payroll allotments through DFAS myPay

•eGiving payments using a credit card, debit card or electronic bank transfer

•Traditional paper Pledge Cards

Pledging carries on the proud military tradition of giving help and hope to those in need, so make a pledge today.

For more information, visit www.cfcoverseas.org. Follow the campaign on and Twitter and "Like" CFC-O on Facebook.

National Disability Employment Awareness Month

"My Disability is One Part of Who I Am"

October 2015

During National Disability Employment Awareness Month, we recognize the indispensable contributions Americans with disabilities make to our Nation. The Army relies on the abilities of all to accomplish our mission. By drawing on the strengths and talents of our diverse workforce, we are better positioned to defend our Nation.

The Army expresses its sincere gratitude for the many contributions and achievements of Americans with disabilities. These extremely capable Americans, including Civilian Employees, Wounded Warriors and Disabled Veterans routinely overcome significant challenges in order to serve their country and communities. The Army is committed to showing them the same level of appreciation and dedication.

This month, join us as we recommit ourselves to implementing effective practices that increase employment opportunities for Americans with disabilities and foster an inclusive work culture that welcomes the skills and talents of all. Army Strong!

Daniel A. Dailey
Sergeant Major of the Army

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General, United States Army
Chief of Staff

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Secretary of the Army

On the cover

A U.S paratrooper from the 173rd Airborne Brigade scouts a target during combined Exercise Kepi Blanc with the French Foreign Legion in Calvi, France, Sept. 8.

See story, page 6.

Courtesy photo

Speak Out

October is Energy Action Month. How do you save energy at work and/or at home?

Giannalisa Salvatori
405th Army
Field Support Battalion Africa

"I buy energy-saving light bulbs at home and make sure every appliance is turned off when I leave work."

Senior Airman Marco Losauro
731st Munitions Squadron

"I live in the dorms; to save energy I turn the air conditioner off when I am at work and when I sleep."

Scelto Carlo Di Mare
Carabiniere

"I always turn lights off when I leave a room, and I use my washing machine in the evening when energy costs less."

By Chiara Mattirolo

Columbus Day message from IMCOM commander

HALVERSON

The landing of Columbus in the New World is celebrated as Columbus Day in the United States, as Discovery Day in the Bahamas, and as Día de las Américas (Day of the Americas) in Belize and Uruguay. In 1792, New York City and other U.S. cities celebrated the 300th anniversary of his landing in the New World, and President Benjamin Harrison called upon the people of the United States to celebrate Columbus Day on the 400th anniversary of the event, as well. Though people have celebrated Columbus' voyage since the colonial period, Columbus Day first became an official state holiday in Colorado in 1906, and didn't became a federal holiday in the United States until 1937.

Since Columbus Day is a federal holiday and three-day weekend, many of our Soldiers, Army Civilians, and their Families will take advantage of one of the last opportunities to enjoy the great outdoors before winter sets in. This increases the risk of accidents, and we all need to do our part to keep our Army Family strong and safe.

Many of you have teenaged drivers, and special precautions are warranted. Even though obtaining a driver license is a much more in-depth process than it used to be, state laws may not be enough to fully protect new teen drivers. Household rules about passengers, nighttime driving, and cell phone use can fill gaps in state laws. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration developed a model of what is known as graduated driver licensing, and additional resources can be found here: http://www.nhtsa.gov/Driving+Safety.

Shorter days and cooler evenings mean fall is here – and this is often the time that we start seeing people sick with flu. By getting a flu vaccine for yourself and your entire family every season, you can help prevent flu-related illness, missed school, and missed work. Also, keeping your hands clean is one of the best ways to keep from getting sick and avoid spreading germs to others.

Finally, fall marks the start of football season, and many of you have loved ones participating. To help ensure the health and safety of our young athletes, CDC developed the "Heads Up: Concussion in Youth Sports" initiative to offer information about concussions - a type of traumatic brain injury - to coaches, parents, and athletes involved in youth sports. The "Heads Up" initiative provides important information on preventing, recognizing, and responding to a concussion.

Safety never takes time off, so we all need to work together to remain vigilant to prevent on- and off-duty accidents this Columbus Day weekend. CSM Hartless and I cannot express how proud we are of your efforts to truly make IMCOM the Army's Home... Let's make it a safe home, as well.

Red Ribbon Week begins Oct. 23

VICENZA -- The Red Ribbon Campaign is the oldest and largest drug prevention program in the nation, reaching millions of young people during Red Ribbon Week, Oct. 23-31 each year. The mission of the Red Ribbon Campaign is to present a unified and visible commitment towards the creation of a drug-free America.

The National Family Partnership organized the first Red Ribbon campaign in 1985 in response to the kidnapping, torture and murder of Drug Enforcement Agency Agent Enrique Camarena.

Camarena had been working undercover in Guadalajara, Mexico, for more than four years and his efforts led to the discovery of a multimillion-dollar narcotics manufacturing operation. On Feb. 7, 1985, Camarena left his office in Mexico City , and five men appeared at the agent's side and shoved him into a car. One month later his body was found with signs of torture.

In honor of Camarena's memory and his battle against illegal drugs, friends and neighbors in his hometown began to wear red ribbons. California Congressman Duncan Hunter and teacher David Dhillon launched "Camarena Clubs" in California high schools. They embraced his belief that one person can make a difference, and they also adopted the symbol of Camarena's memory, the red ribbon.

In 1986, club members presented a proclamation to Nancy Reagan First Lady of the United States, who had initiated nationwide anti-drug programs. The following year, parent-teacher organizations in California, Illinois and Virginia wore the red ribbons in late October and November. In 1988, National Family Partnership organized the first National Red Ribbon Week.

In 1990, Department of Defense joined in the national effort by commencing a program to encourage service members to keep communities drug-free and to recognize outstanding outreach programs.

Today, the Red Ribbon serves as a catalyst to mobilize communities to educate youth and encourage participation in drug prevention activities. Since that time, the campaign has reached millions. This year's Red Ribbon Week theme is, "Respect Yourself. Be Drug Free."

For more information on the Red Ribbon campaign, visit http://redribbon.org/, or contact ASAP Prevention at 634-7858.

Italy to Ukraine

Paratroopers travel through allied countries in convoy

By **Sgt. A.M. LaVey**
173rd Airborne Brigade PAO

VICENZA -- Paratroopers from the 173rd Airborne Brigade completed a 1,850 km convoy from Italy to Yavoriv, Ukraine, in support of Operation Fearless Guardian, Sept. 11.

"The convoy demonstrates the effectiveness of the cooperation between the 173rd Abn. Bde. and our European allies and partners," said Capt. Joshua Gilly, transportation planner for the 173rd Airborne Brigade Support Battalion.

"The long drive from Italy to Ukraine would not be possible without allied assistance -- it's been truly a multinational effort."

This convoy, the third in support of paratroopers deployed to Fearless Guardian, the training of Ukraine's newly formed national guard, syncs with the beginning of third training rotation by the 173rd.

Along the route, paratroopers met with host-nation officials and engaged with the local populace.

"It was nice to meet people on the way; people seemed happy to see us," said 2nd Lt. Amanda Dolsen, convoy commander. "I was excited to meet with Ukrainians, who were excited that we are contributing to the efforts for a better Ukraine."

Fearless Guardian is the name for the congressionally approved, Departments of State and Defense initiative under the Global Security Contingency Fund-Ukraine.

The paratroopers are in Ukraine at the request of the Ukrainian government to train several battalions of the newly established Ukrainian national guard. The training is scheduled to last until November.

Sgt. John Palmieri, fueler from Company A, 173rd Brigade Support Battalion, 173rd Airborne Brigade, conducts refueling operations at a stop in Hungary during a convoy from Italy to Ukraine, in support of Operation Fearless Guardian. (Courtesy photo)

US, Dutch build communications interoperability

Dutch army Sgt. 1st Class Jan Klerx, left, and U.S. Army Spc. Adams conduct secure radio interoperability validation using a tactical voice bridge radio as part of Exercise Strong Engineer in Marche-en-Famenne, Belgium, Sept. 10. (Courtesy photo)

US, French Foreign Legion conduct training in Corsica

By **1st Lt. Stefan Gazda**
173rd Airborne Brigade

CALVI, France -- Paratroopers assigned to 173rd Airborne Brigade conducted bilateral training with the French 2nd Foreign Parachute Regiment, French Foreign Legion, during Exercise Kepi Blanc here, Sept. 1-16.

Kepi Blanc, named for the distinctive headgear worn by the Foreign Legion, is a training exercise between the United States and France designed to strengthen NATO capabilities through allied training and to establish a lasting partnership between the countries' airborne units.

"It was a great training opportunity to expand our interoperability between our NATO allies," said Sgt. 1st Class Ronald Cole, scout platoon sergeant, 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment. "It was the first time our unit has worked with the French Foreign Legion and hopefully we have opened the doors for future training with them."

Paratroopers began by conducting combined marksmanship training and exchanging close-quarters marksmanship training techniques. During that time, the legionnaires, who qualified with the U.S. standards, were awarded U.S. marksmanship badges.

The focus shifted the second week when U.S. paratroopers integrated into the legion's yearly platoon validation course, a field training exercise executed over the entirety of northwestern Corsica with long foot movements over dense mountainous terrain.

Allied paratroopers conducted multiple platoon-level training lanes, with challenges such as water crossings and intensive mountain movements. The event concluded with a test of the U.S. scout platoon's capabilities.

The platoon executed 24-hour reconnaissance and surveillance near Lumio, Corsica, beginning with a nighttime 9 km march through the countryside and a clandestine movement through the city. The platoon then climbed a 2,500-foot mountain and established surveillance sites, providing intelligence collection and reporting to legionnaires. French paratroopers then used information gathered by the Americans to conduct a raid.

"I have enjoyed our time training with the 173rd Airborne Brigade," said French Maj. Jean Baptiste, an operations officer with the 2nd Regiment. "It was a unique experience training with the scout platoon - we do not have a unit like this in the French Foreign Legion."

After this exercise, scout platoon is scheduled to conduct another combined training, this time with 8th Engineer Regiment of the Italian army's Folgore Airborne Brigade. *(See related photo, cover)*

Apply now for leadership award

WIESBADEN, Germany -- The nomination window for the annual Gen. Douglas MacArthur Leadership Awards competition is now open.

United States Army Europe G1 will accept packets until Nov. 1. All nominees will be evaluated on their overall leadership performance during 2015.

The Army introduced the GDMLA program in 1987 to recognize company-grade and junior warrant officers who demonstrate MacArthur's ideals of "Duty, Honor, Country," and have a proven record of extraordinary performance, leadership and achievement. It promotes and sustains effective junior officer leadership in the Army and is open to second lieutenants through captains and warrant officers through chief warrant officers 2.

Packets must contain a variety of pieces, and GDMLA program overseers are encouraging everyone to start the process as soon as possible.

Winners at USAREUR level will move forward to compete against junior leaders from other major Army commands, where only a few select officers and warrant officers in the active, National Guard and Reserve components across the Army will receive the award.

For more information on eligibility and nomination requirements, contact your unit's personnel office. For more information on the McArthur Leadership Award Program, visit the Army G-1 website at http://www.armyg1.army.mil/macarthur/default.asp.

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Staff Sgt. Justin Johnson, a jumpmaster with 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade, conducts a T-11 parachute familiarization course with Hungarian paratroopers from the 88th Light Mixed Battalion, 25th Infantry. (Courtesy photo)

US, Hungary conduct joint emergency deployment exercise

By **Sgt. A.M. LaVey**
173rd Airborne Brigade PAO

AVIANO AIR BASE -- American and Hungarian paratroopers conducted a combined emergency deployment readiness exercise Sept. 14 as part of Exercise Brave Warrior, a combined joint forcible entry exercise into Gyor, Hungary.

As the U.S. Army Contingency Response Force in Europe, 173rd Airborne Brigade has a rotating element always standing by, ready to deploy at a moment's notice.

In order to maintain this high state of readiness, the brigade has near-constant training exercises so its paratroopers will be ready should a call come.

One way these paratroopers are tested is through the use of an Emergency Deployment Readiness Exercise, which engages the 18-hour sequence with no notice.

"We do these types of exercises to test our readiness and to maintain our readiness for real-world notification," said Capt. Will Ryan, operational planning officer with 1st Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment. "We never know whether or not this is an exercise, so each time we receive a notification like this, we expect it to be real -- this adds to a heightened sense of alertness."

Paratroopers from Company B, 1st Bn. were put through the test when they received a predawn notification on Sept. 15.

"We got the call at 4 a.m. and marshaled in our battalion area," said Ryan. "We immediately conducted troops leading procedures, loaded transportation and moved to Aviano Air Base. Upon arrival we continued our planning process and began preparation for the airborne operation."

Paratroopers received an order from U.S. European Command in support of Exercise Dragoon Crossing, to liaise with Hungarian paratroopers from 88th Light Mixed Battalion, 25th Infantry Brigade, Hungarian Defense Forces. The two forces were to conduct a combined airborne assault into Gyor-Per airport followed by a 15 km tactical road march to secure a bridgehead on the southern bank of the Mosoni-Duna river, in preparation for U.S. troops to cross into Hungary.

Approximately 500 Soldiers from the U.S. 4th Infantry Division and 2nd Cavalry Regiment are conducting 800 km vehicle road march using nearly 40 Stryker combat vehicles along with 70 support vehicles from Rose Barracks, Germany, through the Czech and Slovak Republics, ending with a combined U.S. and Hungarian exercise in Hungary.

Once U.S. and Hungarian paratroopers arrive at the bridge, they will secure the site so military engineers can conduct bridging operations, allowing vehicles to cross the river.

The Hungarian paratroopers from 88th Light Mixed Bn. have a history with 173rd, training with the brigade earlier this year. During this exercise and the previous one, the Hungarians deployed with 173rd from Aviano in order to conduct face-to-face combined planning and become more proficient with U.S. parachute equipment.

Historic redesignation better supports readiness

By **Steven Stanfill**
405th Army FSB PAO

TUSCANY -- A new era began in the heart of Tuscany Oct. 1.

The Army Field Support Battalion-Italy, under the command of Lt. Col. Joe Greenlee, officially redesignated to Army Field Support Battalion-Africa.

"The Soldiers, Department of Army civilians, and Italian employees of the Army Field Support Battalion have served here for over 60 years executing the mission of the Army Materiel Command and the Army Sustainment Command delivering readiness to warfighters around the globe on time, every time," said Col. Todd Bertulis, commander, 405th Army Field Support Brigade.

The depot at Camp Darby has been in existence since 1951. It was originally constructed to support the U.S. forces in Austria during the occupation in 1951-1952. In 1954-1955, the depot became a part of the U.S. Army Europe Depot system.

The AFSBn receives, maintains, stores and issues Army Prepositioned Stocks; links national logistics capabilities and provides logistics solutions to Army units "South of the Alps," especially 173rd Airborne Combat Brigade, U.S. Army Africa, and other strategic partners, to support geographic combatant commander priorities and to enable readiness.

The ceremony marks a new chapter in the battalion's history and highlights AMC's commitment to being the premier provider of readiness to Africa.

Ultimately, AFSBn-Africa will be the portal to the AMC enterprise, helping to ensure Soldiers execute missions throughout the continent with trust in their equipment.

"We are proud to be a part of a great team of teams; we are ready; and we look forward to delivering readiness solutions to the United States Army Africa Command," Bertulis said.

(Above) The Army Field Support Battalion-Italy officially redesignated to Army Field Support Battalion-Africa in a ceremony at Camp Darby Oct. 1. (Photo by Chiara Mattirolo)

(Below) Maj. Gen. Kevin O'Connell (left), commanding general, U.S. Army Sustainment Command, and Maj. Gen. Darryl Williams, commanding general, U.S. Army Africa, unveil the new branding of the Logistics Support Team-Africa, as Lt. Col. Joe Greenlee, Army Field Support Battalion-Africa commander, looks on. (Photo by Laura Kreider, USAG Italy PAO)

See related story, page 29.

Road march commemorates Operation Market Garden

By **Sgt. Daniel Cole**
USAREUR Public Affairs

First Lt. Jeffrey Kim, a paratrooper with 173rd Airborne Brigade, stops at the grave of a British paratrooper at Oosterbeek cemetery Sept. 17 during a commemorative road march to pay tribute to those who jumped here as part of Operation Market. (U.S. Army photo)

HARSKAMP, Netherlands -- An overcast and rainy day did not stop paratroopers from the United States, Netherlands, Poland, Belgium, United Kingdom, Germany and Italy from marching 17 km. Sept. 17 in commemoration of their lost brothers and sisters who fought on the same ground here 71 years ago.

"We still commemorate Market Garden because we still commemorate the Second World War," said Dutch Maj. Gwenda Nielen, a paratrooper with 11th Air Mobility Brigade and event organizer. "We do not want to forget what happened, to remember how important it is to have freedom and how important it is to have an army that is well trained and professional."

> *"Being able to do this together really creates strong bonds."*
> *--Capt. Shane Covert*
> *54th Engineer Battalion*

Seventy-one years prior, the largest airborne operation in history began here. Operation Market, the airborne half of the attack, and Operation Garden, the ground forces part, lasted from Sept. 17 to Sept. 25 and dropped members from the 101st Airborne Division, 82nd Airborne Division, the British 1st Airborne Division and the Polish 1st Independent Parachute Brigade far behind enemy lines into Nazi territory.

At first, it seemed like the plan to launch the 14,500 paratroopers and 20,000 glider troopers into Holland was going to be successful after American troops seized several bridges, which were the main key strategic objectives to be taken.

Ultimately, the mission was unsuccessful because of fierce German resistance, who halted the allied paratroopers from seizing their objectives and successfully delayed the relief of allied ground forces.

The road march was important to organizers who wanted to commemorate the sacrifices on both sides of Market Garden, and to celebrate the ties they currently enjoy as NATO allies. It was also a chance to experience history, and walk the route British and Polish paratroopers took from their drop zone in Ginkels Heide to their final point of advance in Arnhem.

Command Sgt. Maj. Travis Crow, battalion command sergeant major of 173rd Airborne Brigade's 54th Brigade Engineer Battalion, said the walk is a way for the paratroopers from the various countries to bond and tell stories about their experiences, as well as pay tribute to their fellow paratroopers who were here 71 years ago.

Several stops were on the way to the culminating point at the bridge in Arnhem, now named Frost Bridge after a British commander who commanded his troops for nearly four days at the site before German tanks, artillery and infantry forced their withdrawal. Stops included the Ginkel Memorial at the start, the Oosterbeek Memorial site and the St. Elisabeths Gasthuis.

Along the route, paratroopers walked with each other, speaking and learning about the history each other's nations played, all while building individual relationships and friendships.

"Being in the military working with our allies, having a shared understanding and being able to do this [the road march] together really creates strong bonds," said Capt. Shane Covert, company commander, 54th Engineer Battalion.

Approximately 1,000 paratroopers from the seven participating nations are in the Netherlands for a series of airborne operations and ceremonies for the 71st anniversary.

National Cybersecurity Awareness Month highlights need for collective responsibility

By **Sgt. Daniel Cole**
USAREUR Public Affairs

WIESBADEN, Germany – United States Army Europe Cybersecurity officials want to remind members of the U.S. forces community in Europe that October marks the 12th annual National Cybersecurity Awareness Month, and that it's everyone's duty to protect Army information and communications.

"October's awareness month highlights this year's critical cybersecurity challenges and the importance of recognizing our shared cybersecurity responsibilities," explains Daniel Hingtgen, chief of Cybersecurity, Policy, Programs and Training for the USAREUR office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Communications (G6). "This responsibility extends from the most basic computer user to our most seasoned technical experts, and our most senior USAREUR leadership."

Cybersecurity experts explain that in today's world Internet usage is a near must, but while people routinely use the internet at work, home, for enjoyment and to connect with friends and family, being constantly connected brings increased risk of theft, fraud and abuse.

"Our reliance on critical infrastructure and the digital technology that operates it makes cybersecurity one of the U.S.'s most important national security priorities, and one in which every American has a role to play," said Hingtgen. "The slogan 'cybersecurity is a team effort' underscores that shared responsibility."

During October, USAREUR cybersecurity officials say they plan to engage the Army in Europe community through events and initiatives designed to raise awareness, educate people about cybersecurity, and increase the resiliency of cyber infrastructure to prevent or respond to cyber incidents.

Cybersecurity courses will be offered in communities across USAREUR, officials added, to provide social networking systems awareness and training to Soldiers, Department of Defense civilians, contractors and family members in the Army in Europe community.

Sessions will be offered in Vicenza on Oct. 19, 9-11 a.m. and 1:30-3:30 p.m. in the Reel Time Theater.

USAREUR's cybersecurity experts also recommended some basic, year-round cyber security tips:

- Set strong passwords and don't share them with anyone.
- Keep operating systems, browsers, and other critical software optimized by installing updates.
- Maintain an open dialogue with family, friends and community about Internet safety.
- Limit the amount of personal information you post online and use privacy settings to avoid over-sharing.
- Be cautious about what you receive or read online; if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.

For more information or questions on cybersecurity, contact your S6 shop or G6 division. For more cybersecurity tips, news, and resources highlighting NCSAM, or to post your own links and tips on social media sites, go to http://www.staysafeonline.org/ncsam/get-involved/social-media

Service members who need to complete their annually required cybersecurity training can visit: https://ia.signal.army.mil/login.asp.

CID warns of online romance scams

QUANTICO, Va. -- "He loves me, he loves me not." This phrase has been repeated by many looking for love.

In today's world of online dating and social media sites, however, the phrase may have changed from the plucking of petals to a stroke of the keys with "he is real, he is not."

With millions of Americans turning to the Internet for love and companionship, the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command warns of romance scams and impersonation fraud that drains one both emotionally and financially.

In the last six months of 2014, online romance scams have cost their victims more than $82 million, according to the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center. The average financial loss from these romance schemes is between $15,000 and $20,000.

The Criminal Investigation Command, commonly known as CID, reports many of these cyber criminals pose as U.S. Soldiers or senior Army officers and noncommissioned officers. The criminals often post official Army photographs and biographies in an attempt to build trust with their victims and lure them out of personal and financial information.

Officials warn that perpetrators use both social media and online dating sites, promising love and romance to unsuspecting victims. After the initial introduction, often through very personal, intimate conversations via instant messaging or email, scammers attempt to manipulate and exploit their victims. Tactics used by cyber criminals include preying on their victim's emotions and appealing to their sense of empathy and patriotism.

Before long, the cybercriminal makes a request for money. Complying with these requests often places the victim at risk financially and opens them up to the possibility of becoming a victim of identity theft.

"We cannot stress enough that people need to stop sending money to persons they meet on the Internet and claim to be in the U.S. military," said Chris Grey, Army CID spokesman. "It is heartbreaking to hear these stories over and over again of people who have sent thousands of dollars to someone they have never met and sometimes have never even spoken to on the phone."

Grey explained that the victims are most often unsuspecting women, 30 to 55 years old, who think they are romantically involved with American Soldiers on the Internet, when in fact they are being cyber-robbed by perpetrators thousands of miles away.

Perpetrators often take the true rank and name of a U.S. Soldier who is honorably serving somewhere in the world, or has even left the service, and post that information with photographs of a Soldier downloaded from the Internet. Many of them state they are serving in a combat zone or foreign country, most often West African countries. The perpetrators give excuses for needing money, to include medical care, to return to the states, to sell their car, and to help their children.

"These thieves are very good at what they do. They manipulate the emotions of their victims and will make claims about Army regulations that the public does not know are incorrect," Grey said. "The majority of the time, the service member is not even aware their name and photo is being used in this way."

Investigators urge the public to consider the following:

Be extremely suspicious if you are asked for money for transportation costs, communication fees or marriage processing and medical fees. DON'T EVER SEND MONEY!

If you do start an internet-based relationship with someone, research what they are telling you with someone who would know, such as a current or former service member.

Be very suspicious if you never actually speak with the person on the phone or are told you cannot write or receive letters in the mail. Servicemen and women serving overseas will often have an APO or FPO mailing address.

Many negative claims made about the military and the supposed lack of support and services provided to troops overseas are inaccurate. Check the facts.

Be suspicious if you are asked to send money or ship property to a third party or company. Often, the company exists but has no idea or is not a part of the scam.

Be aware of common spelling, grammatical or language errors in the emails. *(CID Public Affairs)*

Where to go for help:

Report the theft to the Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) (FBI-NW3C Partnership). Online: http://www.ic3.gov/default.aspx

Report the theft to the Federal Trade Commission. Your report helps law enforcement officials across the United States in their investigations. Online: http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft

By phone: 1-877-ID-THEFT (438-4338) or TTY, 1-866-653-4261

By mail: Identity Theft Clearinghouse, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, DC 20580

Report the fraud to the Federal Trade Commission on Nigerian Scams via email: spam@uce.gov

For more information on CID visit www.cid.army.mil.

It's the time of year to get out and Meet the Mayors

Soldiers, family and community members learn about local events and foods from the area at a Meet the Mayors event. Last year's event featured more than 50 city mayors, with translators on hand to help. (File photo by Laura Kreider, USAG Italy PAO)

VICENZA -- The seventh annual Meet the Mayors event is planned for Oct. 20, 4-6 p.m., in the Golden Lion conference center on Caserma Ederle, and everyone in the Vicenza military community is invited to attend.

Mayors, council members, and cultural and tourism representatives from some 120 Italian townships in the Vicenza and Padova provinces have been invited to join this informal fair, said Anna Ciccotti, USAG Italy community relations officer, who is planning the event.

The fair will give Soldiers, civilians and their families a chance to find out about the places where they live, while giving local Italian leaders an opportunity to meet and talk to base leadership.

"Meet the Mayors brings our two communities together and gives Italian locals an opportunity to share their cultural heritage and natural beauty with Americans," Ciccotti said. "Mayors and their representatives are proud to come and excited to shar their towns and tips to help American families get to know their communities."

For Italians, Meet the Mayors is a unique occasion to gather and showcase Americans that proud heritage that is on display all around throughout the seasons in the form of festivals, museums, historic sites, markets and shops selling arts-and crafts products, typical wines and regional foods.

Members of the American community can come out and get to know the towns around post where in fact most families have found their new home in Italy and see what they have to offer practically on our doorstep. They can engage their "Sindaco," ask questions about local activities and learn directly from the first citizens what makes each town special and worth a day trip.

It is a fun, relationship-building tradition that brings forth also a subtle yet friendly competition between the towns in attendance, Ciccotti said. "Each mayor can rightfully boast about the beautiful art, natural resources, foods and wines of his/her town and at the end of day they all win," she said.

At previous events representatives from local towns took part, bringing giveaways, maps, brochures and pamphlets. Many guests also offered a samplings of local culinary specialties.

A team of volunteer interpreters recruited within the garrison will be on hand at the informational tables for one of the most popular events here in community.

At the end of the public forum, the mayors will join post leadership for informal networking reception. *(USAG Italy PAO)*

Junior officers can attend law school on Army dime

WIESBADEN, Germany -- Are you an active-duty commissioned officer and interested in law? The Funded Legal Education Program can help.

The Funded Legal Education Program provides 25 active-duty lieutenants or captains the opportunity obtain a legal education at government expense. Officers with two to six years of total active federal service at the time legal training begins are eligible.

Details regarding FLEP eligibility, the application process and service obligation are outlined in Army Regulation 27-1, Chapter 14 (AR 27-1). The eligibility requirements in AR 27-1 are statutory and cannot be waived.

The U.S. Army Europe Office of the Judge Advocate can help interested lieutenants and captains learn more and apply for the program. Application deadline is Nov. 1, and interested applicants are encouraged to visit the program website.

Darby manager introduces himself to community

Story and photo
by **Chiara Mattirolo**
DMC Public Affairs Office

David Leinberger speaks to members of the Darby Military Community Sept. 24.

LIVORNO -- Darby Military Community's new Deputy Garrison Manager David Leinberger introduced himself and defined his expectations in a town hall meeting held at the post theater here Sept. 24.

Leinberger introduced himself as a coffee drinker, family man and a bicycle rider who, between of all these roles, works as a manager taking care of people, resources and real property.

Immediately following the introduction, U.S. Army Garrison Italy Deputy Garrison Commander Wesley Leisinger made an official announcement of a reduction in force in 24 positions of host nation employees. However, Leinberger assured the community that the installation is not going anywhere.

"Camp Darby is not going away," said Leinberger. "We need to care and keep our environment clean and maintain our professional, positive attitudes."

Leinberger talked about successful people and how he approaches life in a positive way.

"Successful people compliment others, they don't criticize, they don't fear changes, they embrace them. Successful people talk about ideas, they don't talk about people, they set goals and develop life plans.

"My job here is to be the steward of resources -- for people, time and money," said Leinberger.

Developmental program celebrates graduates

SAN ANTONIO -- Director Karen Perkins and Sgt. Maj. Lon Culbreath of U.S. Army Installation Management Command Headquarters Human Resources presided over IMCOM Headquarters Developmental Assignment Program graduation at IMCOM Academy Sept. 18.

Participating employees from as far away as U.S. Army Garrison Italy spoke to the audience of staff and supervisors about what they learned in their 60-day assignments and its impact on their growth, both professionally and personally.

"As a new federal employee, DAP really helped me learn to speak the language of the Army," said Candise Wiltshire-Pharr, who completed an assignment at IMCOM headquarters public affairs.

The annual program is part of IMCOM Strategic Human Capital Plan, to develop and prepare a versatile workforce to meet the needs of Force 2025 and Beyond.

As she awarded the graduates with certificates of completion, Perkins challenged participants to continue learning.

"There's always something coming up next on the horizon," said Perkins. "The journey of self-development never ends."

The IMCOM program is critical to developing the current and future workforce. As a demonstration of the command's commitment to developing its employees, DAP offers 30- and 60-day assignments at garrisons and IMCOM headquarters in a variety of areas including training, housing management, human resources, public affairs, Army Continuing Education System and more. This year, the program included 150 developmental opportunities and a record 250 applicants.

Included in the recognition ceremony were Michael Fancher, Jade Fulce, Charlene Harry, Adriana King, Ronald Lane, Sujin McClintock, Daniela Olioso, Payton Porter, Amanda Rodriguez, Leslie Sweeney and Candise Wiltshire-Pharr.

(To see photos, go to https://www.flickr.com/photos/imcom/albums/72157657949403288.)

American Red Cross

Howl-o-ween 2015

October 23, 2015 - 1700-2000 @ Hoekstra Field

Join us as we partner with the Vicenza Vet Clinic, PCS Project of Italy, and the VFW for a PAW-TASTIC TIME!

Bring your dog dressed in a costume for the pet costume party

Compete in our best couples (human & dog) and most creative costume contest

Sign up for the next Pet First Aid course

"Hot dogs for Humans" Cookout

Face painting for the kids

Pet photo booth

*More details on our Facebook page! https://m.facebook.com/ARCVicenzA

Outlook changes format from online to newspaper

VICENZA -- The *Outlook* magazine, which has been online as a PDF since the beginning of the summer, is changing format once again.

With a new contract in hand, the U.S. Army Garrison Italy Public Affairs Office will produce a government-funded newspaper every other week for the foreseeable future. For those readers who have been in Italy and seen previous formats, the new *Outlook* will take on a similar design as seen in the past: it will be an 8- to 12-page, tabloid-sized newspaper.

The publication will still be published online, and readers will see the newspaper on stands around Caserma Ederle, Del Din and Camp Darby with the upcoming issue, Oct. 23. The newspaper will be delivered every other Friday to various locations on those installations. This is a change from Thursdays of the past. Readers should also watch for future announcements regarding new delivery options.

The Public Affairs Office looks forward to bringing a new and improved command information product to the community.

Schools play host to town hall

The Vicenza Elementary, Middle and High Schools held a town hall meeting at the Villaggio School multipurpose room Sept. 30.

VES Principal Allison Peltz, VMS Principal Stephanie M. El Sayed, and VHS Assistant Principal Fredo Ontiveros informed parents about upcoming events and answered some questions during the open forum.

The next Vicenza Complex Schools town halls are scheduled for Jan. 13 and April 6, 2016.

Photo by Laura Kreider, USAG Italy PAO

Receiving postal privileges depends upon compliance

VICENZA -- To comply with new European Command-Italian customs regulations for U.S. military mail, every sponsor must sign an acknowledgment of the system.

Sponsors should understand that the Military Postal System is for personal use and the use of sponsored family members only. They must read the Prohibited Items Trifold that clearly states the use of MPS to conduct a business or act on behalf of others not entitled to privileges is strictly prohibited. The trifold also lists the more common items that may not be shipped or received.

Sponsors will be able to sign the required acknowledgement at the Official Mail window or Parcel Pick-up counter at each Postal Service Center on Caserma Ederle, Del Din and Camp Darby. It's important to note that MPS privileges can be revoked if customs rules are violated. Mail is screened 100 percent when traveling to and from the United States.

For more information, stop by the postal service center and speak to employees or the postmaster. Postal service center hours are Monday and Wednesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (except for a Tuesday following a federal holiday, in which case the hours are 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.).

Speak Out

October is Energy Action Month. How do you save energy at work and/or at home?

Anna Aragon
USAG Italy Safety Office
"By turning off lights and electronic equipment that are not needed."

Rinaldo Todescato
266th FMSC – Italy Finance Office
"I turn off all appliances and I don't waste any water at work or at home."

Sarah Huggins
Family member
"I save energy by turning lights off when I am not using them and unplugging my appliances when they are not needed."

By
Laura Kreider

Firefighter crosses cultures to serve community

Vicenza fire inspector earns kudos, respect of fire chief, colleagues

Story by **Aaron P. Talley**
USAG Italy PAO

VICENZA-- Quickly responding to a disaster as a firefighter can be the difference between life and death. But if the person he is responding to doesn't speak his language and is in a country different from his own, a rescue could turn complicated.

For Fire Inspector Luca Giaretta, that's the scenario he faces every day.

Giaretta works for the United States Army Garrison Italy's Fire and Emergency Services Department here. He provides emergency services to Americans living and serving in the Vicenza military community.

But Giaretta is an Italian. So every day he's dealing not just with the challenges and stresses of being a firefighter, he's also having to deal with a language and culture that are very different from his own. And he has to learn how to educate and inform people in that different culture about how to stay safe.

"I really like to work with Americans because this has given me the opportunity to enjoy different people with different experiences and cultures," Giaretta said. "This challenges your mind and working together with the right people can combine the best techniques of firefighting. I have made lifelong friends who have significantly added to my life."

Giaretta started out studying law at the University of Trento when he realized that wasn't his passion. He was required by Italian law to serve for at least one year in the military, so he decided to join as a firefighter, a career he has enjoyed ever since.

"I chose to stay in this career because of the sense of excitement and satisfaction when my team works together to save lives," he said. "Everything must be done quickly and correctly while your adrenaline is pumping and what you expect is never what you really find. Your mind must be prepared to react to changing situations at any moment."

For Giaretta's boss, USAG Italy Fire Chief Scott DeLay, working with the blended community has a lot of advantages, both professionally and educationally.

"As a team we are all learning a lot about the cultural differences in community fire protection, and how we apply those differences to meet the needs and expectations of our customers," DeLay said.

DeLay's first impression of Giaretta was that of a professional who strives hard to uphold the standards. "He has ensured my initial impressions have not changed. He is a hard worker and wonderful communicator."

DeLay points out that while only about one and a half percent of the people on base utilize his department's services in an emergency capacity, 100 percent of the community utilize their other services every day. His department assists in areas like plans review processes, facility pre-fire planning, community risk assessments and hazard abatement plans.

DeLay stressed that even though his team is usually recognized by the lights and sirens of their fire trucks, Giaretta and his team work hard in the background for the safety of soldiers, civilian and family members. "They really tie the cultural and humanistic pieces together for all of our safety," DeLay said.

Giaretta recently moved into the Fire Prevention office, where he had to learn fire and safety regulations for not just Italy and America; he also had to learn U.S. Army and European standards. Then after one year in his new job he was promoted to the leader of the office. Now he has to train everyone else to understand those regulations. He and his staff, Gianluca Zaffaina and Riccardo Zancan, oversee the safety of more than 400 buildings.

For other firefighters in the department, working with Giaretta is a great experience. Capt. Ron Grajeda arrived in Vicenza 10 months ago. In that time he said he's grown to know Giaretta fairly well.

"He is an easy person to get along with and you can tell he strives to do a good job. These attributes make working alongside him an enjoyable experience," Grajeda said.

Grajeda said one of the first incidents he and Giaretta worked on together was when a large propane tank had a leak. "My crew and I were requested to stand by to provide fire protection when a contractor discovered the leak and he was expected to fix it in a not so conventional manner."

Grajeda quickly halted the operation after speaking with the worker and contacted Giaretta for support. "He and his crew quickly responded and reinforced our decision to stop the operation."

Grajeda said Giaretta was instrumental in getting key people out to mitigate a potential emergency situation. "Together, with his familiarity of contacts and our ability to identify a safety violation, we prevented a potential disaster."

Grajeda pointed out that Giaretta uses his experience working on the base to play a key role almost every day when dealing with problems that often seem to be recurring. "It's for these reasons that having an Italian workforce is important; they provide the necessary continuity to sustain the everyday mission."

While there can be cultural differences between the American and Italian firefighters, Grajeda said both sides enjoy working together and continually strive to work past their differences.

"Having people like Luca reduces the stress of that. At the end of the day I feel we both can benefit from each other. We all bring something to the table, and we need to learn from it, because together we

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Expert says domestic violence, sexual abuse on the rise in military

Story by **Ryan Moore**
Family Advocacy Program Victim Advocacy Coordinator

VICENZA -- Chief of the U.S. Army Military Police School Behavioral Sciences Education & Training Division, Russell Strand, visited USAG Italy Sept. 15-17.

Strand leads the charge in establishing, developing, producing, and conducting U.S. Army sexual assault investigations, domestic violence intervention training, child abuse prevention, and investigation techniques course. His internationally renowned expertise in these types of abuse makes him an extremely valuable resource in times when domestic and sexual violence are on the rise in the military community.

Strand was due to present here one year ago, but needed to drop the visit due to illness. Luckily, Family Advocacy Program at Army Community Service, in concert with the garrison, brigade and U.S. Army Africa SHARP teams, was able to book Strand again for 2015 under the hard work of acting FAP manager, Frannie Packard, and vital coordination of the SHARP SARCS and victim advocates.

Over the course of three days, Strand presented to 750 Soldiers, Department of the Army civilians, local authorities, local national employees, and family members about domestic violence intervention, sexual assault and child abuse at USAG Italy. Strand engaged his audiences, driving home the importance of open communication styles with the victim as well as belief in the victim. Additionally, he allowed audiences to examine methods, tactics and motives of offenders to understand how they operate and intend to remain hidden.

Russell Strand, chief of U.S. Army Military Police School Behavioral Sciences Education & Training Division, speaks to an audience in Vicenza, Sept. 16. (Courtesy photo)

According to Julia Sibilla, director, Army Community Service here, getting speakers like Strand to this installation is a real coup for the community because everyone benefits.

"Creating a strong and resilient community is our top priority, and by working together to bring resiliency building presentations and events to Vicenza, we are better able to achieve this. Frannie (Packard) and the entire ACS team worked with our resiliency partners to make Russ Strand's visit possible," said Sibilla. "We had great command support and I truly believe that all levels of our community benefitted from attending the presentations."

Already looking to the future, FAP and SHARP are discussing plans to have Strand return to USAG Italy as soon as possible, perhaps as early as 2016, to continue to impart his vast knowledge of abuse intervention techniques. If his message continues to spread, organizers hope communities will begin to see the tides turn in the battle against sexual assault, domestic violence and child abuse in the Army as a whole, as well as here in Vicenza.

Memo reminds Soldiers, civilians of drug policy

VICENZA -- A few weeks ago, the director of National Intelligence distributed a memo discussing the impact of marijuana decriminalization by several states on the federal security investigation and adjudication standards.

The bottom line is that any changes to state laws do not alter existing federal law or national security guidelines.

By Executive Order, Department of Defense is mandated to maintain a drug-free workplace and a drug-free federal workforce. Use of illegal drugs, like marijuana, may pose a risk to national security and is inconsistent with Army values and the trust placed on us as public servants.

As marijuana is a Schedule I Controlled Substance, its use is considered unlawful under federal law and therefore relevant to any suitability, fitness or clearance determinations. All personnel are reminded that favorable suitability/fitness determinations for non-sensitive civilian or contractor positions, or favorable clearance adjudications for national security positions are conditions of employment with the federal government. Unlawful use of a controlled substance may be grounds for clearance denial or revocation, or an unfavorable suitability/fitness determination, and could conceivably result in loss of your job. Supervisors are reminded they are obligated to report any credible derogatory information concerning employees to the security office.

For more information, refer to the DNI memorandum, subject: Adherence to Federal Laws Prohibiting Marijuana Use. Employees may also contact the USAG Italy Security Office at DSN 634-8998.

FPO/APO Restrictions

Goods received duty-free and/or tax-free through the Military Postal Service may not be transferred to any person not authorized to use MPS.

Italian customs officials may conduct random customs inspections at U.S. military mail facilities. All goods are subject to customs inspection.

Italian law prohibits the shipment and receipt of certain items through the mail. They include, but are not limited to, the following:

corrosives
flammable items
poison
obscene articles
intoxicating liquids
alcohol
tobacco & tobacco products
illegal drugs
weapons parts
ammunition
imitation arms, paintball guns
roasted or ground coffee
nutmeg, vanilla, salt
mineral salt, saffron
fruit & vegetables
plants, soil
salted, smoked, dried or canned meat

VMC Fall Bazaar

Vicenza Military Community members enjoy shopping at the numerous vendors from Sicily to the Netherlands at the Golden Lion Conference Center for the annual Fall Bazaar Oct. 3.

At the three-day event shoppers had the chance to purchase a variety of items from a selection of cheese, wines, Belgian chocolates, ceramics, bicycles, hats, jewelry, furniture and art.

Photos by Laura Kreider/USAG Italy PAO

Fee-free layaway is back for holidays

DALLAS – The Army & Air Force Exchange Service is bringing back fee-free layaway, just in time for early holiday shopping. The layaway program ensures plenty of time for military shoppers to pay for gifts while keeping them hidden from prying eyes.

Starting now, the Exchange will waive the $3 service fee for items that are placed on layaway and paid for by Dec. 24—including toys and bikes. Purchases of $25 or more are eligible for the layaway plan.

"The Exchange's layaway program is a convenient way for shoppers to stock up on gifts for the holidays while staying mindful of their budgets," said Air Force Chief Master Sgt. Sean Applegate, Exchange senior enlisted adviser. "By waiving the service fee, the Exchange makes it worthwhile for shoppers to give layaway a try and keep gifts hidden from family members who love snooping."

A deposit of 15 percent is required to hold items on layaway at the Exchange. Shoppers can visit customer service for complete program details and eligibility information.

Legal office: *They broke it, they buy it!*

VICENZA – Moving can be very stressful. This stress is often exacerbated when moving overseas.

With so many things occurring all at once (finding a place to live, adapting to a new culture, getting into a new battle rhythm in your new assignment, enrolling family members into various programs, etc.), it is easy to forget to take the steps necessary to ensure you receive the money to which you are entitled for household goods and unaccompanied baggage damaged during shipment.

Previously, if belongings were damaged during a military move, you were only compensated based on the depreciated or fair market value of the item. This changed in 2007 when Department of Defense entered into a new contract with transportation service providers (TSPs). The contract now enables claimants to obtain full replacement value (FRV) of destroyed or lost items. That is, the TSP is required to replace lost items with a new item, or pay the cost of a new item of the same kind and quality. As this change can mean more money in your pocket, it pays to be fully informed on the process.

First, you must provide notice of loss or damage to the TSP. Obvious loss or damage discovered during delivery must be recorded on the "Notification of Loss/Damage at Delivery" form. Examples of obvious loss or damage are missing boxes, a shattered television, a major gouge running across your dining room table, etc. All other damage must be reported to the TSP within 75 days of the date of delivery, using the Defense Personal Property System (DPS). Second, you must file your claim with the TSP within nine months of delivery, also using DPS.

DPS is a web-based program located within www.move.mil. If you haven't already done so, you can create a DPS account through www.move.mil by providing your personal information. Once registered, you can use DPS to settle claims online directly with your TSP.

Transportation Command promotes DPS as a centralized, integrated system that is the one-stop source for managing personal property moves. DPS is a sophisticated and valuable resource for reporting damage and filing claims. Occasionally, claimants report difficulty accessing DPS or filing their notice of loss and claims in DPS. Your local Military Claims Office recognizes the difficulties claimants can experience with DPS and is ready to assist during every step of the claims process.

If unsatisfied with how the TSP is settling a claim, you may transfer your claim, in whole or in part, to your local Military Claims Office after the TSP makes you a settlement offer or 30 days after your claim's submission to the TSP, whichever is sooner, without forfeiting FRV. The important thing to remember is to "come to claims!" The attorneys and claims examiners can explain how the system works.

Finally, it is important to note that TSP has certain rights under its contract with DoD. The TSP has the right to inspect damaged items during the claims adjudication process. The TSP also has the right to take possession of any item for which it has agreed to pay full replacement value or any item it actually replaces. However, items that are hazardous or dangerous to the health or safety of the claimant or the claimant's family (e.g., broken glass and moldy fabric items) may be thrown out. That said, be sure to document those items with photographs to support your claim before disposing of them.

As always, the claims office understands the sometimes challenging nature of the claims process. Claims personnel are standing by to assist every step of the way.

If you have further questions about these or other claims-related issues, call the Vicenza Claims Office at DSN 634-7031 or Civilian 0444-71-7031, or visit the office in Building 241 and consult the claims experts.

Annual San Bortolo Hospital barbecue brings Italian, US medical communities together

Story and photos by
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(Above) Employees get their lunches during the annual USAHC-Vicenza barbecue. (Below) USAHC-Vicenza Commander Lt. Col. Brian Bender presents a token of appreciation to Vicenza's Hospital General Director Dr. Ermanno Angonese for continuous support to the Vicenza military and civilian community.

VICENZA -- Following a tradition that started in 2004, Italian and American medical communities gathered for the annual barbecue held in the partially medieval cloister of the San Bortolo Hospital Sept. 24.

The event brings together the U.S. Army Health Center-Vicenza and their Italian counterparts, renews bonds and partnership, and gives the USAHC-Vicenza an opportunity to thank the Italian medical staff for their support of the Vicenza Military Community.

This year, more than ten volunteers of the USAHC-Vicenza staff cooked about 400 hamburgers and 400 hot dogs for their Italian colleagues and other participants.

"This is my first experience and it is very positive," said Sgt. Justin King, who assisted in putting together the event along with other Soldiers and civilians. "We were looking to serve close to 500 people and we had the chance to meet a lot of Italians, and they enjoyed the American food," he said.

While standing in line for the American-style barbecue, Emanuela Sandri, San Bortolo Hospital, Laboratorio Ematologia, explained how she found out about the event.

"It's like a word-of-mouth; my colleagues and I remembered it from last year. It is a beautiful idea and we are looking forward to next year's barbecue," Sandri said.

At the event, USAHC-V Commander Lt. Col. Brian Bender presented token of appreciation to Vicenza's Hospital General Director Dr. Ermanno Angonese for continuous support to the American military and civilian community.

"Since I have not been here in Vicenza too long, this event gave me the opportunity to get to know the Vicenza medical leadership, and also learn a little more Italian," Bender said.

After the presentation, participants enjoyed the tradition of a cake-cutting ceremony with both Italian and American cakes that symbolized the friendship between the two communities for more than 50 years. Finished with their meals, all medical staff went back to work to take the best care of the Vicenza and American communities.

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we can accomplish a lot."

For Giaretta, it's all about the mission. His only goal is to make sure the residents of the American installations around Vicenza remain safe.

"I look forward to positive communication with the people who oversee buildings to help them understand why we have inspections or drills, and how to keep their buildings and all occupants safe in emergency situations," Giaretta said.

"Some things may seem unnecessary but in the rare event of crisis every small detail is crucial."

And whether those details are in Italian or English, or deal with European or military standards, the Vicenza military community all understand they're in safe hands with Luca Giaretta on the job.

Mass warning system needs personnel updates

VICENZA -- The Department of the Army is currently implementing AtHoc, a mass warning and notification system, across United States Army installations. AtHoc is a software that delivers real-time messages to community members through telephonic and data devices such as mobile phones, Blackberry, e-mail, and desktop pop-up messages, to name a few.

Although U.S. Army Garrison Italy has been using AtHoc for a number of years, this service was through a locally procured contract that has now expired. USAG Italy is now transitioning to the AtHoc Enterprise solution. This transition requires all users to update their personal information, to include telephonic and data devices, so that they may receive these life-saving messages.

End users can update information by navigating to the USAG Italy MWN "Purple Globe" located at the bottom right hand corner of the computer taskbar. A step-by-step user's guidebook was provided in employees' e-mail. All are asked to distribute throughout each organization and emphasize the importance of updating information. If a computer does not have the correct purple globe, a computer restart or a 119 ticket may be required.

Maximize settings on Facebook for privacy, security

Story by **Priscilla Rey**
USAG Bavaria PAO

GRAFENWOEHR, Germany -- In a survey conducted in 2014 by the Pew Research Center, Facebook remains by far the most popular social media site.

As a member of the military, and for family members of service members, it is more important than ever to remain vigilant of operational security (OPSEC). Sharing information on a Facebook timeline may seem harmless but can be dangerous to loved ones and fellow Soldiers.

A general tip to ensure security at the basic level is to never accept a friend request from someone you don't know, even if they know a friend of yours. Do not share information that you don't want to become public. Someone might target you for working in the Department of Defense, so be cautious when listing job, military organization, education and contact information. Providing too much information in your profile can leave you exposed to people who want to steal your identity or sensitive operational information.

Understanding what one can and cannot post on Facebook goes a long way in protecting yourself online, but more can be done by adjusting your privacy settings.

There are many ways to protect your privacy on Facebook, and a lot of people are not aware that most information is available for everyone. United States Army Garrison Bavaria did some research on how to set Facebook settings into the highest security level.

Here is how to set the high-

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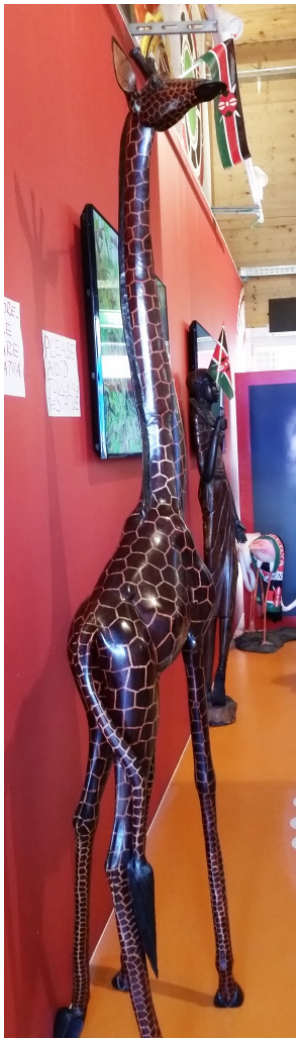
(Above) The United Nations is present in many areas of the Expo site, with 18 installations that bring the "Zero Hunger Challenge" itinerary to life. The Zero Hunger Challenge is the personal vision of UN Secretary Ban Ki-moon, a global call to action to achieve zero hunger. (Below) See cultural artifacts in all pavilions; this giraffe is in the Kenya Pavilion.

Don't miss out: Milan Expo ends Oct. 31



Story and photos
by **Karin J. Martinez**
USAG Italy PAO

MILAN -- Time is running out to visit Milan Expo 2015, the World's Fair held here this year.

Only about 200 km from Vicenza and 300 km from Livorno, the Expo is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for most people.

The theme for this year's fair is "Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life," and participating countries are showing the best of their cuisine, technology and innovation. The event is also a platform where countries can share their ideas for a sustainable future and feeding the world's population.

With 145 countries represented, the Expo is no small venture. According to Expo literature, Milan had to compete to be the host city and put in its bid in October 2006. Milan was declared the winner in 2008, and preparation for the exhibition fair began.

In keeping with the theme, the Expo site is broken into clusters, in which different countries share a particular food chain for their part of the world. The clusters include rice; cocoa and chocolate; coffee; fruits and legumes; spices; bio-Mediterraneum; islands, sea and food; cereals and tubers; and arid zones. Each country has its own pavilion, and visitors may want to purchase an Expo "passport" to be stamped as you make your way. For five euro apiece, the passport makes a great souvenir.

Visitors to Expo can get there by car and park in the parking area, or take the train and use public transportation (railway or subway) to get to the site at Rho Fiera. Purchasing tickets ahead of time online at www.expo2015.org is the best option. Lines at the Expo can be long, so having a ticket in advance may speed up the process. Checking out deals with Groupon is also recommended. A regular ticket costs 39 euro, but with Groupon, this traveler found two for 49. *(Government endorsement is not implied.)*

If you and your family think you'd like to make the trek, plan ahead. Check out the Expo website and/or download the free Expo app, Expo 2015. The exhibition covers a lot of ground, so prior planning will ensure you get to visit the pavilions of your choice and see the special events, shows, or demonstrations you've put on your list.

Wear comfortable shoes and get there when the gates open. You'll be able to cover more ground that way. If traveling with children, make sure to bring some snacks because food can add up quickly. Refillable water bottles are also a good idea; there are water points throughout the Expo.

Get out there and see the world, one pavilion at a time.

(Clockwise from right) (1) Spices from around the world are showcased in the Spices Cluster. Countries are grouped in collective pavilions based on thematic identities and food chains. (2) A display of Riso Cerere of Italy in the Rice Cluster. (3) Videos that feature traditional dancing play in the Moldova Pavilion. (4) In the Ethiopia Pavilion, guests may have tea and eat a meal for an extra fee.

Expo by the NUMBERS

184 = how many days the Expo lasts
145 = countries represented

20 MILLION = visitors expected
12-14 MILLION = Italians
6-8 MILLION = international visitors

53 = self-built pavilions from participating countries
3,000+ = workforce involved in construction site
15,000-16,000 = active workers for the duration of the event

(Milan Expo 2015 for Dummies)

Darby High Intensity Interval Training (H.I.I.T.)

A high intensity interval training that involves body weight exercises and weight training movements. 30 second to 1 minute rounds back to back incorporating different workouts for the entire body. Get your heart rate up and sculpt your body through Circuit Training. Join us Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays, from 9 – 10 a.m. and you will leave the class feeling as if you have been challenged in every way; feeling refreshed and re-energized as your metabolism speeds up and your posture, strength and flexibility all improve.

U.S. Army Soldier Show

October 21, is you opportunity to enjoy free entertainment presented by our own Soldiers! Every year The Soldier Show visits different bases and this year Vicenza will be one of them. Join in and give them the best support the Vicenza Military Community is capable of! Show time is 6 p.m. at the Ederle Fitness Center. Doors open 30 minutes prior to the show (5:30 p.m.)

Design Your Own Class

The Vicenza Arts & Crafts Center provides a full range of creative options and professional equipment in do-it-yourself studios for woodwork, pottery, framing and a large multi-craft classroom. Private classes are available with a minimum of just six people perfect for Homeschool Art, Mom's Club, Girl and Boy Scouts earning badges, Family Readiness Groups, Ladies Night Out, Birthday Parties and Groups of Family and friends.

Tell us what you're interested in and we'll do the rest. Call the Arts & Crafts Center at 634-7074 for more info.

Darby Tuscan Tots

Meet other parents while children learn through play! Darby Tuscan Tots meets every Thursday, 10-11:30 a.m. at Army Community Service.

Group Fitness Classes

Sports and Fitness will get you started off on the right foot with popular classes such as Pilates, Yoga, Taekwondo, Kickboxing, Zumba®, Cycle and many, many more! For a complete list of classes, visit italy.armyMWR.com

Soldiers` Theatre

Soldiers` Theatre invites you to volunteer with the company. Your generous support makes you a part of our theatre Family! We're looking for actors, directors, choreographers, designers, musicians, stage managers and other volunteers. We have a role you can fill! For more information, contact Soldiers` Theatre at 634-7281.

5:01 Bar

Do you miss the laid back atmosphere of your hometown pub or bar? You can find a cozy place at the 5:01 Bar, located in the Golden Lion Conference Center. Enjoy a beverage with friends or colleagues after work.

The 5:01 Bar is available for bookings for birthday parties, promotion ceremonies and other special events for a nominal fee. For more info, contact 634-8064.

Darby Children's Story Hour

Story time begins again on September 1. Designed for children aged 3-7 years, meets every Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the Children's Room of the library. Come join us for activities. Establish with your children the reading habit of a lifetime and enjoyment of books.

Darby BOSS Monthly Meeting

Join the Darby Better Opportunities for Single Servicemembers (BOSS) program for bimonthly meetings. Meetings take place on the first and third Wednesday of each month in the Library Conference Room.
This is a great forum to learn about; recreation and leisure activities, community service projects and volunteer opportunities. BOSS meetings will keep you informed to return to your unit and spread the word. Don't miss out!

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HALLOWEEN

Friday, October 30

- Fall Carnival - 4-5 p.m. *Villaggio School Age Center* - Grades K-5
- Halloween Dance - 6-8 p.m. *Villaggio Youth Center* - Grades 6-8
- Hallow-Scream Party - 9 p.m. - Midnight *Ederle Teen Center - Grades 9-12*

Saturday, October 31

Spook-tacular Halloween Bowling

11 a.m. - 1 a.m. - *Arena*
$1 games plus free shoe rental
$29.95 Bowling
Children's costume contest at 8:30 p.m.
Spooky Videos begin at 9 p.m.

Zombie Apocalyptic Hunt

6:30 - 8 p.m. - *Del Din Fitness Center*
Adult themed event for U.S. ID card holders
Race packet pick up 4:30- 6:20 p.m.
Race start 6:30 p.m.
Award ceremony follows at the Warrior Zone

Halloween Bash

7 p.m.-Midnight - *Warrior Zone*
Adult Themed Rave Party

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Other VMC Events

Oct. 30. Del Din BDE FRG Trunk-or- Treat
Oct. 31 Ederle Hoekstra Field USO Trunk-or- Treat
Oct. 31 6-8 p.m. Villaggio Residents Trick –or-Treat

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Community news briefs

Legal office hours change

Effective Oct. 1, the Legal Assistance Office hours have changed to the following: Monday through Wednesday and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1-4:30 p.m. The office is open on Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1-3 p.m. Anyone with questions may call DSN 634-7041.

Energy Action Month

Formerly Energy Awareness Month, October is now Energy Action Month. So, what does that mean for you? First, USAG Italy spends nearly $20 million total for utilities, plus more for schools, medical and commissary. Energy is very expensive in Italy, so conservation is key. Winter is just around the corner, so October is a great time to get ready to save energy, money and help the environment. There will be school visits, contests and public awareness notices. Anyone with comments or who would like to receive more information, contact Garrison Energy Manager, Lyman Parkhurst, at lyman.l.parkhurst.civ@mail.mil DSN 637-8207, comm. 0444-61-8207.

Fuel pumps close

Due to capitalization of the Del Din POL point, fuel pumps are closed until further notice. The 405th Army Field Support Brigade regrets the inconvenience and asks customers to plan accordingly. For more information, contact Mark Knapp, DSN 634-6893.

Education Center project to affect customers

A new air conditioning system is being installed in Building 126, which houses the Ederle Education Center and the Soldier for Life Transition Assistance Program (SFL-TAP) center, causing some changes in services between now and Nov. 30. Work began this week, and both centers' staff will provide more details about changes as the project is under way.

Be advised that college classes will be held elsewhere from Oct. 19 through Oct. 30, but students will be informed ahead of time as to where the alternate locations will be. Service provided by education counselors and college field representatives may be limited in November; however, the Education Center located in Del Din, Bldg. 2, will remain fully operative, Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

In addition, the SLF-TAP center will still have normal operational hours but may have to temporarily relocate a few offices. These temporary moves will be announced shortly once confirmed. Staff members ask customers for their patience and to remain assured that staff will do its best to limit any inconveniences this project unintentionally causes the community. Further updates and changes will be announced.

Work order number changes

The contact number for obtaining Directorate of Public Works emergency work orders during non-duty hours will change from 637-8035 to 044-423-9149 on Oct. 12. DPW asks that requests for support during non-duty hours be limited to emergency situations only. For routine service calls during duty hours, DPW can be contacted at 637-8100.

Influenza vaccine update

Influenza clinics are based on the following priority: (1) active-duty Soldiers, (2) health care workers, and (3) beneficiaries with chronic illnesses. DoDEA schools are scheduled for the last week in October. School nurses will send consent forms home for parents to complete. Forms must be signed by parent. Adult beneficiary clinic dates are still to be determined. Beneficiaries will need to present valid ID cards to receive the vaccine. The space-available population will be advised of vaccine dates based on availability after beneficiaries are supported.

Passport delays

Department of State advisory: Due to a systems-related problem, there is a substantial backlog in passport and Consular Report of Birth Abroad production at passport agencies in the United States. Priority is being given to resolving this problem but a delay of six to 10 weeks processing time is expected.

Civilian town hall

A Civilian Workforce Development town hall will take place 9-11:30 a.m. Oct. 13 at the Post Theater on Caserma Ederle and is open to all organizations within USAG Italy. The town hall will be comprised of a briefing from a HQDA G3/5/7 Civilian Training Leader Development Directorate representative on current Army CWD programs, initiatives and opportunities. Target audience for this town hall is Army civilians and supervisors (military and civilian) of Army civilians.

In addition to the town hall, multiple workshops will be offered. Workshops will include hands-on training on CHRTAS, ACT, GoArmyEd and creating IDPs and employees/supervisors responsibilities for each. Workshops are four hours and start at 1p.m. Oct. 13 and continue daily 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m. through Oct. 16.

All workshops will take place at the Digital Training Facility, Bldg. 128, on Caserma Ederle. Each workshop can train up to 30 personnel and priority is assigned to new Army Civilians and new supervisors (military and civilian) of Army Civilians; as well as those who were unable to attend the FY15 CWD workshops.

For more information contact Susan Groth, DSN: 637-1714, susan.e.groth.civ@mail.mil.

Register for college

College registration is ongoing at University of Maryland University College. In-classroom and hybrid UMUC classes begin Oct. 19 and end Dec. 13. Both academic and financial aid counseling are available locally, so stop by Building 126, or call UMUC at 637-8147, comm.: 0444 61 8147. For information about Central Texas College, call 637-8145, comm. 0444 61 8145.

Technology Expo

A USAG Italy Technology Expo will take place Oct. 22, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Golden Lion Conference Cen-

ter. More than 20 exhibitors will be there, featured technologies to include digital imaging, supply operations, broadband services, cables, fiber optics, telecommunications, VPN services, and more. The expo is free and open to everyone. The Office of the Science Advisor, U.S. Army Africa, hosts the event.

Contract training

The 414th Contracting Support Brigade provides its quarterly customer contract training Oct. 27-29 for new personnel and to recertify COR and GPC cardholders.

Oct. 27: Contractor Officer Representative w/Ethics at Digital Training Facility, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Those interested must sign up and register CAC card prior to attending training. Local nationals must register two weeks prior to ensure they can gain computer access.

Oct. 28: Acquisition Planning w/ Requirements documents; Performance Work Statement; Market Research; Independent Government Cost Estimate, Hall of Heroes, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Oct. 29: Government Purchase Card w/ Ethics, Hall of Heroes, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

This event is open to all USARAF, USAG-Vicenza and tenant units. For more information and to register go to: https://portal.usaraf.army.mil/staff/tenants/CSB/Pages/Training.aspx. Questions should be addressed to Master Sgt. Muriel Yealu at muriel.yealu.mil@mail.mil or 637-7726.

VFW offers two essay contests

Veterans of Foreign Wars is sponsoring two essay contests: Patriot's Pen for students in grades 6 through 8, and Voice of Democracy for students in grades 9 through 12. The theme for Patriot's Pen is "What Freedoom Means to Me" and must be a written essay of 300-400 words. The Voice of Democracy them is "My Vision for America" and must be a taped recording of 3-5 minutes.

Local winners will receive $250 for first place, $200 for second place, and $150 for third place, and there is a chance to compete for national prizes. Entry deadline is Nov. 1.

For more information, visit the VFW website at www.vfw.org. Local school contacts are John McKinney at Vicenza High School and Lorrie Vallone at Vicenza Middle School. Point of contact for the Vicenza VFW post is Thomas Bankston, 349-830-4925.

Maternal health classes

The Vicenza Health Center offers classes for expectant parents each Wednesday morning and afternoon. Wednesday mornings from 8 to 9 a.m. is "Pregnancy thru Postpartum." From 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. a variety of classes will be offered. The first week of the month will be "Having a Baby in Italy" OB Orientation. The second through fourth week is a three-week series on childbirth. No formal signup is required, and all expectant parents are welcome at any time. Classes are in the Health Center training classroom on the 2nd floor of the Health Center. For more information, call DSN 636-9508 or comm. 0444-61-9508.

At the movies

PAN

Twelve-year-old orphan Peter is spirited away to the magical world of Neverland, where he finds both fun and danger, and ultimately discovers his destiny -- to become the hero who will be forever known as Peter Pan.

Ederle Theater

Oct. 8	7 p.m.	The Martian (PG-13)
Oct. 9	7 p.m.	Pan (PG)
	10 p.m.	American Ultra (R)
Oct. 10	3 p.m.	Pan (PG)
	6 p.m.	Mr. Holmes (PG)
Oct. 11	3 p.m.	Pan in 3D (PG)
	6 p.m.	Hotel Transylvania 2 in 3D (PG)
Oct. 14	11 a.m.	The Perfect Guy (PG-13)
	7 p.m.	Maze Runner: The Scorch Trials (PG-13)
Oct. 15	7 p.m.	Pan in 3D (PG)
Oct. 16	7 p.m.	Goosebumps Movie (PG)
	10 p.m.	Crimson Peak (R)
Oct. 17	3 p.m.	Goosebumps Movie (PG)
	6 p.m.	Bridge of Spies (PG-13)
Oct. 18	3 p.m.	Goosebumps Movie in 3D (PG)
	6 p.m.	Bridge of Spies (R)
Oct. 21	11 a.m.	Goosebumps Movie (PG)
	7 p.m.	Crimson Peak (R)
Oct. 22	7 p.m.	The Sinister 2 (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. **Starting May 1:** 3D first run (*), adult, $8.50, under 12, $5.75; 3D second run, adult $8, under 12, $5.50; first run (*), adult, $6.50, under 12, $3.75; second run, adult $6, under 12, $3.50.

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; SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE*

Chapel activities

Vicenza

Sunday Services

9 a.m.: Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation follows Mass; or schedule 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.

Camp Darby

Sunday Services

10:30 a.m.: Protestant worship and children's service

Catholic Mass: Call Chapel at 633-7267 to confirm times.

Tuesday

9:30 a.m.: Protestant Women of the Chapel

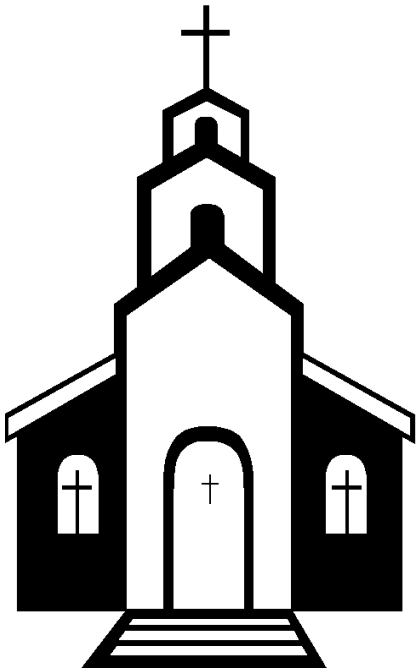
Wednesday

5:30 p.m.: Protestant Women of the Chapel

For DMC activities, call 633-7267.

Chaplain Crisis Line

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



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.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints: Young Men/Women meeting is each Tuesday at 6 p.m., 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 congregation. Call 328-473-2949 or email: *trinitychurchvicenza@gmail.com.*

Vicenza Hospitality House: A good place for anyone to enjoy food, fun and fellowship. Each Friday is a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m., followed by Walk in the Word.
Call 0444-581-427 for more information or if you need transportation.

CHAPEL MUSIC ACTIVITIES

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

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

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405th AFSB establishes Logistics Support Team-Africa

By **Steven Stanfill**
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VICENZA -- Under cloudy skies and a brisk Italy breeze, the 405th Army Field Support Brigade formally announced the establishment of the Logistics Support Team-Africa under the leadership of Maj. Shawn Muder. The organization will report to the newly designated Army Field Support Battalion-Africa commanded by Lt. Col. Joe Greenlee.

The ribbon-cutting highlighted Army Materiel Command's commitment to being the premier provider of readiness to U.S. Africa Command (AFRICOM) and U.S. Army Africa (USARAF) in support of a safe, stable and secure Africa. The LST will serve as AMC's single face to USARAF and the warfighter in Africa anticipating, collecting and communicating requirements.

LST-Africa will also be capable in managing Theater Provided Equipment, advising on equipment readiness, providing Logistics Civil Augmentation Program support and providing a scalable quick response team to meet mission requirements.

Maj. Gen. Kevin O'Connell, commanding general, U.S. Army Sustainment Command, Rock Island Arsenal, Illinois, and Maj. Gen. Darryl Williams, commanding general, USARAF took part in cutting the ceremonial ribbon.

"The organization is thrilled to formally announce our relationship and our role in enabling African Horizons with the Logistics Support Team-Africa and the Army Field Support Battalion-Africa," said Greenlee.

African Horizons is a strategy that aids in prioritizing efforts, requesting and applying Army resources, directing specific activities in support of AFRICOM and improving core functions.

FACEBOOK
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est security settings on your Facebook profile.

Choose who can view

(1) Log into Facebook. Go to Settings, Privacy.
(2) There you have three subjects: 'Who can see my stuff?', 'Who can contact me?', and 'Who can look me up?'
(3) To maximize the security on your page, choose 'Only me' or 'Only friends'. This prevents other people from seeing what you post.
(4) Under 'Who can look me up?' Facebook will ask, "Do you want other search engines to link to your timeline?" Do not let other search engines link to your timeline.

Maximize privacy

(1) When you post pictures on your timeline, you can change the settings on who can see, comment or add things to it. You can also determine who is allowed to post stuff on your timeline.
(2) Log into Facebook. Go to Settings, Timeline and Tagging.
(3) There you have three subjects: 'Who can add things to my timeline?', 'Who can see things on my timeline?', and 'How can I manage tags people add, and tagging suggestions?'
(4) The best thing to do is to make this public to just you or your friends only. The best option to not allow friends of friends put items or comments on your pictures and keep this as private as you can.
(5) When you're "tagged" in a post, it means that someone has created a link to your profile. You can turn on Tag Review to review tags friends add to your content before they appear on Facebook. In the 'How can I manage tags people add and tagging suggestions?' section, click edit and click the disabled button and change its setting to enabled.

Prevent comments on profile

(1) A new update to Facebook allows you to change the size of your profile picture. It also allows you to make the picture private and unclickable.
(2) Through Photoshop, Microsoft paint or any other photo editing software, you can change the size to 180 x 180 pixels. This will make it a square image and smaller. Save this and use this one as your profile picture on Facebook.
(3) Then, click on your profile picture. You will see a new edit button.
(4) Click on the 'Public' dropdown menu and select 'Only Me.'

No more sharing location

(1) Geotagging is the process of adding geographical identification to photographs, videos, websites and SMS messages. It is the equivalent of adding a 10-digit grid coordinate to everything posted on the Internet. Prevent Facebook from sharing location.
(2) Geotagging is typically done automatically on your tablet or mobile phone. When you first installed Facebook on your tablet or mobile phone, it probably asked for permission to use your phone's location services so that it could provide you with the ability to "check-in" at different locations and tag photos with location information. Revoke this permission in your phone's location services settings area.
(3) There are also apps to strip your geolocation. Koredoko, deGeo (iPhone) or Photo Privacy Editor (Android) are just a few.
(4) If you post to Facebook, you may see a light-gray location description in the lower left of the status box. Always check to see if the location is posted. If it is, remove it. Simply hover your cursor or finger over the location and click the X.

The Army's Social Media Handbook provides great information on safe networking and how to register your unit site. It also gives you guidance on Army branding standards and provides Facebook reference guides. The handbook is available at www.us.army.mil/suite/doc/43167236 (AKO login required) or www.slideshare.net/usarmysocialmedia (login blocked on government computers).

VENETO

Sagra delle Castagne
Chestnut Festival

Oct. 9-11, and Oct. 17-18, in Colleredo (Sossano), about 18 miles south of Vicenza; indoor food booths and dance floor open at 7 p.m.; live music and dances nightly at 9 p.m.

http://www.manifestazionivenete.it/sagra-delle-castagne-2015-a-colloredo-di-sossano/

Soave Cioccolate
Chocolate Festival

Oct. 9, 6-11 p.m., Oct. 10, 10 a.m.-11 p.m., Oct 11, 9 a.m.-11 p.m., in Soave, Via Roma, about 23 miles west of Vicenza; free chocolate tasting and chocolate workshops in Via Roma, free jazz and blues concerts, exhibits, entertainment for children, and food booths.

http://www.comunesoave.it/manifestazioni-it.php

Festa della Patata e del Wurstel
Potato and Hot Dog Festival

Oct. 9-11, in Arzignano, Via Pozzetti, about 10 miles north of Vicenza; food booths open at 7 p.m.; live music and dancing start at 8 p.m.; Oct. 10-11, from 4 p.m. entertainment and games for children; Oct. 11, nature walk departs at 10 a.m.; typical Tyrolean lunch at 12:30 by reservation; to reserve your seat, call 334-8456378.

http://www.giraitalia.it/eventi_folkloristici/60510_festa_della_patata_e_del_wurstel.html

Chestnut Festival

Festa del Maron
Chestnut Festival

Oct. 10, from 7:30 p.m., in Bassano del Grappa, Località Valrovina, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza; chestnuts, fruits, and mushrooms exhibit and sale; food booths feature local specialties; 8 p.m. live music and dancing.

https://www.facebook.com/Festa-del-Maron-1615237932064544/timeline/

Pomo Per
Apple and Pear Festival

In Lusiana, Via Roma and Piazza IV Novembre, about 21 miles north of Vicenza.

Oct. 10: 5:30 p.m. grand opening with the local musical band

Oct. 11: from 9 a.m. local products exhibit and sale; 9 a.m.-6 p.m. frittelle (apple desserts) and vin brulè (hot spiced wine); antique trades demonstrations; 3 p.m. folk music performed with antique instruments

Oct. 17: 2:30-4:30 p.m. nature walk on Lusiana hills, orchard visit and fruit snack; Eco delle Valli choir performance at 8:30 p.m.

Oct. 18: from 9 a.m. local products exhibit and sale; frittelle and vin brulè; from 3:30 p.m. apple and pear juice production demonstration and tasting; roasted chestnut offered by the local Alpini Association; entertainment with street artists and stilt-walkers; from 5:30 p.m. live music and dancing.

http://www.asiago.it/it/eventi/art_16a_pomo_pero_a_lusiana_degustazioni_e_spettacoli_10-18_ottobre_2015_altopiano/

Fiori e Sapori d'Autunno
Autumn Flowers and Flavors

Oct. 11, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., in Badia Polesine (Rovigo), about 39 miles south of Vicenza; local products and crafts exhibit and sale; games and shows for children; face-painting and street artists; stores will be open all day.

https://www.facebook.com/anna.terracinoleahy#!/563261357056424/photos

Antica Sagra di San Michele e Festa dei Vini e dei Funghi
Saint Michael Fair, Wine and Pioppini Mushroom Festival

Oct. 11, in Costozza, Longare, about 8 miles south of Vicenza; food booths featuring a variety of dishes with local Pioppini mushroom and other local specialties open at 7 p.m.; mushroom exhibit and sale; local painters and sculptors exhibits; flea market; carnival rides and bounce houses; charity raffle.

http://www.giraitalia.it/sagre/48787_antica_sagra_di_san_michele_festa_dei_vini_e_dei_funghi_pioppini.html

Eurochocolate

Festa del Tartufo nero
Black Truffle Festival

Oct. 11, in Marana (Crespadoro), about 25 miles northwest of Vicenza; black truffle and local food products exhibit and sale; food booths feature typical dishes prepared with black truffle.

http://www.giraitalia.it/altre_manifestazioni/52296_festa_del_tartufo_nero_di_marana.html

Casa su Misura
Home Furnishing Fair

Through Oct. 11, in Padova, Via N. Tommaseo 59, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza. Oct. 3-4 and Oct. 10-11, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., entrance fee: €7; weekdays 5-10 p.m., entrance fee: €5; free for children under 12. Classic and contemporary furniture, lighting, textiles and accessories.

http://www.casasumisura.com/visitare/

Abilmente, Vicenza

Abilmente – Mostra Internazionale della Manualità Creativa
International Bricolage & Manual Creativity Exhibition

Oct. 15-18, 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., in Vicenza, via dell'Oreficeria 16; admission fee: €12; reduced €10 (children ages 12-18 and senior citizens over 60); free entrance for children younger than 12, for disabled and their assistants; embroidery and patchwork workshops; scrapbooking; decoupage, painting, cake design, sewing classes and T-shirts decoration; creative recycling and workshops.

http://www.vicenzafiera.it/it/fiere/abilmente-autunno

Eurochocolate
Da leccarsi i baffi – MustaChoc!

Oct. 16-25, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., in Perugia, Piazza Italia, Piazza della Repubblica, Corso Vannucci, Via Mazzini, and Piazza IV Novembre; this is the best chocolate celebration in Europe; enjoy chocolate tasting and chocolate workshops organized by the world wide best chocolate manufacturers; chocolate sculptures contest: artists create sculptures out of huge chocolate blocks; free cooking courses, all centered around the world of chocolate and sweets; a chococard will get you special discounts, offers and free samples from most of the booths.

http://www.eurochocolate.com/perugia2015/eng/

Montagna in città – Mostra Mercato
Agricultural & Biological Products Exhibit and Sale

Oct. 17, 3:30-9 p.m. and Oct. 18, 9 a.m. -7 p.m., in Schio, about 16 miles northwest of Vicenza; local products and crafts exhibit and sale in Piazza Falcone-Borsellino; folk music and dancing start at 3 p.m. on Oct. 18.

*http://www.comune.schio.vi.it/web/schio/vivere/vivere-interna?p_p_id=ALFRESCO_MYPORTAL_CONTENT_PROXY_WAR_myportalportlet_INSTANCE_nc6A&p_p_lifecycle=1&p_p_state=normal&p_p_mode=view&template=/regioneveneto/myportal/html-generico-detail&uuid=af0b958e-f945-4780-8ef1-8010c0d302ed&contentArea=_Schio_vivere-interna_Body1_*

Festa dello Spiedo
Meat on the Spit Festival

Oct. 18, in Isola Vicentina, Piazza Marconi, about 8 miles northwest of Vicenza; food booths featuring a variety of spit roasted meats and vegetables, fresh mushrooms, and local desserts and wines open at noon and again at 5 p.m.; 3 p.m. live music and dancing.

http://www.proisolavicentina.it/

Festa delle Castagne
Chestnut Festival

Oct. 18, in Merendaore (Recoaro Terme), Via Merendaore 6-16, about 34 miles northwest of Vicenza; 11 a.m. chestnut, honey, fruit and vegetables exhibit and sale; food booth featuring local specialties open at noon.

http://recoaroterme.biz/37-eventi-a-recoaro-terme/63-festa-delle-castagne.html

Auto D'Epoca
Vintage cars and motorcycles fair

Oct. 23-25, 9 a.m.-7 p.m.; in Padova, Via N. Tommaseo 59, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza; entrance fee: €20; children aged 13-17: €16; free entrance for children younger than 13; there are three sections at the event: car manufacturers with their relative clubs and racing teams, dealers and restorers, spare parts and models; car and moto accessories exhibit and sale; limited edition in toys and unique life-size models.

http://www.autoemotodepoca.com/?LID=1&lchange=1

Aquae Venezia 2015

Through Oct. 31, Monday-Tuesday, 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; Wednesday-Sunday, 11 a.m. -11 p.m.; in Venice Marghera, Via Galileo Ferraris 5; entrance at the corner of Via Pacinotti and Via Galileo Ferraris; collateral event of Expo Milan, this exhibition focuses on the importance of water as a fundamental resource for life, never losing sight, however, of the fact that it is also a limited commodity.

http://www.aquae2015.org/explore/dive-into-the-experience/settimana-di-apertura-aquae-2015/?lang=en

Flow-Arte Contemporanea italiana e cinese in dialogo
Flow – Italian and Chinese Contemporary art in Dialogue

Oct. 18, in Isola Vicentina, Piazza Marconi, about 8 miles northwest of Vicenza; food booths featuring a variety of spit roasted meats and vegetables, fresh mushrooms, and local desserts and wines open at noon and again at 5 p.m.; 3 p.m. live music and dancing.

http://www.proisolavicentina.it/

Tamara Di Lempicka Exhibit

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Through Jan. 31, 2016, in Verona, Palazzo Forti, Via Massalongo 7; Monday 2:30-7:30 p.m.; Tuesday-Sunday, 6:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.; it showcases more than 200 works by the Polish painter from the early 1920s to the 1950s: among them drawings, phots, oils, water colors, and videos; entrance fee: €13; reduced €11, for children aged 11-18 and senior citizens older than 65.

http://www.mostratamara.it/info-verona/

Jefferson e Palladio – Come costruire un nuovo mondo
Jefferson and Palladio - Constructing a New World

Through March 28, 2016, in Vicenza, Palladio Museum, Palazzo Barbarano, Contrà Porti 10-12; Tuesday-Sunday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; this is the first-ever exhibit dedicated to the American Palladian in Europe; it enables visitors to explore Jefferson's world, his art collections and architectural drawings; entrance fee: €10; reduced: €7.

http://www.livinginvicenza.com/agenda/jefferson-and-palladio-how-to-build-a-new-world-2636

Antique markets

Vicenza: Oct. 11, 7 a.m.-7 p.m., in Piazza dei Signori, Piazza Duomo, Piazza Garibaldi, Piazza Palladio, Piazza Biade and Piazza Castello (220 vendors)

Lonigo: Oct. 11, 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m., in Via Garibaldi, Piazza XX Settembre, Via Ognibene, about 20 miles southwest of Vicenza (about 100 vendors)

Montegrotto (Padova): Oct. 11, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., in Piazza 1° Maggio, about 34 miles southeast of Vicenza (about 70 vendors)

Portobuffolè (Treviso): Oct. 11, 7 a.m.-7 p.m., in Piazza Beccaro, about 88 miles northeast of Vicenza (250 vendors)

Verona: Oct. 17, 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m., in Piazza S. Zeno, about 38 miles west of Vicenza (50 vendors)

Asiago: Oct. 18, 8 a.m.-6 p. m., Piazza Carli and surrounding streets.

Este (Padova): Oct. 18, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., in Piazza Maggiore and Via Matteotti, about 28 miles south of Vicenza (60 vendors)

Godega di Sant'Urbano: Oct. 18, 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Via Roma, about 78 miles northeast of Vicenza (234 booths)

Montagnana: Oct. 18, 8 a.m. to sunset, in Piazza Maggiore 150, about 27 miles south of Vicenza (60 vendors)

Padova: Oct. 18, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., in Prato della Valle, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza (180 vendors)

Soave: Oct. 18, Piazza Antonio Marogna and Corso Vittorio Emanuele, about 23 miles west of Vicenza, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. (110 vendors)

TUSCANY

Pisa Colleziona
Collectors' items Fair

Oct. 9, 3-7 p.m. and Oct. 10, 9 a.m.-6:30 p.m., in Pisa, Palazzo dei Congressi, Via Matteotti 1; stamps, coins, postcards, old prints and collectors' items exhibit; free entrance.

http://sp.tuttocongressi.it/palazzodeicongressipisa/accessodiretto/congressDetail.aspx?idc=4426

Sagra del Porcino
Porcino Mushroom Fair

Oct. 10-11, in Parrana San Martino (Collesalvetti, Livorno); food booths open at 7 p.m. and, on Sundays, also at noon; live music and dancing start at 9 p.m.

http://www.sagretoscane.com/cerca?q=&category=1&area=4&city=&date=13&page=1&post=286

Sagra del Porcino e della Chianina
Mushroom and Chianina Fair

Oct. 10-11, Oct. 17-18, Oct. 24-25, and Oct. 31-Nov. 1, in Castelfranco di Sotto (Pisa), Via Provinciale Francesca Sud 30-32; food booths featuring a great variety of local specialties open at 7:30 p.m. and, on Sundays, also at noon; Oct. 25 local products and crafts exhibit and sale.

http://www.sagretoscane.com/cerca?q=&category=1&area=7&city=&date=13&page=1&post=882

Joy Sposi
Wedding Fair

Oct. 10-11, 10:30 a.m.-9 p.m., in Florence, Obihall Theatre, Via Fabrizio De Andrè; fashion shows, workshops, wedding planners, photographers, make-up artists and much more; free entrance.

http://www.sagretoscane.com/cerca?q=&category=&area=&city=&date=13&page=1&post=1887

Fiera di San Luca
St. Luke Fair

Oct. 10-18, in Impruneta (Florence), Piazza Buondelmonti; it is one of the oldest live stock fairs in Europe; its origins go back hundreds of years to a time when the shepherds migrated from the Apennines to Maremma and stopped here to trade cattle; other sources link this fair to the pilgrimage of Florentines to the Sanctuary of Santa Maria when it was necessary to provide food for the pilgrims; horse races; local products and craft market; carnival rides in Piazza Accursio da Bagnolo; food booths in Piazza Garibaldi; Oct. 15, fireworks at 11:30 p.m.

http://www.fierasanluca.it/index.php/programma/programma

Oktoberfest

Through Oct. 11, 6 p.m.-midnight, in Arezzo; OBI Area, Via G. Amendola 20; food booths feature a variety of beers and local specialties; carnival rides; hobby items market; live music every night starts at 8 p.m.

http://www.sagretoscane.com/cerca?q=&category=&area=&city=&date=13&page=1&post=1874

Sagra della Frugiata
Roasted Chestnuts Fair

Oct. 11, from 3 p.m., in Montagnana Pistoiese (Pistoia); food booths feature local specialties and vin brulè (hot spiced wine).

http://www.sagretoscane.com/cerca?q=&category=1&area=&city=&date=13&page=1&post=354

Sagra del Fungo e della Castagna
Mushroom and Chestnut Fair

Oct. 11, and Oct. 17-18, in Vivo d'Orcia (Siena); food booths feature polenta with Porcini mushroom, roasted or fried mushroom, roasted chestnuts and many other local autumn specialties; local products exhibit and sale; mushroom exhibit; historical reenactments; folk music and dancing.

** The Chianina meat is one of the most renowned products of Tuscany. The Chianina is an Italian breed of cattle now raised mainly for beef. It is the largest and one of the oldest cattle breeds in the world. The famous bistecca alla fiorentina is produced from its meat.*

http://www.sagretoscane.com/cerca?q=&category=1&area=&city=&date=13&page=1&post=288

Sagra del Marrone e dei Frutti del Sottobosco
Chestnuts and Berries Fair

Oct. 11, 18 and 25, in Palazzuolo sul Senio (Florence); food booths featuring local autumn specialties open from noon to 2 p.m.; local products and crafts exhibit and sale; folk music and dances.

http://www.sagretoscane.com/cerca?q=&category=&area=&city=&date=13&page=2&post=297

Passioni d'Autunno: Cioccolato & Castagne
Autumn Passions: Chocolate & Chestnuts

Oct. 11, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., in Vergaio (Prato), Piazza della Chiesa; this event is dedicated to the flavors of autumn; it includes chocolate tasting, roasted chestnuts and local wines; famous Tuscan chocolatiers display their creations; free entrance.

http://www.comitatofestevergaio.it/pdf/Dettagli_Organizzazione.pdf

Fiera di San Luca
Saint Luke Festival

Oct. 16-25, in Pontedera (Pisa), Piazza del Mercato; Mondays – Fridays, 3-8 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays,10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; large open market; carnival rides; food booths and fireworks on Oct. 25 at 11 p.m.; free entrance.

http://www.valderatoscana.it/eventi/

Fiera dell'Elettronica
Electronics Fair

Oct. 17, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Oct. 18, 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Campiglia Marittima, (Livorno), at the Venturina Terme Fair Center, Via della Fiera 3; amateur radio, electronics and computing exhibit; second hand electronic items market; two-day entrance fee: €5.

http://www.sagretoscane.com/cerca?q=&category=&area=&city=&date=13&page=2&post=1564

Antique markets

Bolgheri (Livorno): Oct. 10-11, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., downtown squares and streets

Firenze (Tuscany): Oct. 11, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Santo Spirito

Forte dei Marmi (Lucca): Oct. 10-11, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Dante

Livorno: Oct. 11, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Cavour

Montepulciano (Siena): Oct. 10-11, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Grande

Piombino (Livorno): Oct. 10-11, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Cappelletti, Corso Italia, via Fucini, Piazza Gramsci

Pisa: Oct. 10-11, 9 a.m.-8 p.m., Piazza dei Cavalieri

Pistoia: Oct. 10-11, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m., Via Pertini (except July and August)

Vicopisano (Pisa): Oct. 11, 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Piazza Domenico Cavalca

Certaldo (Florence): Oct. 18, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Boccaccio e Via 2 Giugno

Florence: Oct. 17-18, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Fortezza da Basso Park, Viale Filippo Strozzi 1

Lucca: Oct. 17-18, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Antelminelli, Piazza S. Giovanni, Piazza San Giusto, Via San Giovanni, Corte Bertolini

Marina di Grosseto (Grosseto): Oct. 17-18, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Via XXIV Maggio.

Pontedera (Pisa): Oct. 18, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., main squares and streets downtown

Quarrata (Pistoia): Oct. 18, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Piazza Risorgimento

CONCERTS

Take That - Oct. 13 in Assago (Milan)

BeatleStory – Oct. 17 in Bologna

John Mayall - Oct. 17 in Bologna; Oct. 10 in La Spezia; Oct. 19 in Milan

Dave Matthews Band - Oct. 17 in Assago (Milan); Oct. 18 in Florence; Oct. 20 in Rome; Oct. 21 in Padova

Epic Rap Battles of History – Oct. 21 in Bologna

Nickelback – Oct. 25 in Rome; Oct. 27 in Turin

Deep Purple - Oct. 30 in Padova; Oct. 31 in Assago (Milan); Nov. 5 in Florence; Nov. 6 in Rome

Kid Ink – Nov. 1 in Milan

Scorpions - Nov. 9 in Rome; Nov. 11 in Assago (Milan); Nov. 13 in Trieste

Supertramp - Nov. 9 in Assago (Milan)

Marilyn Manson – Nov. 9 in Florence

Simply Red - Nov. 14 in Rome; Nov. 15 in Assago (Milan)

Zelda – The Symphony of Goddesses - Nov. 15 in Rome

Simple Minds - Nov. 21 in Assago (Milan)

Madonna - Nov. 19, Nov. 21-22 in Torino

Europe - Nov. 28 in Milan

Jethro Tull Rock Opera feat Ian Anderson - Nov. 29 in Bologna; Nov. 30 in Turin; Dec. 1 in Bergamo

Rae Sremmurd - Nov. 30 in Milan

Harlem Spirit of Gospel Choir – Dec. 18 in Varese; Dec. 22 in Torino

Yes – May 26, 2016, in Milan; May 27 in Padova, May 31 in Florence; June 1 in Rome.

Europe
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SPORTING EVENTS

Agility World Championship - **Oct. 8-11**, in Casalecchio di Reno

Misano Classic Weekend – Vintage motorcycles on stage - **Oct. 9-11**, in Misano Adriatico. Last year was a huge success and saw the passage of more than 600 riders on the track and a great edition of the Endurance race. The lounge on the Pit lane this year will host the exhibition Emilia Romagna LAND OF RIDERS, a celebration of the pilots born and raised in the region.

WWE Live – Nov. 11 in Rome; Nov. 12 in Casalecchio di Reno

Tickets are available in Vicenza at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center, or online at *http://www.greenticket.it/index.html?imposta_lingua=ing* ; *http://www.ticketone.it/EN/ or http://www.zedlive.com.*

HALLOWEEN

Some Italian amusement parks will be open for Halloween. Buy tickets online for special family rates & discounts.

Cavallino Matto – Oct. 11, 18, 26 and Oct. 31-Nov.1, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; in Marina di Castagneto (Livorno), Via Po' 1. *http://www.cavallinomatto.it/english/default.aspx*

CanevaWorld Resort – Oct. 10-11, Oct. 17-18, Oct. 24-25, and Nov. 1, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; Oct. 31, 10 a.m.-4 a.m., in Lazise sul Garda, Località Fossalta, 58, about 51 miles east of Vicenza. *http://www.canevaworld.it/?lang=en*

Gardaland - Monstrous Fun – Oct. 10-11, Oct. 18-19. Oct. 17-18, and Oct. 24-25, and Nov. 1, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., and Oct. 31, 10 a.m.-midnight, Castelnuovo del Garda, Via Derna, 4, about 45 miles west of Vicenza. *http://www.gardaland.it/park/index-en.php*