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Explosive device found alongside Longare fence

LONGARE -- Military police from United States Army Garrison Italy responded to a report of a suspicious package near Marche Park on March 23 and found an anti-personnel mine inside the Longare Military Facility.

WASHINGTON -- The Army recently announced details of its implementation plan for integrating women into all military occupational specialties, paving the way for qualified female Soldiers to serve in the infantry, armor and Special Forces.

Army outlines gender integration plan

VICENZA -- The evolution of the Internet, social media and other electronic media over the last decade has drastically altered how people communicate and interact. It is now easier and faster to convey messages and information than ever before, and in some cases, this can be done in complete anonymity.

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April 2016
Month of the Military Child
Proclamation

Whereas, since 1986, Army installations around the world have celebrated the Month of the Military Child throughout the month of April, recognizing the sacrifices and applauding the courage of military children;
Whereas, each day, military children experience unique challenges, which they face with resilience and dignity beyond their years;
Whereas, it is essential to recognize that military children do make a significant contribution to our Nation through understanding and supporting their military parents who often work long hours and make numerous deployments when called upon;
Whereas, military children contribute to their Families by providing a source of strength and providing a sense of responsibility for those who protect our Nation;
Whereas, military children are the source of pride and honor that Americans have regarding their Soldiers’ support to the Nation, it is fitting to recognize our military children’s contributions and celebrate their spirit;
Whereas, our men and women in uniform can focus on the missions and challenges ahead when they know that their children are safe and secure;
Whereas, the Army strives to provide a safe and nurturing environment for military children enabling our Soldiers to have peace of mind and thus be a stronger and more ready and resilient fighting force;
Whereas, the Month of the Military Child reinforces this concept and allows us to take stock in, and recognize that our Soldiers’ children also play an important role in support of their parents, and thus, the Nation; and

New, therefore, 2016 marks the 30th year that we celebrate the Month of the Military Child; hereby join the Nation in recognizing the important contributions and sacrifices our military children make as we honor them throughout the month of April.

Sgt. 1st Class David Gonzales
U.S. Army Africa
“Going to Malta with family and friends.”

Jodi Giesbrecht
Child & Youth Services
“Making costumes for the show Beauty and the Beast [Jr.] and spending time with family.”

Gabriel Elya
Family member
“To go with my dad on vacation to a (springtime) adventure. No specific plan, just have fun.”

Brenda Jasper
Family member
“I hope to go to a Barbie Carnival in Rome.”

Martina Roncoletta
Family member
“To go to Aviano to visit my family. I can’t wait.”

David Paulin
Family member
“I plan to go to Germany with my best friend Richard for the whole week.”

By Laura Kreider and Chiara Mattirolo

Speak Out
What are your plans for Spring Break?

Opinion/Editorial

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AFRICOM stands up Intelligence Brigade

VICENZA -- The 207th Military Intelligence Brigade activated in a ceremony here March 16 at Hoekstra Field on Caserma Ederle. The 207th is the Theater Intelligence Brigade for United States Africa Command and is under the operational control of U.S. Army Africa.

“The U.S. Army’s decision to realign military intelligence units supporting U.S. European Command and AFRICOM will better support our operations on the continent,” said Maj. Gen. Darryl Williams, USARAF command general.

The new brigade includes 207th Military Intelligence Brigade Headquarters and 307th Military Intelligence Battalion located here, as well as 522nd Military Intelligence Battalion located at Forshagen, Germany. The third battalion in the brigade, 337th Military Intelligence Battalion, is a U.S. Army Reserve formation located at Fort Sheridan, Illinois.

“We look forward to working closely with our brothers and sister in uniform north of the Alps and across the Atlantic, while utilizing the Total Army: active, guard and reserve,” said Williams.

Originally constituted in 1944, the unit was known as 113th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment. It was consolidated in 1983 with 207th Military Intelligence Detachment and reorganized as 207th brigade in 1985. The brigade, stationed in Ludwigshafen, Germany, through the 1980s under VII Corps, inactivated in 1992.

“Activation of this brigade epitomized the very concept of teamwork,” said Col. Timothy Higgins, commander of the 207th.

Higgins credited the efforts of those who helped bring the brigade to this point.

“The nation needs a new breed of Soldiers and civilians; as of today, the 207th stands ready to answer that call,” said Maj. Gen. George Franz III, commanding general of U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command.

AFRICOM stands up Intelligence Brigade

Community observance honors women

VICENZA -- The Vicenza Military Community celebrated Women’s History Month with an event hosted by 173rd Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Airborne) on Caserma Ederle at the Golden Lion March 22.

“Working to Form a More Perfect Union: Honoring Women in Public Service and Government” was the National Women’s History Month theme for 2016. Among many women who have shaped America’s history through their public service and government leadership, 16 honorees were chosen to be highlighted for the diversity of their contributions to their country, as well as the challenges and opportunities they faced throughout their lives.

After sixth-grader Taryn Harris went to the podium and read the proclamation signed by President Barack Obama, U.S. Army Europe Command Sgt. Maj. Sheryl Lyon gave the keynote address.

“Of the 16 honorees that were present—selected, I selected Oveta Culp Hobby,” said Lyon. She explained that Hobby was a pioneer military leader who helped define women’s roles in the armed forces.

“After each war,” continued Lyon, “they [women] were told to leave and go back home. But after World War II, they wanted to make a difference in some way. ‘It was important to learn how women grew over the years and what women can do. I will study and do something for other people,’” Harris said.

Twelve-year-old Harris is already projecting toward her future opportunities. She said she was pleased to receive a certificate of appreciation for her contributions to the event by Col. Gregory Anderson, 173rd IBCT (A) Commander, and wants to make a difference in some way.

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Darby NCO, Soldier of Quarter
Sgt. Derrick Muniz, 529th Military Police Platoon, and Spc. Jane Njenga, Livorno Health Clinic, were selected as Darby Military Community Noncommissioned Officer and Soldier of the second quarter FY16, respectively.
On left: Lt. Col. Jason Alvis, commander, 839th Transportation Battalion, presents Muniz (right) with an Army Achievement Medal for his honor. Below: Alvis presents Njenga the Army Achievement Medal certificate for her selection. (Photos by Chiara Mattirolo, DMC Public Affairs Office)
Army celebrates 46th Earth Day
Sustain the mission, secure the future

By Rodger Allison
DPW Environmental Division

CASERMA EDERLE — For many centuries, the environment was something to be conquered. Initially, humankind focused on extracting Earth’s resources solely for food, water and shelter. Then, the need for migration and expansion came upon us, leading to environmental challenges such as sprawl and the need for long-distance transportation. After some time, the Industrial Age was born and people discovered we could easily extract more of what we needed than ever before. This increased urbanization and intensified manufacturing activity. Also, changes in agricultural practices led to more pesticides and herbicides reaching waterways and contaminating the environment.

On April 22, 1970, the first Earth Day celebration brought 20 million Americans out for peaceful demonstrations in favor of environmental reform. Senator Gaylord Nelson (D-Wis.) and Congressman Paul McCloskey (R-Calif.) gave bipartisan sponsorship to the event, but it was a huge risk. Terrified that people would not show up or would be turned off by the event’s activism, the organizers were nervous. They estimated a turnout of only 100,000 participants.

But the day attracted millions. The event started in Madison, Wisconsin, and the crowd grew as it moved south and east through the country. The final tally of participants is estimated to be over 20 million, with some sources reporting as many as 100 million. The event was a huge success, and its impact on public awareness and political action was profound.

The success of Earth Day gave greater priority than ever to environmental issues. In particular, it strengthened the impact of the report that Roy L. Ash of the President’s Commission on Executive Reorganization had submitted on April 15. That report argued strongly that an independent agency was needed to coordinate all of the Administration’s new environmental initiatives.

After many decades, unregulated pollution from industrialized activities had reached deadly proportions. Rivers were spontaneously catching fire from chemicals and fuels dumped in our nation’s waterways. Smog in large cities such as London, New York and Los Angeles caused respiratory diseases and deaths of many people. Damages caused by an industrialized world could no longer be trivialized. The environment was no longer something to be ignored but rather needed protection.

Born in the wake of elevated concern about environmental pollution, EPA was established on December 2, 1970, to consolidate in one agency a variety of federal environmental protection. Within a year, Congress established the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and passed the Clean Air, Clean Water, and Endangered Species Acts. Since its inception, EPA had been working for a cleaner, healthier environment for the American people.

We continue to build upon the early successes. We also learned from our mistakes, including terrible incidents involving human and environmental disasters such as the Bhopal gas tragedy in India and the Exxon Valdez oil spill that occurred in Alaska. We work to improve air and water quality, and keep recyclable materials out of our landfills. We act wisely to sustain our resources for this and future generations. We set aside public land forever, and protect important natural places to protect entire ecosystems and provide for recreation.

The Army and USAG Italy have been actively working to protect our natural resources for decades. Every year USAG Italy takes some time around Earth Day to celebrate our successes and recognize the challenges ahead. This year USAG Italy offers the following events for our community during the week of Earth Day:

- Essay/Art/Coloring contests
- Household hazardous waste collection days
- Tree-planting ceremony
- Bat Habitat Installation
- Random Acts of Recycling

Earth Day Facts

Sensor Gaylord Nelson founded Earth Day in the United States April 22, 1970. The date became the internationally recognized Earth Day in 1990. Now, more than 192 countries hold celebrations around the world.

- Recycling one aluminum can saves enough energy to watch three hours of TV. It takes 90 percent less energy to recycle aluminum cans than to manufacture new ones.
- Americans throw away 2.5 million plastic bottles every HOUR. It takes 90 percent less energy to recycle plastic bottles than to manufacture new ones. One recycled plastic bottle would save enough energy to power a 60-watt light bulb for three hours.
- Glass can be recycled over and over again. Recycled glass generates 20 percent less air pollution and 50 percent less water pollution than making virgin glass. One recycled glass bottle would save enough energy to power a computer for 25 minutes.
- One way USAG Italy celebrates is by planting a tree; one tree removes about 50 pounds of pollution from the air each year.

The Army celebrates Earth Day by holding events at over 200 installations throughout the world. It also protects over 200 species that are threatened and endangered and make their homes on military installations. The Army also focuses on reducing our need for natural resources by reaching Net Zero energy use.

The Army and USAG Italy celebrate Earth Day April 8, 2016. It is a great honor to be able to participate in the 46th Earth Day. The Army and USAG Italy celebrate Earth Day in various ways, including tree-planting ceremonies, essay contests, art contests, and recycling events. These activities not only raise awareness about the importance of protecting the environment but also help to reduce our carbon footprint and promote sustainable practices.

Inauguration ceremony in Lonigo

United States Army Garrison Italy honored an invitation from Mayor of Lonigo Luca Restello to attend the opening of the 530th annual trade fair March 19. Capt. Harrison Zabell, commander of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, USAG Italy, participated in the inauguration ceremony along with elected officials and military authorities from the province of Vicenza.

(Photograph courtesy of the Municipality of Lonigo)
Easter Eggstravaganza 2016

Vicenza Military Community children and parents participated in the annual Eggstravaganza event March 26 on Caserma Ederle Track and Field. More than 10,000 eggs were stuffed with candy and prize tickets. In addition to the egg hunt held for various age groups, children had fun with crafts, bounce houses and giveaways from USO. Many children also had their photo taken with the Easter Bunny. More photos are posted on the USAG Italy Flickr site: https://www.flickr.com/photos/usagvicenza/albums/72157666603430815. (Photos by Laura Kreider, USAG Italy Public Affairs Office)

Dollars and Sense

Welcome to the Dollars and Sense financial corner; let’s talk money

By Samuel D. Coston
Financial Readiness Program Manager, ACS

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CASERMA EDERLE -- This is the first of many financial articles that will run in the Outlook, and I hope you will want to learn about financial matters as much as I look forward to sharing the information.

Why am I asking you to read these financial articles? Because achieving financial literacy is priceless!

Why does anyone cross a road, develop goals, look at the stars at night and ask why? To find life’s opportunities, of course. Life’s opportunities can also be found when financial freedom is gained.

A large percentage of military members are from hardworking, blue-collar, middle class families that lived paycheck-to-paycheck. Given that, I asked myself, “How can I assist this new generation of service members in achieving greater prosperity than his or her parents?”

The answer is to have an honest conversation about how money and credit works in America. You may think you are better off than your parents. Just because you now have a few dollars in your Armani wallet or Louis Vuitton handbag. No grasshopper, you are not, and here is why: Keeping up with the Joneses or Kardashians is an expensive endeavor and, at the end of the day, meaningless. When one of our community members visits my office and requests financial counseling, my first questions are, “Which state in the United States do you consider as home? Which parent was the saver? Which parent was the spender?”

Coston

I am not ashamed to say that my mother was the saver who taught this old Soldier, and now financial adviser, how to save money. She kept my family from living paycheck-to-paycheck or down by the river in cardboard boxes.

Being financially responsible is important -- to you, your current or future family, and to that smiling mom or dad who is so proud to inform the entire neighborhood that their child is serving our country and saving money for his or her future.

If you are being responsible about money, you have developed a savings and investing plans that are both realistic and achievable. That means you have developed a financial plan which ensures your future life partner’s wedding ring is not purchased on credit. That means your savings account possesses enough funds to pay the first month’s rent, required deposits and a plane ticket to Italy for your life partner and maybe a dog or cat. That means you possess enough funds to support your spouse and a dog while residing in Italy as a one-income family, correct.

Most Soldiers are taxed at the 12 to 15 percent tax rate. Given this fact, your debt obligations should never exceed 36 percent of your gross pay.

Next, your monthly savings and investments in the Thrift Savings Plan should together equal approximately 20 percent or more of your gross income. This will afford you, the master of your financial destiny, approximately a 30 percent financial buffer.

Please remember, the money you spend, save or invest, is your hard-earned dollars. They are your dollars, and it is up to you to spend, save or invest each dollar wisely.

I’ll leave you with a thought until next time: “Know what you owe, and know why you owe it!”

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Art center: More than craft sticks and glitter

CASERMA EDERLE — Community members may know the local art center on Caserma Ederle for framing and engraving, or maybe have heard about collaborative youth programs through the Child and Youth Services EDGE program. Perhaps you’ve received a beautiful fused glass piece as a gift from someone who has learned about glass fusing. No matter what your experience is, the center probably offers much more than you think.

Throughout the years, the Vicenza Arts and Crafts Center has grown and added numerous services and programs to meet the needs of the ever-changing military community. The center offers various services, such as classes for adults and youth, and do-it-yourself clay and multicraft studios with an abundance of materials at customer disposal. In addition, customers are able to customize to use the wood shop and frame studio to create personalized projects.

One special program that is gaining ground is the Resiliency through Art program. In 2011, the Resiliency through Art program was geared towards Warrior Transition Unit Soldiers and spouses/family members of deployed Soldiers. It was a creative outlet for participants and was the first of its kind provided on a military installation. Using everything from pencils and paper to clay and collage, this program has proven to be an incredible outlet for anyone dealing with stress, anger, separation anxiety and more. This program is also good for boosting self-esteem and confidence.

Michelle Sterkowicz, program manager and certified art therapist, has been working on a larger level with Installation Management Command G9 out of Fort Sam Houston, Texas, to train other arts and crafts center managers on how to facilitate appropriately such a program within their art centers. Thus far, Sterkowicz has trained eight program managers, all of whom are interested in expanding this program to benefit our Soldiers and family members.

“We hope that this program continues to grow and that there will be some continuity from base to base for individuals wanting to take advantage of this wonderful program,” Sterkowicz said.

Starting this month, the Resiliency through Art program will travel to CYSS facilities to ensure that youth involved in after-school CYSS programs can also benefit from this program. Anyone interested in getting his or her children involved should contact the program manager at the local CYSS facility. Art center personnel will be at the SAC, Youth Center and Teen Center.

By Beatrice Giometto

Outlook Recreation

If you’re looking for something to do during Spring Break and don’t want to travel too far—or for too long—away from home, it’s not too late to make a plan. Consider the following options:

Agriturismo in the Italian countryside

Palaces, known rural towns, book and drive. In less than four to five hours, you will be in the rolling hills of Umbria or the wilds of Tuscany. An agriturismo is a place to stay (and a place to eat good food) while you enjoy the peacefulness of a small town or village.

To qualify for agriturismo status, the accommodation has to be on a working farm. But don’t expect to be mucking out the stables: most of these places offer modern conveniences like en suites and swimming pools, many lay on good home cooking, and some are utterly charming. Prices reflect product, but in general agriturismi are comparatively inexpensive; they’ll certainly come in at a much lower cost than the average Tuscan villa. http://www.agriturismo.it/en/

A long weekend in a Masseria in Puglia

These ancient farmhouses are the best solutions for experiencing the authenticity of this idyllic region. They were once the heart of vast land estates, surrounded by rolling fields, groves and pastures, inhabited in summer months by landowners and farm workers. Today, many masserie have been lovingly restored and turned into restaurants or small hotels. Ideal for those who like to immerse themselves in nature in search of peace and relaxation, the masserie in the Puglia countryside help to make the landscapes of the region unique.

Vicenza Arts and Crafts Center manager Michelle Sterkowicz said that this year, the Vicenza Arts and Crafts Center is working with the BCW to determine which areas of specialty items available for sale. (Photo by Laura Kreider, USAG Italy Public Affairs)
News briefs

Estate claims: Spe. Kiley I. Williams
Anyone having any claims or obligations to the estate of Spe. Kiley I. Wil-
liams in 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Brigade Combat Team, should contact the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center (CPAC) Court Officer 1st Lt. Vincen Marcatonio at DSN 637- 4200 or via email: vincen.m.marcato-
nio.mil@mail.mil.

Planned demonstration
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Darby students participate in career day

Story and photo by Chiara Mattirollo
DMC Public Affairs Office

CAMP DARBY – All Livorno Unit School students enjoyed the annual Career Day and Job Fair in March. The event allowed students to explore career options through office visits and presentations done by middle school students about various jobs.

Christy Blevins, school principal, described how the day unfolded: “In the morning, the middle school students participated in an exploration of emergency response skills while the elementary school students took field trips around base to visit working people and learn about their jobs.”

In the afternoon, the middle school students developed and presented a job fair to those in the lower grades. “I was impressed by the middle school students’ preparation and presentations,” Blevins said. “It was apparent that they put thought, organization and consideration of the audience into their displays.”

As students presented career fields, community subject-matter experts were on hand to assist and able to clarify career information and provide material to anyone interested in learning more. Blevins said elements learned about careers that they had not previously known about.

“I liked the news reporting session,” said Jordan Caole, elementary school student. “I learned that it is important not to mumble while being interviewed and to smile at the camera.”

Ali Alvis, elementary school student, said she liked the performance done by an older friend, Sara Anderson, who showed the art of ice skating. “I liked ice skating and the way Sara held her leg up while turning and maintaining her balance,” said Alvis.

Anderson, together with Martina Roncoletta, presented three career opportunities: news reporting, ice skating and dancing. The students said the career day was an incredible learning experience.

“I learned that even if we felt we were not ready for the presentation, [it was fine because] we worked hard and in the end, we made it. Never give up,” said Roncoletta.

“The subject-matter experts from our community focused on not only providing content information but also on the importance of education and perseverance in getting where you want to be,” said Blevins. “Their support and insight was greatly appreciated.”

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At the movies

Barber Shop: The Next Cut

It’s been more than 10 years since our last appointment at Calvin’s Barber Shop. Calvin and his longtime crew are still there, but the shop has undergone some major changes. Most noticeably, our once male-dominated sanctuary is now co-ed. The ladies bring their own flavor, drama and gossipy to the shop challenging the fella’s at every turn. Despite the good times and camaraderie within the shop, the surrounding community has taken a turn for the worse, forcing Calvin and our crew to come together to not only save the shop, but their neighborhood.

Chapel activities

Chapel Services (VICENZA)

VMC Chapel, Building 29
Phone: 637-7575

Sunday schedule
Post Chapel
9-10 a.m. - noon
Roman Catholic Mass
11 a.m.-noon
General Protestant Worship Service
1:30-3 p.m.
Gospel Worship
5-6 p.m
Contemporary Protestant Worship Service

Protestant Women’s Bible Studies
Post Chapel
9-15 a.m.-noon
Tuesdays (Childcare)
5:30-7 p.m.
Tuesdays

Protestant Men of the Chapel
Bible Study, Post Chapel
5:30-7 p.m.
Tuesdays

Saint Mark’s Catholic Women of the Chapel
Post Chapel
9 a.m.-noon
Wednesdays (Childcare)

Youth of the Chapel
High School
5-8:30 p.m. Wednesdays
Call chapel for location.

Bible/book studies
Chapel Activity Room, Building 29
9:30 a.m.
Tuesdays

Service Details:

6:30-7:30 p.m.
Thursdays
Gospel Service
Bible Study

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
Building 395
6:30-7:30 a.m.
Mon thru Fri Seminary
6-7 p.m.
Tuesdays
Young Men’s Women Meeting

Church of Christ:
Sundays, Bldg. 395
1-3 p.m.
Call chapel for more information.

Del Dina Soldier Ministry
Siegholtz Center
6 p.m.
Tuesdays
Bible study & dinner

Chapel Services (CAMP DARBY)

DSN 633-7267, comm. 050-54-7267
24/7 Chaplain Crisis Line
634-KARE (5273) or 0444-71-5273

Sunday schedule
Camp Darby Chapel
9:10 a.m.
Roman Catholic Mass
10:30 a.m.
Protestant Service

Protestant Women of the Chapel
Bible Study
9:30 a.m.
Tuesdays

Hotline to Heroes 5K

Nick Bedwell, a.k.a. The Hulk, and Dustin Foulks, Thor, from 1st Battalion, 503rd Attack Company, 173rd Airborne Brigade, wear costumes while participating in the Hotline for Heroes 5K run on Caserma Ederle Track and Field April 2. Approximately 300 community members participated in the event, which was open to runners, joggers, strollers and pets. The run was intended to help bring awareness to sexual assault, teen dating violence, substance abuse and domestic violence. After the run, U.S. Army Garrison Italy Commander Col. Steve Marks presented trophies for Most Unit Participants, Best Unit Percentage and Biggest Family winners.

(Chris Beddwell, U.S. Army Garrison Vicenza)
Out & About

Festa della Birra Artigianale

Beer Fest
April 8, April 15, and April 22, 6 a.m.-1 p.m.; April 9, April 16, and April 23, 4-10 p.m.; April 10, and April 17, and April 25, 10 a.m.-10 p.m.; April 24, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; in Santa Lucia di Piave (Trevise), Via Mareno, about 78 miles northwest of Vicenza. Exhibit and sale by 20 breweries, food booths, workshops and sampling. Entrance fee: €3; free for children younger than 14. Free parking. http://www.fierabirra.it/

Fiera Antiquaria
Antique Items Fair
April 9-10, and April 16-17, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., in Padova, Via Tommasone 59, about 24 miles southeast of Vicenza. Antique furniture and rugs; glass art products; jewelry, museum collections, paintings and sculptures. Admission fee: €8; reduced €4 for children age 13-17 and senior citizens under 65; free for children younger than 13. http://www.antiquariapiadova.com

CorriRetrone
Non-competitive 7-13-20 km March
April 10, 8 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; departure 8 – 9:30 a.m. in Vicenza, Via Dino Carta 3. The €2.50 participation fee includes refreshments during the march and at the finish line. The march is named after the Retrone River and the trail paths that are located around the river in the Ferrovieri area of Vicenza. http://www.eventiesagre.it/Eventi_Sportivi/21093527_Corri- retrone.html

38a Su Zu e Zo Per i Ponti
Fly over the Bridges
April 9-10, in Venice, 12 km non-competitive walk which crosses 43 bridges, with start and finish in Piazza San Marco. It is a spring event that involves thousands of people in a walk of solidarity around Venice alleys. April 9, 9 a.m.: A special evening as a tribute to Venice and to the march, through choral singing and surprise events; “Su Zu Night Live” at the Hard Rock Café; April 10, 9 a.m.: Holy Mass in San Marco Basilica; 10:30 a.m. the march departs from Piazza San Marco, 12 p.m. folk group parade in Piazza San Marco with award ceremony for largest group and best folk group; 3:00 p.m. end of the walk. There are four official refreshment points. The event will take place regardless of weather conditions. Registration fee: €6.50 (pre-booked at www.suozu.it or appointed ticket points http://www.suozuto.it/en/punti-vendita or €7.50 (sold on the day of the event at the ticket booths in San Marco square, at the railway station and at the Tronchetto parking lot). http://suozu.it/en/

Il Circo delle Pulci
Vintage and Handmade Items
April 16, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., in Vicenza, Piazzale Alcide de Gasperi. http://www.vicenzae.org/ita/eventi/calepeat/da- tem/exhibition/scalo-del-circo-delle-pulci

Mercatino Bell’Italia
Beautiful Italian Market
April 16-17, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., in Cittadella (Padova), Piazza Pirrobon, about 16 miles northwest of Vicenza. Exhibit and sale of quality food products and wines from all over Italy. http://www.eventiesagre.it/Eventi_Mostra+Mercato/834_Nolea+vins+Fiore.html

Killing Cangrande
Mystery guided tour
April 30, 5-8 p.m., in Verona, Led by an English-speaking guide, discover medieval Verona and play the role of a detective to solve a murder case of 700 years ago. The €30 ticket includes Italian aperitif in Piazza Erbe; free for children under 12 accompanied by two adults. Reserve your tour by sending an email to info@livinginvicenza.com. http://www.livinginvicenza.com/agenda/killing-cangrande-mystery-guided-tour-downtown-verona-2773

Verona Legend Cars
Vintage car exhibit
May 13-15, in Verona, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., at Verona Fair, Viale del Lavoro 8. The exhibit is a leap from past to present with a large exhibit and parade of vintage cars, as well as stands devoted to new models from major manufacturers with areas for test drives. A wide variety of the most sought-after spare parts and numerous miniature models to build, sell, and buy. Entrance fee: €15, reduced €12 for children aged 12-16; free entrance for children younger than 12 and for disabled. Special discounts (€12 and €9 reduced) for American soldiers and civilians stationed in Vicenza; to get the coupon, send an email to anna.terraccino2.ln@mail.com. If you own a vintage vehicle and would like to exhibit free of charge at the fair, please call 049-7386856; an English-speaking operator will assist you.

Outdoor Recreation has organized a trip to the car show on May 14. It departs from Caserma Ederle at 8 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. from DD Din with departure from Car show at 3 p.m.; the €45 fee includes transportation and entrance. To book a seat, call DSN 634-7453, comm. 0444-71-7453. http://www.corrivincenzo.it/carshow.html

Flower markets

Noale in Fiore
Noale with Flowers
April 10, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., in Noale (Vicenzo), Piazza Castello, Piazza XX Settembre. Hundreds of businesses from all over Italy display flowers, plants, trees, patio furniture and garden tools. http://www.eventiesagre.it/Eventi_Mostra+Mercato/834_Nolea+vins+Fiore.html

Este in Fiore
Flower and Plant Festival
April 15-17, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., in Este (Padova); Piazza Maggiore, about 28 miles south of Vicenza. Floral art workshops for all ages. Entry is €2 for the three-day event; free for children younger than 12. Every day, free access to the castle’s historical garden. http://www.estefiore.it/pagina-index.asp

Di Raro Pianto
April 16-17, 9 a.m.-7 p.m. in Bassano del Grappa, “Alberro Pardolin” Botanical Garden, Via Cartigliana 36, about 22 miles northeast of Vicenza. Rare flowers and plants exhibit and sale; food booths featuring white asparagus and other local specialties; concerts, dances, and shows. Free entrance. http://www.eventiesagre.it/Eventi_Fiori/21151748_Div-R- aro+a+Pianta.html

ArtinFlore
Flowers and Art
April 17, 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m., in Treviso, Piazza Duomo, about 55 miles east of Vicenza. Exhibit and sale of flowers, plants, patio furniture; art exhibits. http://www.wherewent.com/detail/Artigianato-in-Piazza-ArtinFlore

Flowery FESTIVAL- PRIMAVERA IN CASTELLO

Spring at the Castle
April 9-10, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., in Roncade (Trevise), at the Roncade Castle, Via Roma 141. Flowers, plants and crafts exhibit and sale; workshops for children and adults; food booths. Entrance fee: April 9, €5; April 10, €7, which include a bottle of wine; reduced €0.50 for visitors younger than 18; free for children younger than 6. http://www.facebook.com/events/160412507681396/

1 p.m.; in Santa Lucia di Piave (Treviso), Via Mareno, about 27 miles south of Vicenza (180 vendors)

Paper Roses Festival

Festa delle Rose di Carta
April 17, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., in Vigardolo di Monticello Cono Conte, about four miles north of Vicenza. Hand-made products exhibit and sale; workshops for children; puppet shows; folk music and dances; at 5 p.m. and violin classic music concert Villa Valmarana Bressan. http://www.roosedecarte.it/

Antique Markets

 Veneto

Vicenza: April 10, 7 a.m.-7 p.m., in Piazza dei Signori, Piazza Duomo, Piazza Garibaldi, Piazza Palladio, Piazza Beccaro, Piazza Castello (220 vendors)

Lonigo: April 10, 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m., in Via Garibaldi, Piazza XX Settembre, Via Quintin, about 20 miles southwest of Vicenza (about 100 vendors)

Montevecchio (Padova): April 10, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., in Piazza Dante, about 8 miles northeast of Vicenza (250 vendors)

Portobuffolé (Treviso): April 10, 7 a.m.-7 p.m., in Piazza Beccaro, about 8 miles northeast of Vicenza (250 vendors)

Montagnana: April 17, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., in Piazza Maggio, about 3 miles west of Vicenza (150 vendors)

Este (Padova): April 17, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Via Matteotti, about 28 miles south of Vicenza (60 vendors)

Egolada di Sant’Urbano: April 17, 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Via Roma, about 78 miles northwest of Vicenza (234 booths)

Treviso: April 17, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., in Piazza Duomo, about 3 miles south of Vicenza (50 vendors)

†FREE PARKING

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**Sagra del Cinghiale**
Wild Boar Festival
April 14-17 and April 21-26, in Certaldo (Florence), at the Caponnetto Center, Viale Matteotti. Opens Sun-
days and Italian holidays at noon and 8 p.m.; weekdays at 8 p.m. Food booths feature many local specialties besides the wild boar dishes.

**Mercato Europeo**
European products exhibit and sale
April 14-17, 2-7 p.m., in Pisa, Piazza Vittorio Eman-
uele. Representatives from many European countries exhibit their specialties, to include Greek cuisine, Irish
and German beers, Austrian sweets, French and Irish
crafts.
http://www.eventiesagre.it/Eventi_Mostra+Mercata-
lo/20103936/Mercato+Europeo.html

**Bicif**
Florence Bike Festival
April 15, 2-7 p.m., April 16-17, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., in Florence, Parco delle Cascine, Viale delle Cascine. Latest
in bike technology, bicycle accessories and clothing; food

**Toscana Auto Collection**
April 16-17, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., in Pescia (Pistoia), Via Sal-
vos d’Acquisto. Vintage cars, motorcycles and auto parts
exhibit and sale; food booths. Free parking.
http://www.eventiesagre.it/Eventi_Mostra+Mercata-
lo/21053210/Toscana+Auto+Collection.html

**Gelato Festival**
Ice Cream Festival
April 21-25, noon to 10 p.m., in Florence, Piazzale Michel-
angelico. It brings together the best ice cream makers and in-
dustry leaders from Italy and abroad. Buy a gelato card at the
festival ($12, €10 for younger than 18) for five samples of
gelato, a gelato cocktail, entry to cooking demonstrations and workshops – and much more. http://www.gelatofestivale.it/

**FLOWER MARKETS**

**Fior di Città – Pisa in Fiore**
Craft Exhibit and Sale
April 8, 3-8 p.m.; April 9, 9:30 a.m.-8 p.m.; April 10, 9:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m., in Pisa, Piazza Vittorio Emanuele II, Piazza Garibaldi, Piazza XX Settembre, and Corso Italia. Entertainment and flag throwers; free entry. http://www.pisainfiore.it/

**Botanica**
Craft Exhibit and Sale
April 9, noon-7 p.m., and April 10, 10 a.m.-7 p.m., in Lucca, a Supermarket of Succulents (Piazza San Giovanni, Via San Giovanni, Corte Bertolini)

**Arezzo Flower Show**
April 16-17, 10 a.m.-8 p.m., in Arezzo, Villa Severi, Via Francesco Redi 13. Rare flowers and plants; artist-
tic crafts exhibit and sale; wellness booths; gardening workshops.
http://www.arezzoflowershows.com/

**CONCERTS/SPORTS**

**Marcus Miller** – April 15 in Rome; April 17 in Padova; April 18 in Milan; April 20 in Catania

**Markus Carey** – April 16 in Assago (Milan)

**Steven Wilson** – April 26 in Trieste; April 27 in Florence

**James Morrison** – April 26 in Milan

**Cannibal Corpse** – May 1 in Milan

**Adam Lambert** – May 4 in Milan

**Wolfmother** – May 8 in Milan

**5 Seconds of Summer** – May 13 in Rome; May 14 in Rome

**Elliott Costello** – May 23 in Torino; May 24 in Milan; May 25 in Padova; May 27 in Florence; May 28 in Bologna; May 29 in Rome; May 31 in Brescia

**Yes** – May 26 in Milan; May 27 in Padova, May 31 in Flor-
ence; June 1 in Rome

**Adelè** – May 28-29 in Verona

**Black Sabbath** – June 13 in Verona

**Queen + Adam Lambert** – June 25 in Piazzola Sul Brenta

**Sean Paul** – June 23 in Milan; June 24 in Padova; June 25 in Naples

**Bruce Springsteen** – July 3 in Milan; July 16 in Rome

**Wilco** – July 4 in Ferrara; Nov. 12 in Milan

**The Chemical Brothers** – July 7 in Milan; Aug. 12 in Pes-
cara

**David Gilmour** – July 7-8 in Pompei; July 10-11 in Verona

**Van Morrison & Tom Jones** – July 9 in Lucca

**Deep Purple** – July 12 in Genoa; July 13 in Brescia

**Santana** – July 13 in Cividale del Friuli; July 19 in Rome; July 20 in Catrosina; July 21 in Assago

**Lionel Richie** – July 12 in Lucca; July 14 in Rome

**Elton John and Band** – July 12 in Pompei; July 15 in Baro-
fo; July 16 in Piazzola Sul Brenta (Padova)

**Rihanna** – Anti World Tour – July 11 in Torino; July 13 in Milan

**Lionel Richie + Earth Wind and Fire** – July 11 in Piazzola Sul Brenta (Padova); July 12 in Lucca

**Neil Young** – July 13 in Piazzola Sul Brenta (Padova); July 15 in Rome; July 16 in Lucca; July 18 in Milan

**Skunk Anansie** – July 14 in Pistoia; July 15 in Rome; July 17 in Piazzola Sul Brenta (Padova)

**Beyoncé** – July 18-19 in Milan

**Simply Red** – July 19 in Piazzola Sul Brenta (Padova); July 20 in Lucca

**Iron Maiden** – July 22 in Assago; July 24 in Rome; July 26 in Trieste

**Sting** – July 27 in Rome; July 28 in Florence; July 29 in As-
sago

**Europe** – Nov. 19 in Campione (Rome); Nov. 20 in Milan

**Justin Bieber** – Nov. 19-20 in Casalecchio Di Reno (Bolo-
agna)

**ITALIAN ARTISTS**

**Claudio Baglioni and Gianni Morandi** – April 8-9 in Assago; April 12-13 in Mantova; April 15-16 in Livorno; April 18-19 in Torino

**Bacio Biondi** – April 10 in Mantova; April 15 in Cesena

**Ezio Bosso** – April 12 in Rome; April 16 in Verona; April 19-20 in Florence; April 24 in Trieste; May 10 in Udine; April 22 in Verona

**Francesco De Gregori** – April 14 in Padova; April 15 in Caselle di Benevento; June 3 in Verona; July 2 in Rome

**Malika Ayane** – April 18-20 in Milan; April 24 in Brescia; April 28 in Naples

**Elio e le Storie Tese** – April 23 in Pergine Valsugana; April 29 in Assago; May 7 in Rome; May 13 in Rimini; May 14 in Casalecchio di Reno; May 15 in Torino; May 17 in Monti-
chiari; May 20 in Firenze; May 21 in Padova

**Valerio Scanu** – April 24 in Torino

**Antonello Venditti** – April 30 in Livorno; May 20 in Milan; May 24 in Genova; May 27 in Sanremo; July 15 in Rome

**Dario Fo** – May 20 in Padova; May 27 in Milan; June 16 in Roma

**Renato Zero** – June 1-2 in Verona

**Moda** – June 18-19 in Milan; June 25 in Cagliali

**Vasco** – June 22-23 and June 26-27 in Rome

**Ornella Vanoni** – June 26 in Verona

**Paolo Conte** – July 2 in Piazzola sul Brenta; Oct. 29 in Bres-
ca

**Biagio Antonacci** – Sept. 7 and Sept. 9-10 in Assago; Sept. 14 and Sept. 16-17 in Rome

**WWE Live wrestlemania** – April 13 in Assago (Milan); May 15 in Florence MotoGP - May 20-22, Mugello (Scarpe-
ria – Florence)

**MotoGP** – May 20-22, Mugello (Scarperia – Florence)

**Formula 1** – Sept 7-8 in Monza

**Formula 1** – Italian Grand Prix – Sept. 9-11, at Misano Circuit, San Marino

**Tickets available in Vicenza at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center, or online at http://www.greenticket.it.**

**Out & About**

**ANTIQUE MARKETS TUSCANY**

**Bolgheri (Livorno)** – April 9-10, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., downtown squares and streets

**Firenze (Tuscany)** – April 10, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Santo Spirito

**Forte dei Marmi (Lucca)** – April 9-10, 8-9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Dante

**Livorno** – April 10, 9-7 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Cavour

**Montepulciano (Siena)** – April 9-10, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Grande

**Piombino (Livorno)** – April 9-10, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Cappelletti, Corso Italia, via Fucini, Piazza Gramsci

**Pisa** – April 9-10, 9 a.m.-8 p.m., Piazza dei Cavalleri

**Pistoia** – April 9-10, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Via Pertini

**Vicopisano (Pisa)** – April 10, 8 a.m.-6.5 p.m., Piazza Domenico Cavalcia

**Certaldo (Florence)** – April 17, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Boccaccio e Via 2 Giugno

**Florence** – April 16-17, 9-7 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza della Signoria, Viale Filippo Strozzi 1

**Lucca** – April 16-17, 9-7 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Antelminelli, Piazza S. Giovanni, Piazza San Giusto, Via San Giovanni, Corte Bertolini

**Marina di Grosseto (Grosseto)** – April 16-17, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Via XXIV Maggio

**Pontedera (Pisa)** – April 17, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Piazza Risorgimento
Go with the Flow Yoga
April 11, 18 & 25
Norton Hall, Bldg. 108, Caserma Ederle

Family & MWR Events

CLASSES/WORKSHOPS

ODR, Caserma Ederle

The in-house mechanic will teach you the nuts and bolts of bike care to keep your bicycle riding safely and save money on maintenance. Learn to fix a flat, adjust gears, and brake maintenance. Bring your personal bike and tools to practice. Full cost is $40. Call DSN 634-7453, comm. 0444-71-7453.

Microsoft Basics
April 26, 1-3 p.m.
ACS, Caserma Ederle

If you've never used Microsoft Office, are re-entering the workforce, or just want to learn more about Microsoft Office, join us for a series on Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. Each class will focus on a different program, covering everything from the basics to everyday, practical use. Sign up for one or both classes. A laptop computer is required to participate. April 26 is the excel class, and April 27 is Powerpoint. To sign up, stop by or call CS at DSN 634-7500, comm. 0444-71-7500.

Youth’s Lives, Big Stories contest
Through April 30

Contest is open to children of active-du

uty military, DoD civilians, and dependants of the Army National Guard or Army Reserve. Parents 18 years or older with a military/ government ID card may submit an en-

try form on behalf of more than one child. All entries must have the consent of a parent or legal guardian. All submissions must be related to the question: ‘What does it mean to you to be a military child?’ Only entries with artwork will be accepted. Please do not submit any work that is copied from the web, a movie or clip art. Participants may choose from the following age categories when completing the form:

- Drawings
- Ages 3-4 years old
- 1st Grade
- 2nd – 3rd Grade
- 4th-5th Grade
- 6th-8th Grade
- 9th-12th Grade

One winner from each category will be chosen. The overall winner from all en-

tries will be chosen by the selection committee. Grand prize is an iPhone 4.

ARTS/CRAFTS

Mixed Media with Latica
April 15, 22 & 29; 10 a.m.-noon, $45

Arts & Crafts Center, Caserma Ederle

Learn about drawing, painting, and how to bring them together. Instructor and local artist Latica Vitez will work with students to learn new skills or improve their techniques and create something special. No experience required; all materials included. Call DSN 634-7074, comm. 0444-71-7074.

SKIES Kindermusik
Through May, Thursdays
9:30-10:15 a.m.

Families Adventure Hunt
April 14; 10-11:30 a.m.

Ederle Track & Field, Caserma Ederle

Join in the one-mile walk and show your support. There is new an excuse and an invitation to come and see what you can to show that the community is unit-

ed against harmful attitudes of victim and that there is demand of accountability. Join the walk against sexual assault. No registration required.

Ladies' Cycle Class
April 14, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

ODR Tasting & Travel Room, Caserma Ederle

Stop by the market fair to find a bargain as people let go of items they have taken with them from one PCS to another for years. Nearly 50 tables will be available to peruse.

Family Movie Night
April 10 6-8 p.m.; The Arena, Caserma Ederle

For $29.95 enjoy a movie, two hours of bowling for up to six people, pizza and more. Reserve bowling and pizza at the box office at least 15 minutes before movie start time. Call 634-8257, comm. 0444-71-8257.

#Ask about $2 daily bowling!

TRIPS/ENTERTAINMENT

Family Survival Walk & Talk
April 11, 2-4 p.m.

Davis Hall, Caserma Ederle

An afternoon of family fun and adven-

ture. Families will hunt for stations on Caserma Ederle where they will have opportunities to learn new skills and receive takeaways. The hunt is limited to the first 25 families that sign up. This event can be used as a Strong Families Challenge event. Sign up at CYS Parent Central Services through April 15.

Spring Flea Market
April 23, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

CYSS, Caserma Ederle

Stop by the flea market to find a bargain as people let go of items they have taken with them from one PCS to another for years. Nearly 50 tables will be available to peruse.

Spring Bazaar
May 13-4:45 p.m.

Golden Lion, Caserma Ederle

A day full of fun with friends who enjoy shopping, wine and cheese tast-

ing, as well as getting to know some lo-

cal vendors. Vendors from the Market Station Restaurant; photograph with your bike; Poker Run; Rider Patch; Bavarian buffet with traditional show; Biker Fest; Garmisch bike parade. Registration at the Edelweiss Resort website: www.edelweisslodgereort.com.