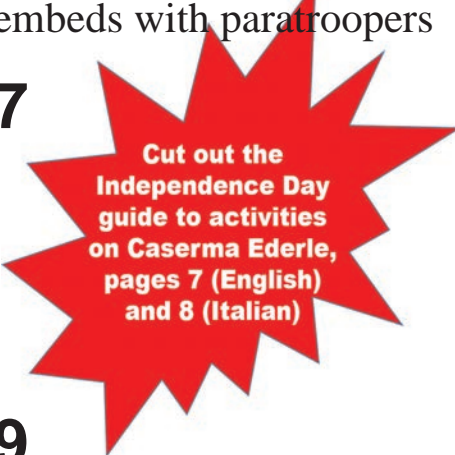


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Facts about July

- The month of July is named after Julius Caesar by a decision of the Roman Senate in 44 B.C., as July was the month of his birth.
- Until the 18th century, the word "July" in English had the stress on the first syllable and rhymed with "duly" or "truly."
- July's birthstone is the ruby, which is said to symbolize contentment.
- Seven U.S. presidents have died in July, which is more than any other month.
- July and April start on the same day in each year.

(From www.popculturemadness.com)

Gate 1 construction to impact traffic

VICENZA — A construction project designed to make it easier to merge onto Via Aldo Moro after leaving Caserma Ederle's Gate 1 will lead to traffic changes from July 9 to Sept. 2.

The Directorate of Public Works project will close the exit from Gate 1 to Via Aldo Moro so work can be done to make it easier for outgoing traffic to safely merge onto Aldo Moro. The entrance will not be impacted and will remain open.

"As Garrison Commander Col. Erik

Berdy says frequently, 'mission first, safety always.' This DPW project is designed to make it safer to merge onto Via Aldo Moro when exiting Gate 1," said Norman Stiegler, director of DPW, United States Army Garrison Italy.

During the project, Gate 2 (also known as Chapel Gate) will remain open at all times for traffic leaving the garrison. No traffic will be allowed to enter Chapel Gate during the project. Bicyclists may use the pedestrian gate or enter through

Gate 4 (Housing Gate).

There will be no change in operating hours for Gate 4.

To ease the flow of traffic as people head towards home at the end of the day, the garrison will open Gate 5 (Clinic Gate) from 4 to 7 p.m. weekdays.

These temporary changes will not affect shuttle bus services to Marco Polo Airport, Caserma Del Din or Villaggio.

The project will be completed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. (PAO)

Military personnel encouraged to participate in housing survey

VICENZA — The Overseas Housing Allowance Utility Expenses Survey takes place each year on behalf of the Allowances Branch of the Defense Travel Management Office, Department of Defense.

This year, service members in Italy may take the survey from July 1 to July 31.

The survey is designed to collect utility and recurring maintenance expense data incurred by uniformed service members stationed overseas who reside in private housing. The data service members provide assists in determining the Utility/Recurring Maintenance Allowance paid to service members in the country surveyed.

In 2018, the survey also includes the "moving in" expense survey for the Moving In Housing Allowances (MIHA) miscellaneous expenses which is done every three years.

All military personnel residing in private rental quarters are encouraged to participate in this survey, as future allowances will be set based on the results. Low participation will risk a decrease, less money in paychecks to pay utilities and recurring expenses. The Moving In Expense portion is also important because it's only looked at every three years, and this is a chance to increase amounts based on personnel input.

The survey takes approximately 20 to 30 minutes, and spouses may also take the survey in place of the sponsor. However, they will need the sponsor's Department of Defense identification number, written on the back of the sponsor's CAC card.

To complete the utility portion of the surveys, service members should have actual bills or records of utility and maintenance expenses for the last 12 months. They will be expected to compute a monthly average for each of these expenses.

To take the survey, go online to <https://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/ohaSurvey.cfm?ID=jul-utilmiha/>. This is the only link to be used by Italy's survey respondents. The survey is available online only; no paper copies are available.

Anyone with questions or needing assistance should not hesitate to contact the Housing Division in Vicenza, DSN 637-7950/7951, comm. 0444-61-7950/7951.



Thanks to the efforts of Army spouses and command support, the new playground at Caserma Del Din opened June 15 for community use.

Family members' suggestion leads to Del Din playground

Story and photo by Marleisa Arocho-Irizarry
Directorate of Public Works, USAG Italy

VICENZA — A community dream has turned into reality with the construction of Caserma Del Din's new playground completed earlier this month.

It all started when military spouse Rose Roorda, mother of three, decided to invest a few hours of her time to develop a survey identifying Vicenza Military

Community needs. Survey results of 70 Army spouses identified a need on Caserma Del Din where families could gather and children could play.

The results were presented to the leadership of United States Army Garrison Italy in 2016. The garrison command team granted their approval and sent notice to the Directorate of Public Works to proceed with construction. The playground opened to the community just two weeks

See **PLAYGROUND**, page 6



Darby fire, emergency team marks 20 years

CAMP DARBY — From left: United States Army Garrison Italy Fire Chief Dwayne Harris; Lt. Col. Michael Parsons, director of Emergency Services; Col. Renato Vaira, Italian base commander at Camp Darby; Col. Erik M. Berdy, commander, USAG Italy; Command Sgt. Maj. Mason L. Bryant, USAG Italy; Tracy Grant, battalion fire chief, Darby Military Community; and Catherine Miller, DMC deputy garrison manager, USAG Italy, cut the ribbon of the new Darby Fire Station on the department's 20th anniversary, June 1. See story, page 3. (Photo by Chiara Mattiolo, DMC Public Affairs Office)

If you could learn to do anything, what would it be?



Russell Williams
Vicenza MWR Sports,
Fitness and Aquatics
"I would like to learn
multiple languages.
I travel a lot and learning
different languages
would be a big help."



Joseph Nuttall
Dental Health Activity
"I would like to try
snowboarding."



**Dawna-Rae
Hargesheimer**
Family member
"I would like
to learn street art
(spray paint)."



Tobias Fullmer
U.S. Army Garrison Italy
DMC DPW
"Learning Italian. I only
know about 200 words;
I would like to
become proficient."



Beatrice Narducci
405th AFSBn Africa
"Anything creative, those
things you create with
your hands and get
satisfaction doing it."



Michele Maurri
Carabinieri
"To learn
foreign languages,
like English
or Portuguese maybe."

Employee Spotlight



(Photo by Chiara Mattiolo, DMC Public Affairs Office)

This week, *Outlook* puts the spotlight on Darby Military Community's **Jennifer Kandell**, facility director of Child & Youth Services.

Overview of job/duties:

"I manage the Youth Center, School Age Center and School Liaison Officer programs. I organize community events."

Major Goals:

Obtaining accreditation for the School Age Center. Ensuring that the students at the International School of

Florence are fully registered, transported and educated. Keeping the School Age Center and Youth Center programs fun and entertaining.

What do you like best about your job?

"Working with the kids and helping families through difficult transitions. Helping a family through the ISF/NDSP registration process and making their transition to a private, international school in Italy go smoothly.

"Providing fun activities and programs for youth and families on a small, remote installation."

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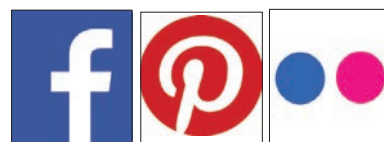
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Letter to the Editor

To the Caserma Ederle Community,

I am a coach at Vicenza High School, and I want to say thank you to the Caserma Ederle community for your generous support of the numerous fund-raising activities that our sports teams participated in this school year. Your contributions helped our athletes to travel to their post season tournaments with a significantly reduced financial burden for lodging.

Sincerely,
Adam Ridgley

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Yard of the Month

VICENZA — The United States Army Garrison Italy recognized the June Yard of the Month awardees June 15 on Villaggio. Sergeant Héctor Berrocalesramos, Vicenza Dental Clinic, Dental Health Activity, and his wife Damaris Oliveras Cardona pose for a picture with Frank Lands (left), deputy commander, U.S. Army Garrison Italy, and Command Sgt. Maj. Mason L. Bryant (right), command sergeant major, USAG Italy. The winners also received an AAFES gift card.

(Photo by Laura Kreider,
VMC Public Affairs Office)



Garrison guides improvements to Italian pay system

Story and photo by Laura Kreider
VMC Public Affairs Office

VICENZA — At the end of last year, Italian employees who work on American installations were updated on the status of a 33-year-old pay system that malfunctioned in July 2017, causing a backlog of family benefits and performance award payments.

Since then, progress has been made in the pay system, operated by the 266th Financial Management Support Center, which handles the paychecks of approximately 1,120 host nation employees both in Vicenza and at Camp Darby.

“I wanted to update everyone regarding the progress with *Studio Centro srl* of Vicenza. We began the contract with them back in March,” said Darryl McCoy, director of 266th Financial Management Support Center’s Italy Finance Center here.

He added that at the end of May they held several meetings with representatives of the local center, established in the late 1960s.

“We received the first training/demonstration session with the new Italian Local National Pay System (ILNPS).

“The first two phases of the contract were delivered [May 30] and are now being verified/tested by the Italy Finance Office team. Both were completed ahead of schedule, as Phase I was due June 1, and Phase II on June 30.

“Thus far, the company has behaved precisely as advertised, being quick to bring up questions, respond to requests,



Cristina Dal Belin Peruffo (left) leads the new team members in the expanded LN Pay Office while Eliana Scacco (in the background, white shirt) reviews time and attendance information with Antonella Manzitto, a newly hired teammate. Other members of the new team from *Studio Centro srl* include Nadia Meneghello (back), Camillo Marola (center), Giorgia Marroccu (second from right), and Giuseppe Muraro.

and the product demonstration/training was professional and very thorough. We are working with our IMO team to establish user accesses and controls to support this effort. The LN Pay team is very excited to start using and testing it,” he continued.

After describing the status of phases I and II, McCoy added that the company is confident about the next phase (Phase III), which will be delivered before July 15, highlighting that it will be —again—

ahead of schedule as it is not due until the end of August.

“We discussed the training of the local timekeepers and supervisors, and mutually agreed that although ready in July, it would be better if the actual training was performed closer to the service start date of the new ILNPS,” he said.

According to McCoy, after demonstrating the training to the finance team, the actual service will start in November or December.

“This way it will be fresher in everyone’s minds when we start the phased rollout of the time-and-attendance process to the units/organizations during the first months of 2019,” he said.

Already planning for the future, the company confirmed they have everything they need at this time to work on Phase IV requirements.

“Now that phases I and II have been delivered, we will be talking in detail with them regarding the accounting and disbursing portions, and focusing on testing the service so that we can provide them feedback on the build-out of our requirements within their platform,” he added.

Additionally, the LN Pay team continues to manage the old ILNPS and resolve program issues as they arise on a regular basis.

“All this work,” commented McCoy, “has only been possible with the help of the staff at the 414th Contracting Support Brigade and the excellent staff in the LN Pay section within the Finance Office.

“The LN Pay team has gone above and beyond to keep the old service running while working with Studio Centro to get a new service ready to take over. I’m very proud of the hard work and personal sacrifice the team has made to make this positive change possible.”

Once all phases are established, the last phase (Phase IV) will focus on U.S. Army payment and accounting systems. This section of the process is scheduled for the beginning of December with a functional payroll management start date of Jan. 1, 2019.

Darby fire department celebrates 20 years of support to community

Story and photos
by Chiara Mattiolo
DMC Public Affairs Office

CAMP DARBY — The Fire and Emergency Services department here celebrated its 20th anniversary and a new fire station in June.

Fire and Emergency Services was established at Camp Darby June 1, 1998, and since then the department has grown in numbers and qualifications, improving specialized training in compliance with the National Fire Protection Association, and professionalism.

“When the Fire and Emergency Services was established back in ‘98, mostly what we had was just our enthusiasm and willingness to perform this incredible job,” said Marco Vanni, firefighter.

“The building we were assigned was not adequate for a fire station, but we kept improving with infrastructure, uniforms, vehicles and — more than any other thing — appropriate development training and certifications that allow us to be recognized as firefighters throughout the world.”

Prior to the establishment of the organization, according to firefighter Massimo Ferrari, fire/emergency services were conducted with voluntary support by military personnel.

“We have been growing constantly, thanks to the passion and professionalism of our leaders — to the point that, in 2016, our station was recognized at (Installation Management Command) level as Fire Department of the Year,” said Ferrari.

Today, the firefighter team is composed of 16 Italian National and four U.S. firefighters, in addition to Fire Chief Tracy Grant and Deputy Commander Andrew Allen. In fact, the USAG Italy command team recently cut the ribbon to a brand



Firefighter Dario Barsotti poses with a kitten that members of the Darby team rescued June 21. Barsotti participated in the rescue of the kitten, which was under an air conditioning engine.

new facility here at Camp Darby, while the old fire station will stay in place on the Depot side of the installation to provide a timely response in case of need.

“I am so proud of the hard work these guys (firefighters) are doing to ensure security in our community,” Grant said.

Firefighters celebrated with firefighting brethren from Pisa and members of the Italian Civil Protection, enjoying together a barbecue and a cake-cutting ceremony while discussing mutual support techniques and joint training.

“Interaction with the local fire prevention entities is vital for the community,” said Catherine Miller, deputy garrison manager here. “I am glad the Italian Civil Protection and the team of forest fire prevention is here with us to maintain and establish joint training, support and response procedures.”

Allen concurred. He added that training is key to a firefighter’s success, and interoperability is of utmost importance. Most important, the firefighting profes-



Camp Darby Fire and Emergency Services staff members pose for a group photo during their 20th anniversary celebration June 15.



One of the first Darby firefighting teams, circa 1990. (Courtesy photo)

sion is a strong community.

“We are a big family,” he said. “No matter in what part of the world a fire-

fighter is, if he shows up to a fire station, he would always be welcome as a member of the family.”

Theater professionals conduct youth camp

Story and photos by Laura Kreider

VMC Public Affairs Office

CASERMA EDERLE — Soldiers' Theatre played host to the West End Stage workshop here for the second year in a row.

Approximately 30 children ranging from 7 to 15 years old had the chance to attend a weeklong workshop in the facility June 18-23 with a West End Stage team from London.

"This year the planning phase was much easier since we already ran the camp last year and already had a system in place," said Jodi Giesbrecht, Child & Youth Services instructional program specialist for SKIESUnlimited, who coordinated the event.

"We received positive feedback from all families, so we reserved the theater for this year's camp as soon as last year's camp was over. We had many new children, but some did attend the theater camp last year. This is a very intense camp that has the youth singing, dancing, and acting all day, every day, for one week. Our staff loved observing the amount of energy that goes on between the instructors and the students. It's beautiful to watch the bond that occurs especially since there is such an age gap between the students," she added.

The West End Stage team is made up of performers and technical staff from West End shows.

"We had such a fabulous week. Jodi [Giesbrecht] was a fantastic host. The children are extremely lucky to have someone like her providing them with opportunities like this," said Hollie Taylor, acting teacher whose West End credits include "Matilda the Musical" and "Oliver!"

"We are used to working with children of all ages and abilities, but the children on this base are very special. They all have such beautiful, individual talents and personalities and a great love of theater. The facilities at the Soldiers' Theatre are brilliant, and Jerry [Brees] who runs the building provided us with everything we needed," she said.

Other tutors included Chrissy Cuttall (dance) who has performed in "Dirty Dancing" and "Les Miserables"; Matthew Johnston (singing), "Titanic The Musical"; and Jon Kindon (stage management) who worked on technical teams for the National Theatre and "Young Frankenstein."

"I think the biggest challenge for the children is the amount of material we give them," said Taylor.

In fact, each student had to learn three group songs, all fully staged, a complex dance routine and a shortened version of a musical, all with their individual part to play.

"We all were extremely proud of the students, for their development throughout the week and the strength of their performance on the day," Taylor said.

One participant, nine-year-old Erica Logan, liked what



Participants in the West End Stage program perform during final rehearsal June 22 at Soldiers' Theatre. For the second year in a row, Caserma Ederle brought a West End Stage team here, where approximately 30 children ranging from 7 to 15 years old had the chance to attend a weeklong workshop with a mix of drama, singing and dance classes.



"The Little Mermaid." Since then, interest for theater within the Vicenza Military Community has continued to grow; about 55 children participated in the most recent musical, "Honk! Jr.," directed by Brees.

Arianna Rockel, 10, who was in that production, attended this workshop for the first time.

"My first experience in theatre was 'Scrooge,'" she said. "Since then, I have been in some musicals, 'Shrek Jr.' and 'Honk! Jr.'"

"I learned dancing, singing and drama, and I loved the instructors; they were excellent," Rockel said.

she experienced last year and chose to attend again. She was impressed, she said, by how the instructors taught "how to sing and talk loudly without hurting our throats. They were nice, encouraging and pushed us to our best."

Brees, director of Soldiers' Theatre, started planning children's musical productions at the theater in 2014 with

William Briggs, 15, another workshop's novice, echoed Rockel's words.

"The instructors are the most kindhearted and flamboyant people I have ever met, who can be strict, but in a good way," he said.

After participants were introduced to a mix of classes, the workshop culminated June 23 in a one-hour long performance with a full house.

"This was the first time I had the opportunity to see it," said Angelica Jordan, one of the parents in the audience.

"It is incredible what they [children] were able to do in just one week. I was impressed by the quality of the instructors, how they separated the participants into groups for acting, dancing and singing and then brought it all together with one amazing performance. I would totally recommend this experience to any student in the Vicenza community," said Jordan.

If children are interested in theater, Soldiers' Theatre offers other opportunities for youth throughout the season.

"If you missed the opportunity to participate in the summer theater camp this year, there are great ways for the talented youth of our community to get involved with theater with our annual holiday show in December and our annual youth musical in May," Brees said.

Anyone interested should call DSN 634-7281, comm. 0444-71-7281; for information about next year camp SKIESUnlimited at DSN 634-8051, comm. 0444-71-8051.

US ambassador reaffirms support to African partners

By Capt. Olivia Cobiskey

U.S. Army Africa Public Affairs Office

KIGALI, Rwanda — A United States ambassador addressed an audience at the opening ceremony to finalize the 2018 Shared Accord exercise plan at the Rwanda Military Academy in Gako, Rwanda, June 4-8.

Peter Vrooman, United States ambassador to Rwanda, said the U.S. will continue to find opportunities to work with its African partners to build a continent that is safe, stable and secure.

"The U.S. government, through both bilateral and multilateral security assistance and defense cooperation programs, has made significant investments and provided unwavering support to strengthen the professionalization of African defense forces, including Rwanda," Vrooman said. "This level of dedication to peacekeeping, protecting the most vulnerable populations in some of the most dangerous places in the world, mirrors the commitment of all the countries represented here who are taking part in Shared Accord 2018."

In its sixth iteration, the Shared Accord series began between the United States Africa Command and the South Africa

National Defense Force in 2013. Malawi, Zambia, Zimbabwe and South Africa hosted the events between 2014 and 2017. However, Rwanda has committed to hosting the exercise in 2019, making it the first time a country will host the exercise two years in a row.

"We are proud of the role we continue to play in our partnership with Rwanda, the fourth largest troop-contributing country in the world with one of the best international reputations of professionalism in peacekeeping missions," Vrooman said.

The ambassador added that Rwandans, who experienced their own genocide when more than 1 million Rwandans were killed during a three-month period in 1994, are uniquely suited to prepare participants for future security instabilities and peacekeeping operations.

"From what I know about the high standard of leadership, dedication and efforts that Rwanda puts into all its endeavors, this initiative of the RDF should not take anyone by surprise," Vrooman told the more than 90 participants from 11 African partner nations, three western Allied

nations, international agencies, and the U.S. military gathered for the final Shared Accord 2018 planning exercise.

Major Gen. Innocent Kabandana, exercise director, agreed that Rwanda's history provides its people, including its soldiers, a unique understanding of peacekeeping operations.

"Our history gave us the will to stand firm and work towards achieving the 'never

again' we speak about when there are atrocities, human rights violations and genocide being committed elsewhere in the world," said Kabandana, adding that by sharing their sto-

ry, Rwandans send a clear message. "We should not be bystanders when the need calls for each of us — or all of us — to stand and do something in the face of gross violations of human rights."

The Rwanda Defense Force is also familiar with the United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission (MINUSCA) in the Central African Republic having contributed troops to the peacekeeping operation since its creation in 2014. The MINUSCA mission will be used as a model by the Shared Accord

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--Major Gen. Innocent Kabandana

Health & Wellness

Embedded health provider 'blends in' with paratroopers

By Tamara Passut

US Army Health Center-Vicenza

VICENZA — It takes strength of body and mind to strap on more than 100 pounds of combat equipment, walk confidently to the open door of an aircraft flying at 1,200 feet, and step out to freefall into battle.

That strength of mind is what Lance Chamberlain, clinical psychologist, and his colleagues in the Embedded Behavioral Health Clinic work tirelessly to focus on every day.

In early June, Chamberlain joined paratroopers from 2nd Battalion, 503rd Infantry Regiment, 173rd Airborne Brigade during Operation Rock Drop II.

He met paratroopers at the Aviano Air Force Base flight line, worked with them as they completed pre-jump preparations, donned their combat equipment and boarded the aircraft.

Chamberlain then rode shoulder to shoulder with the Soldiers aboard the C-130 "Hercules" and watched as each one definitively stepped through that aircraft door.

The mission of the Embedded Behavioral Health Clinic is not just to be assigned to units. The staff interacts with Soldiers where they train and on their missions. That is, they do not just stay in an office and wait for Soldiers to come sit on their couch.

"Within the 173rd, our embedded behavioral health professionals are a critical member of the team. They assist paratroopers in reaching their potential and are trusted advisors to leaders, and they always take the extra steps to get a better feel for the conditions under which our paratroopers strive to excel," said Lt. Col. J.D. Keirse, commander, 2nd Bn.,



Lance Chamberlain, clinical psychologist and embedded behavioral health provider for 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team, prepares to board the C-130 "Hercules" at Aviano Air Force Base with paratroopers. (Courtesy photo)

503rd Inf. Rgt.

"These behavioral health providers engage Soldiers from within the footprint of the brigade, enhancing operational readiness and eliminating barriers to care," said Lt. Col. Kane Morgan, commander of the health clinic in Vicenza.

Behavioral health providers regularly accompany the unit they serve on training missions and deployments to interact cohesively with command teams and paratroopers outside the walls of a clinic setting.

"When our embedded behavioral health providers train side by side with the brigade, they gain important insight into the demands facing our paratroopers while simultaneously building camaraderie and respect with the Soldiers and their commanders," said Morgan.

Chamberlain explained why that

is so important.

"Our goal is to be visible to the formation and to encourage paratroopers to walk through our door with the same trust and confidence that they use to walk through the door of a C-130," said Chamberlain. "If paratroopers can interact with us in their environment, we can break down barriers and overcome any misconceptions about behavioral health care."

On this training mission it wasn't just a medic on the team, but a behavioral health provider as well, ensuring each Soldier functioned at his or her best, both in body and mind.

"Having Dr. Chamberlain in the PAHA and on our aircraft with us was an awesome opportunity for 'Rock' Paratroopers to assign a face to a resource," said Capt. Justin Rider, commander, H/2nd



Captain Justin Rider (right), jumpmaster, attaches gear to a paratrooper of 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team during Operation Rock Drop II in Aviano. (Photo by Lance Chamberlain, 173rd ABCT)

Bn., 503rd Inf. Brigade Combat Team (Abn.). "The EBH Clinic is doing great things for the paratroopers who make the effort to use it, but sometimes the stigma that comes with initiating behavioral health care can prevent paratroopers from seeking it out. Having Doc out there with us gets at the root of that issue."

If you or someone you care about could benefit from meeting with a behavioral health professional, please reach out by calling DSN 636-9140, comm. 0444-61-9140.

(Passut is the patient advocate and public affairs representative for USAHC-V.)

Parent & Child

Read those online privacy policies! Practical tips on what to look for

By Mieke VanderBorgh

Contributor

Writer's note: This is a follow-up to "Protecting children's online privacy: Tips, thoughts for keeping safe" that appeared in the June 15 issue of the Outlook.

VICENZA — You know that as a parent, you are in charge of safeguarding your children's online privacy. And you know that an important part of that is to read the privacy policies of apps and websites you and your children use.

Wait, what? You mean read those long policies with all the fine print and complicated legal language? Who can understand those things?

Theoretically, as part of the newly adopted General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), privacy policies should be getting a bit more reader-friendly (at least for apps and websites used by European Union citizens).

But no matter how clearly written a privacy policy is, the things you should be looking for don't change. Consider the following:

What information or data will be collected? What does the service want to know about you? Will the service be collecting you or your child's name, date of birth, email address, location, credit card number, Internet habits, or pictures?

Why does it want to collect this data and how is it relevant to the service? Does it have to collect this information for you to be able to use the service? Is the information aggregate (as part of group data), or is it individual? Does it collect the data once or on an ongoing basis?

Are there any particular protections for handling data from children? Does the service have age limits or require parental consent? Look at the service itself. Does it allow for avatars versus pictures? Are there ways for children to unknowingly share personal information while

using the service?

How does the service collect the information? Do I (or my child) choose to provide it upon registering? Does the service track my usage and habits automatically? Does it use cookies?

How will the information be used? Does the information stay within the service or does it get sent to others? If it gets shared, with whom is it

shared? Marketers? Government and law enforcement? Can I opt out of anything? Will my information be used to try to sell me things?

How and for how long will the information be stored? Does my information get purged at some point? Do I have a right to request that the service deletes my information at any time?

How is the information protected? Do they have secure ways to make sure my information isn't susceptible to hackers?

How can you contact the company? If I have questions or concerns about privacy issues, is there a way to contact the company? Can I request that the company correct or update my information? If so, is there a cost to doing so?

There are ways for tech companies to collect and track data on every move of today's digital natives (a.k.a., kids who are born into today's digital world), from their first breath to their every development. Our job as 21st century parents becomes ever more difficult as we need to make thoughtful and purposeful decisions about how to manage our children's digital lives.

Rather than letting digital media the power to manage your family's life, carefully reading privacy policies is yet another important step towards taking control and taking charge.

(VanderBorgh is a Child Development Specialist/Media Educator and Family Advocacy Program Parent-Child Educator and Emergency Placement Coordinator for U.S. Army Garrison Italy.)





Taylor, Mariah and Jasmyne share a happy moment at Sure Start, a free pre-school program for four-year-olds. Consider whether your family meets the criteria for the program and contact the Vicenza Elementary School today. (Courtesy photo)

Full-day preschool available

VICENZA — Vicenza Elementary School offers the Sure Start Preschool Program that is modeled after Head Start in the United States.

The full-day, high-quality preschool for four-year-olds targets children who may potentially be “at risk” for not being ready for kindergarten the following year.

There is a mandatory parent education component that includes scheduled home visits, quarterly parent meetings and participation in the classroom.

The program is designed for children of sponsors who rank E4 and below, but anyone is welcome to fill out an application. There are two classes of 18 children each, and applications are accepted all year.

If classes are full, applicants are put into a “waiting pool” and when there is an opening, the child most qualified is selected by the steering committee.

Considerations for enrollment may include one or more of the following conditions:

- Child must be four years old by Sept. 1
- Child had a low birth weight, below 5.5 pounds
- Child has parent/s whose primary language is not English
- Parent/s were teenagers when the first child was born
- Parent/s did not graduate from high school
- Child lives in a single-parent home
- The child’s sponsor is currently deployed or will be soon deployed
- The child has an older sibling with a disability
- At home there are three or more children close in age

If interested, stop by Vicenza Elementary School to get an application, or call 0444-61-8640 for more information.



PLAYGROUND

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ago on June 15.

Public Works leveraged the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and their certified playground design expert from the United States to design and construct an area that would meet the requirements for the VMC population within the age range of six months to 12 years. The new playground is centrally located adjacent to the AAFES shoppette and in close proximity to the parking structures on Del Din. It is comprised of a fenced, covered area with appropriate equipment, fall protection and use zones.

Moreover, there is a shaded outdoor area with picnic tables next to the playground where parents can sit down to enjoy lunch or a coffee while their children have a fun, safe and enjoyable time playing outside.

Upon completion of the playground, Roorda said, “It was great seeing how responsive the garrison was to this need. I first noticed it as an issue as I have been in the MOMs Club since 2015, and many of the moms there talked about no activities for the kids.

“Also, lots of people would frequent the nearby ‘Kids Village,’ which is a little privately run indoor play park where kids can play for a € entry fee. Since this need had been talked about but nothing had been put in place, I decided to take action and send proof of our needs to the appropriate, higher-level person.”

Similarly, DPW Director Norman Stiegler said, “I am extremely pleased we are able to respond to a need of the VMC community identified by the family readiness groups for both the 173rd Airborne Brigade and USAG Italy Headquarters and Headquarters Company.”

More than just a mere infrastructure investment, the playground is an investment in Soldiers and their families. The playground will enhance Soldiers’ livability and work environment by allowing them to spend quality time with their families whether it is at lunch, during a coffee break, after work, or on weekends.

News briefs

Estate claim

Anyone having any claims on or obligations to the estate of Staff Sgt. Krasean L. Clayborn, formerly of 54th Brigade Engineer Battalion (Airborne), should contact the summary court officer, 1st Lt. Thomas A. Rupp at +39-388-257-1496 or DSN 637-4167, or via email at thomas.a.rupp7.mil@mail.mil..

Mosquito spraying

The U.S. Army Garrison Italy Directorate of Public Works Operations & Maintenance Division will spray for mosquitos with ULV fogger. Spraying will take place July 2 & 3, 4-8 a.m. and July 19 & 20, 7-11 p.m., on Caserma Del Din.

In the case of inclement weather, the spray will be postponed until the next day. Community members are asked to not walk on the streets unless absolutely necessary for about an hour after the treatment to give the spray time to dissipate. Anyone with questions should call DSN 634-8236/8237.

Pool closure

The fitness center pool on Caserma Del Din is closed through July 31 for ventilation maintenance.

Dining facility closes temporarily

The Curry Dining Facility on Caserma Ederle will be closed through July 5. Meals will be provided at the Del Din DFAC for Soldiers who receive Subsistence in Kind during this closure. For more information, contact DSN 637-8950, comm. 0444-61-8950.

Financial counselor at ACS

Personal financial counselor services are available at Army Community Service on Caserma Ederle through July 5. Soldiers, family members and Department of the Army civilians may schedule an appointment by calling DSN 634-7942, comm. 348-228-3096. Or email pfc.vicenza.usa@zeiders.com.

Warrant Officer Cohort 100th anniversary

All warrant officers, officers, enlisted and Vicenza Military Community (active, retired and family members) are invited to participate in a fun run/walk in celebration of the U.S. Army Warrant Officer Cohort 100th anniversary. The run/walk will take place 6 a.m., July 9, and will include information on the history of warrant officers in the U.S. Army, guest speakers, cake cutting, music and more. Join the event at Hoekstra Field on Caserma Ederle.

Reminder from Claims Office

Have you recently PCS'd or preparing to make a permanent change of station? Doing the right thing at the right time can help ensure any loss or damage to your household goods is covered.

Personnel have 75 days from the date they receive the Household Goods shipment to file a notice of loss and damage, noting an intent to file a claim.

Claimants then have nine months from the receipt date of the HHG shipment to file an itemized claim with DPS in order to receive Full Replacement Value for missing or damaged items.

Claims filed after nine months but within two years qualify for limited compensation.

Any filing after two years could result in the denial of the entire claim. File notice of loss and damage and claim directly with the Transportation Service Provider (TSP) on Move.mil.

Service members aren't the only ones with deadlines: the TSP is required to act on claims within 60 days, either

paying, denying or offering a counter-claim.

Anyone with questions or needing more information should stop by the Claims Office in Building 166 on Caserma Ederle, or call DSN 634-8831/32, comm. 0444-61-8831/32.

Power outage on Del Din

Residents and employees of Caserma Del Din will be affected by a power outage to allow the Directorate of Public Works to perform maintenance. The outage will take place for all buildings on Caserma Del Din July 7, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Attention: Holders of government travel cards

All holders of a Government Travel Charge Card (GTCC) must confirm mailing addresses for a new SmartPay3R card through CitiManager now.

The current SmartPay2R GTCC contract will expire Nov. 29, and the new contract will begin Nov. 30.

A few things cardholders need to know:

- Current SmartPay 2 cardholders eligible for a new SmartPay 3 account will receive their new card in late summer/early fall 2018. New cards will have new account numbers and expiration dates.

- It is important that cardholders confirm mailing address for where the new card will be mailed. To do this, contact Citi at the number on the back of existing card.

- Use the existing travel card for official travel expenses until 11:59 p.m. Nov. 29, then begin using the SmartPay 3 card beginning at midnight Nov. 30.

- Eligibility criteria for a new SmartPay 3 account is defined by the Department of Defense Travel Charge Card Program Office and your component.

- Those with questions should contact their Agency Program Coordinator. If your APC is not available, contact Citi at the number on the back of your existing card.

- Holders must immediately verify receipt of the new card by following the instructions on the sticker affixed to the front of the card.

Place the card in a safe place until you are ready to use it. It will not be effective until midnight Nov. 30.

Contact your command's Government Travel Charge Card representative with any additional questions, or contact Citi at the number on the back of your existing card.

Soil-free standard for shipments

Europe is home to many agricultural pests not found in the United States and soil is a natural hideout for them. Importation of soil into the United States from foreign sources is prohibited.

Personnel assigned to Europe must ensure they clean anything that collects dirt before they send it stateside, whether as military cargo, mail, household goods or a privately owned vehicle. The pests soil contains can cause great damage to the U.S. farming economy.

Military vehicles and equipment are especially prone to collecting dirt, mud or soil, and must be thoroughly washed, especially the undercarriage, before they can be shipped stateside.

Removing soil could be expensive at the port of entry, so it is easier, cheaper and more effective to wash items contaminated by soil overseas before shipping.

Call a military customs office to find out more about agricultural threats to the United States, or visit www.eur.army.mil/opm/customs/uscustoms.htm.

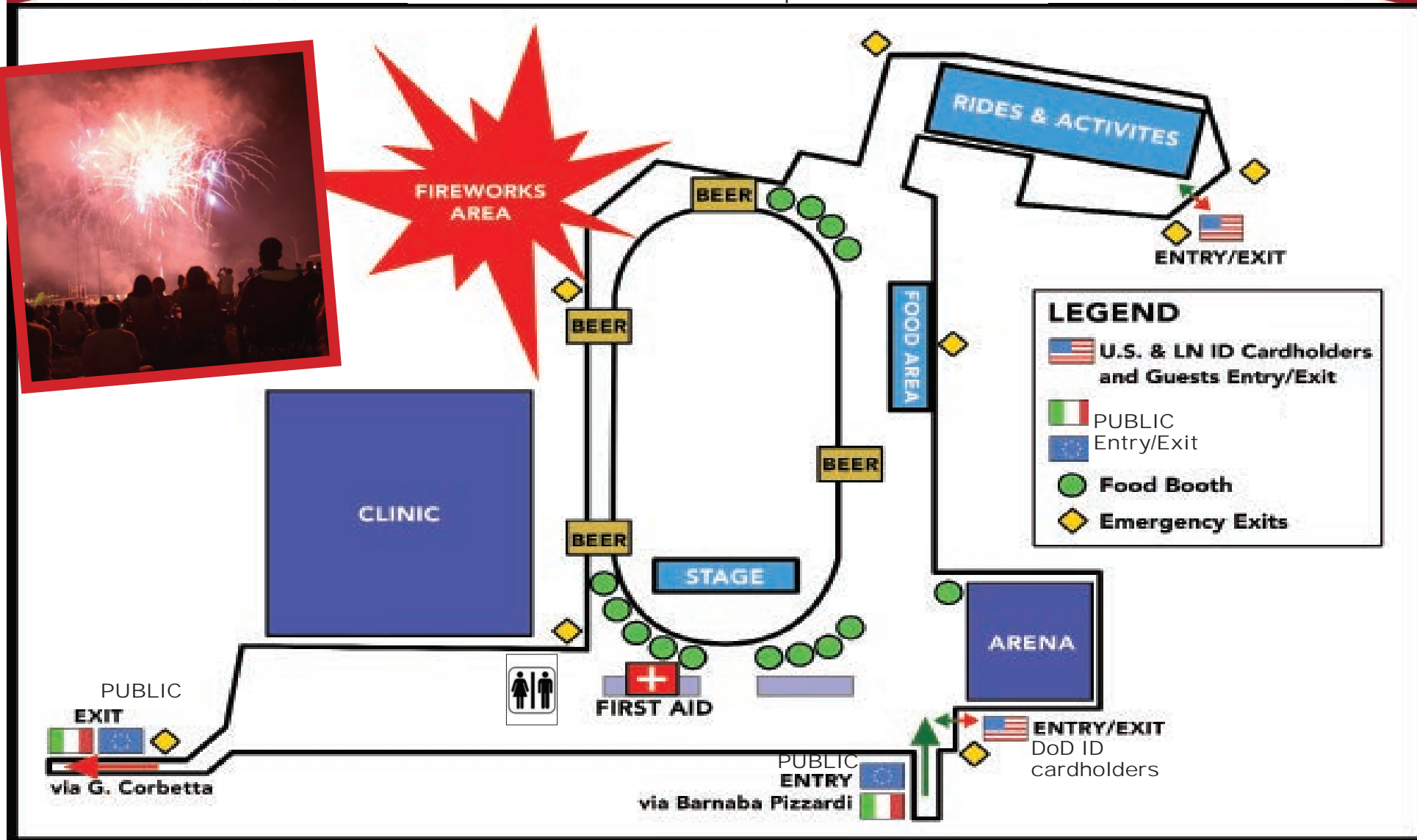


Family and MWR Presents INDEPENDENCE DAY



www.italy.armyMWR.com

Facebook: #July4inItaly
Independence Day Celebration
Caserma Ederle Sports Field



LEGEND

- U.S. & LN ID Cardholders and Guests Entry/Exit
- PUBLIC Entry/Exit
- Food Booth
- Emergency Exits

Entry for DoD ID cardholders

- Enter at the following locations:
9th Street
(in front of the Caserma Ederle Fitness Center)
- Ederle Inn parking lot
- There will be no guest sign-in on July 4.

● Guests must remain with sponsors at all times. If the guest is younger than 18 years old, one or both parents must accompany him/her.
**Please note: ID cards will be checked when entering and exiting the event area.*

Entry for public

Note the following entry/exit information and other restrictions:

- Public will be allowed to enter at Gate 4B, 7th Street (Via Barnaba Pizzardi and Via Corbetta corner) beginning at 4 p.m.
- Exit will be Gate 5 (near Health Center), 9th Street (Via Corbetta).
- Entrance gate closes at 10:20 p.m. At 11:45 p.m., the Carabinieri will begin directing the public to exit via Gate 5.

Restricted items

- No pets, backpacks, skateboards, bicycles, scooters, hoverboards or coolers allowed in event area.
- No cans or glass bottles.
- No outside food or drink.
- Blankets and lawn chairs are allowed in event area.

Emergencies

- Familiarize yourself with exit closest to your location, in case of emergency.
- If there is an emergency, exit in a calm manner and follow instructions of the personnel manning the exit and public address system.
- Emergency medical teams will be set up on 9th Street, behind the stage.
- There will be two roving medical personnel at the event site.

Parking

- Cars left in Ederle Inn parking lot after July 2 will be towed.
- No cars will be allowed to remain on No-Name Street from June 30 to July 5 (for set up/tear down/clean up).

- July 2 & 3: Access to Child Development Center on No-Name Street is for drop off and pick up only.

Purchasing food/tickets

- Dollars and euros accepted.
- Italian vendors accept euros only.

Schedule of events

- 4 p.m. — Event opens
Kids' rides in Ederle Inn parking lot; dunk tank; fund-raising booths with food, memorabilia and more; food vendors with burgers, hot dogs, Italian sausage and fries; 5 beer locations; mixed drinks and pizza slices at The Arena
- 10:30 p.m. — Fireworks
- 11:45 p.m. — Carabinieri guide public visitors out of Gate 5
- Midnight — Event concludes

Main stage schedule

- 4-6:15 p.m. — Open Mic/Local Talent
- 4:30-9:15 p.m. — Arry and the Drifters (rockabilly)
- 9:30-10:30 p.m. — Cindy and the Rock History (rock 'n' roll, classic rock to the '80s)
- 10:30-10:53 p.m. — Fireworks
- 10:54-11:45 p.m. — Cindy and the Rock History



File photos



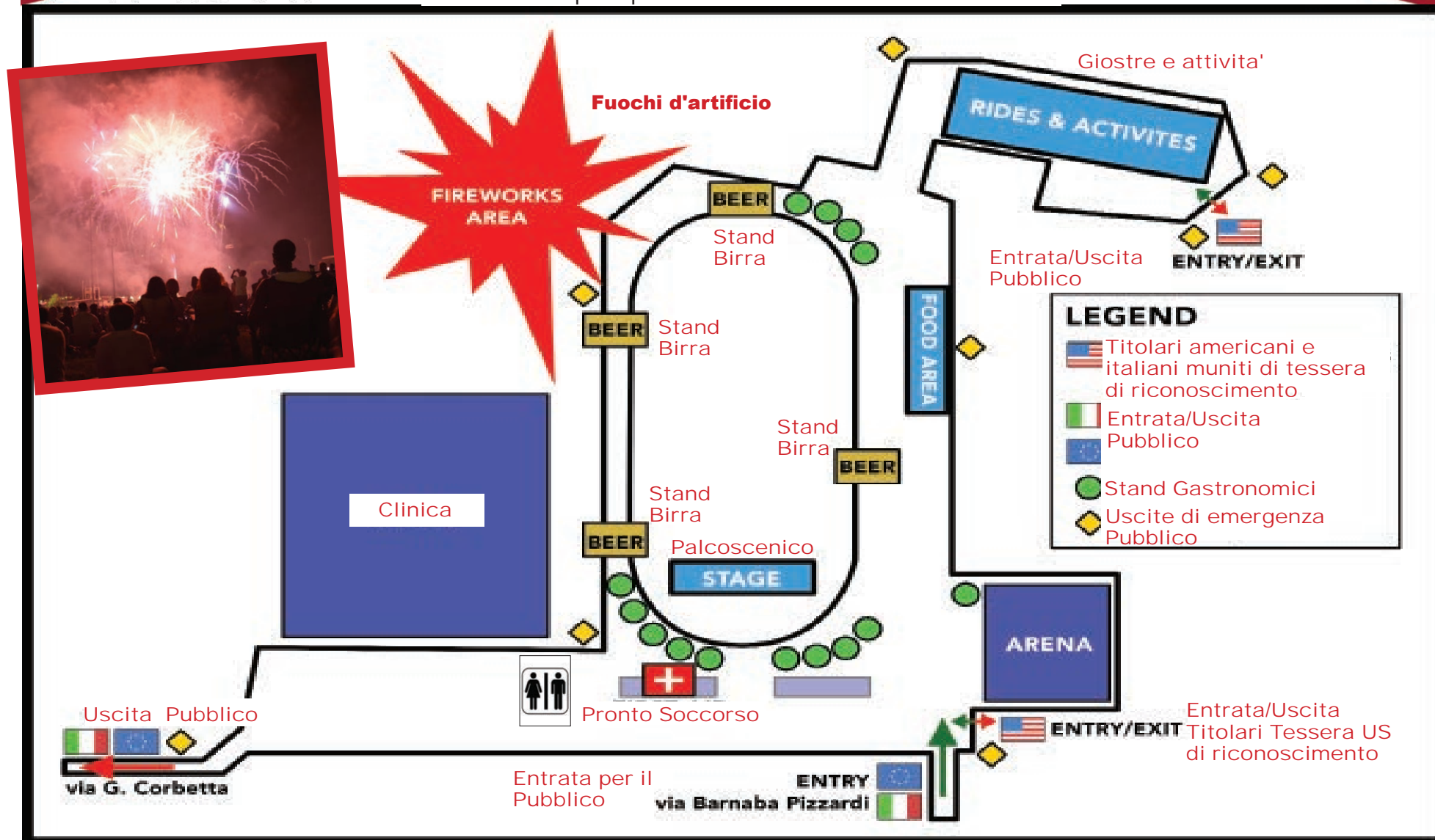
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Festa dell'Indipendenza Americana
Campo Sportivo Caserma Ederle



Accesso per i titolari di tessera militare statunitense di riconoscimento

- Possono accedere dalla 9th Street (davanti alla palestra della Caserma Ederle) o dal parcheggio davanti all' Ederle Inn.
- Non si potranno sponsorizzare ospiti il 4 luglio.
- Gli ospiti devono rimanere sempre con i loro sponsor. Se l'ospite ha meno di 18 anni, deve essere accompagnato/a da almeno uno dei genitori.

*Le carte d'identità verranno controllate sia all'entrata che all'uscita.

Accesso per il pubblico

Prestare attenzione alle seguenti informazioni:

- Il pubblico accederà unicamente tramite varco pedonale da Via Barnaba Pizzardi, 97 (Entrata 4B, 7th Street) dalle 16.00.
 - L'uscita avverrà esclusivamente dal cancello in corrispondenza di Via Corbetta (vicino alla Clinica, 9th Street, Entrata 5).
 - L'accesso sarà consentito fino alle 22.20.
- Ad iniziare dalle 23.45, i Carabinieri inviteranno il pubblico ad uscire utilizzando l'uscita su Via Corbetta (Entrata 5).

È vietato portare:

- Animali domestici, zaini, skateboard, biciclette, motorini, pattini a rotelle e borse termiche
- Lattine e bottiglie di vetro
- Cibo e bevande
- Si possono portare sedie a sdraio e coperte

Emergenze

- Localizzate l'uscita più vicina a voi in caso di emergenza.
- In caso di emergenza, uscite in modo ordinato seguendo le istruzioni del personale addetto.
- Squadre mediche d'emergenza verranno predisposte sulla 9th Street, dietro al palco.
- Ci saranno due operatori della squadra medica mobile durante l'evento.

Parcheggio

- I veicoli lasciati nel parcheggio adiacente all' Ederle Inn dopo il 2 luglio saranno rimossi.
- Per motivi organizzativi, dal 30 giugno al 5 luglio non sarà possibile parcheggiare lungo la strada fra l'Arena e il campo sportivo.

- 2 e 3 luglio. L'accesso al Centro d'Assistenza per l'Infanzia sarà consentito solo per accompagnare ed andare a prendere i bambini.

Acquisti/Biglietti

- Si potrà pagare sia in euro che in dollari
- I venditori italiani accetteranno solo pagamenti in euro

Programma

- 16.00 – Inizio attività di intrattenimento
Giochi per bambini nel parcheggio della Ederle Inn; Vasca Splash; stand di raccolta-fondi con cibo, souvenir e molto altro; stand con hamburger, hot dog, salsicce e patatine fritte; birre; bevande e pizze all'Arena
- 22.30 – Spettacolo pirotecnico
- 23.45 – I Carabinieri dirigeranno il pubblico verso l'uscita su Via Corbetta (Entrata 5)
- Mezzanotte – Conclusione dell'evento

Programma spettacoli sul palco principale

- 16.00-18.15 – Open mic/Talent show
- 16.30-21.15 – Arry and the Drifters (rock)
- 21.30-22.30 – Cindy e The Rock History (rock'n'roll, rock anni 80)
- 22.30-22.53 – Spettacolo pirotecnico
- 22.54-23.45 – Cindy e The Rock History



File photos ✂

Vicenza youth come out in force for successful spring sports season

by **Jamal A. Verdell**
Youth Sports & Fitness Director

VICENZA — The Youth Sports & Fitness Program at Child Youth Services here has just wrapped up a fun spring season of team sports.

The season included T-ball, baseball and softball, along with individual sports of track and tennis, fitness and outreach opportunities with the Homeschool Physical Education Program, Vicenza Middle School and a newly developed running club.

With participation of more than 350 athletes, it takes outstanding sports staff personnel such as Christina Giaretta (fitness specialist), Anthony Peters (field maintenance), Potter Swartz (sports specialist) and Ladi Pecsuk (assistant director) — along with exceptional volunteers and parents — to collaboratively create a fun, safe environment where youth can learn, play and develop not only sport but also life skills through sport.

The youth baseball program is available to children as early as age three and up to age 15. The three- to four-year-old athletes participated in the Start Smart "parent and me" program, where athletes and parents met with the coach each week. During these meetings, the children started building a foundation for the fundamentals of the game.

Baseball athletes ages five to nine participated in T-ball or baseball, where fundamentals of their game continue to be developed. The 10- to 12-year-old baseball and 13- to 15-year-old baseball and softball teams furthered their sport development by competing with other teams.

They played Aviano Air Base and participated in a friendship game against Italian baseball team *Vigardolo di Monticello Conte Otto* before finishing the season in tournament play against other installations with-

in Installation Management Command-Europe.

The tennis program taught by two coaches ran twice each week for an hour with youth ages 6-15. Week to week, coaches would work with athletes on how to hold on the racquet, footwork, backhand, forehand and more.

The track program was led twice weekly with the support of many parent volunteers. Youth determined whether they enjoyed long-distance running or short sprints, and trained for their respective end-of-season track meet events such as the 50m, 100m, 200m dash, or the 800 and 1600 run, as well as long jump or shotput throw. The meet was an opportunity for youth to showcase their skills, and it was a day filled with anticipation and energy as AFN Vicenza was present supplying the athletes with warm-up music and event commentary.

This spring, the youth sports team also started a new initiative with the "Run for Your Life" running club.

The free club was open to youth registered with Child & Youth Services. Forty athletes and some of their parents participated, using the hour to run several miles each day. Collectively, the club ran a total of 226 miles. Information will be coming soon as to when the club will start again.

Outreach programs included the Homeschool PE program, which gave children who are homeschooled an opportunity to participate in activities such as yoga, floor hockey, kickball and more.

During the summer months, several clinics are available to keep youth active and engaged. All clinics offered are \$20, and each enrollment is open and closes the Friday before the start of each clinic. Clinics offered include triathlon, archery, CrossFit 101, lacrosse, basketball, soccer and volleyball.



Refer to the CYS Summer Activities trifold for more information or call our office at 0444-61-7160 or 0444-61-7161. Anyone with questions about upcoming seasons or interested in becoming a volunteer coach should give the office a call.

The youth sports staff would like to thank and recognize all volunteer coaches and parents who helped facilitate the sports season. It is because of their commitment to the program that we are able to develop and enhance young lives for the better through sport.



A multitude of spring sports were offered to the youth of Vicenza Military Community. More than 350 children between the ages of 3 and 15 participated in T-ball, baseball, softball, tennis and more. The youth sports director praised parents and volunteers for their contribution to a successful season. For information on summer activities, contact Child & Youth Services. (Courtesy photos)



Friendly soccer event

LONGARE — One team of seven players from 207th Military Intelligence Brigade join in a friendly round-robin soccer event in the town of Longare June 16. The town played host to its local festival, offering a variety of events and entertainment to the community. In the photo, Shilo Velasquez, 207th MI Bde., prepares to cross into the penalty box during the first game against the local team *Nuova Medellin*, while Vincente Moreno, left, looks on. In addition to the American team, four teams, including volunteers and local soccer clubs, participated in the sport event, including *Le Quattro Stagioni*, *Pieve di Longare* and *Spalle Lussate*.

(Photo by Laura Kreider, VMC Public Affairs Office)

VENETO & NEARBY

Notte Bianca/White Night

June 29-30, 5 p.m.-3 a.m., Vicenza, Piazza dei Signori, Piazza Castello, Piazza San Lorenzo, Giardini Salvi, Piazza Matteotti, Piazza delle Erbe; Contrà Pescherie. Evenings of shopping and fun downtown Vicenza; stores will be open until 11 p.m.; concerts, street artists, and dancing. Free access to all events.

Palio delle Contrade/Districts' Competition

June 29-30, 8-11 p.m., Camisano Vicentino. Historical parade at 8 p.m.; competition at 9 p.m.; entertainment with jesters, magic and fire shows.
http://www.eventiesagre.it/Eventi_Storici/1131_Palietto+e+Palio+delle+Contrade.html

Isola Live Festival

June 29, beginning at 7 p.m., and June 30 from 4 p.m., Isola Vicentina, Parco Rizzi, Via San Antonio 13. Live music, workshops, musical instruments exhibit, food trucks (one features vegan products); entertainment for children. Free entrance and free camping.

Festa della Tagliata/Slice Steak Festival

June 29-July 4, 6:30 p.m.-midnight, in Sarmego, Grumolo delle Abbadesse, Piazzale della Chiesa, about 10 miles southeast of Vicenza. Food booths featuring the local Sorana sliced steak, bruschetta, beer and non-alcoholic drinks open at 6:30 p.m. Carnival rides; live music and dancing start at 9 p.m.; fireworks July 4 at 11:30 p.m.

Castelli di Gusto

Wine and Cheese Tasting at a Castle

June 29, Thiene, Corso Garibaldi 2. Two guided tours, one from 7:30 to 9 p.m. and another from 9 to 10:30 p.m. Visit the castle and taste three Breganze wines and three Asiago cheeses. Cost is €20. Call 348-896-4870 to reserve a visit and choose the time of your tour.

Festa della Tosella/Tosella Cheese Festival

June 30-July 4, 6:30-11 p.m., in Villalta, Gazzo Padovano. *Tosella* is a non-fermented white cheese also known as white steak; food booths featuring *Tosella* and many other local specialties, wine and beer. Opens at 7 p.m.; live music and dancing from 9 p.m.; carnival rides; July 4, fireworks at 11:45 p.m.

Festa della Bruschetta/Bruschetta Festival

Through July 2, Arcugnano, about 5 miles south of Vicenza. Food booths featuring the typical *bruschette* (i.e. toasted bread seasoned with garlic, olive oil, etc.), *bigoli*, gnocchi and other local specialties open at 7 p.m. Live music and dancing from 8 p.m.; local craft exhibit and charity raffle.

Triskell – Festa Internazionale di Musica Celtica

Triskell – International Celtic Music Festival

Through July 1, Trieste; Boschetto del Ferdinando; Via Carlo de Marchesetti. Opens at 4 p.m. on weekdays and 10:30 a.m. Fridays-Sundays; Celtic market and food; natural elements, fire and crystal balls shows with Vassago. Celtic wedding celebrations (€10); live music every night starts at 9 p.m. Clay workshops; free Scottish and Celtic dancing workshop; archery workshops; body and face painting.

Jesolo Jazz'N'Blues

Free live jazz in Jesolo, 9 p.m.

July 10, Barbara Belloni Rolling Thunder, Piazza Marconi

July 23, Oglia Olio e Swing, Piazza Milano

Aug. 6, On Cue Jazz Xtet, Piazza Marconi

Feste Marinare/ Sea Festival

July 13-14, July 27-28, Aug. 10-11 and Aug. 17-18, from 6:30 p.m., Cortellazzo (Jesolo), Sport Center, Via Amba Alagi 47. A variety of fish specialties; music and dancing.

Jamrock Festival

July 18-22, 7 p.m.-2 a.m. Vicenza, Parco Farini, Via Farini. Live music, shows, street food and craft beer, street art; entrance fee: €1 until 9 p.m.; €2 after 9 p.m.

Brudstock – Three days of peace, love, and music

July 20-22, Vigonovo di Fontanafredda (Pordenone). Live music, motor show with vintage cars, motorcycles and trucks from the '70s; vintage items exhibit and



Fitness in the park, Vicenza



Celtic festival, Trieste



Sand Sculpture Festival, Jesolo

sale; food booths. Free entrance.

July 20: Happy Jack's (Italy); C.S.N. & Y Hommage; Atomic Rooster (UK); Fabio Stevie Ulliana & Off Limits Band (Italy)

July 21: Screaming Eagles (Italy); The Shaman's Blues (Italy); Hundred Seventy Split (UK); Tres Hombres (Italy)

July 22: Young bands' Contest

Estate al Parco/Summer at the Park

Free outdoor fitness classes

Through Aug. 31, Vicenza, Parco Querini, Viale Rodolfi.

Mondays

Tai chi: July, 7-8:30 p.m., Palco del Tempietto. Ancient Chinese exercises, described as meditation in motion, which promote serenity through gentle, flowing movements.

Do-in: July, 7-8 p.m., La Radura. Exercises for physical and mental well-being.

Fit and Motion: July, 7-8 p.m., at Porta Papa; music fitness workouts that include cardiovascular activity, toning and stretching.

Tuesdays

Jazzercise: July, 6:30-7:30 p.m., Palco del Tempietto.

Krav Maga: July, 7-8 p.m., La Radura. An effective, modern and dynamic self-defense and fighting system.

Open Air Dance: July 24, 7:30 – 8:30 p.m., Palco del Tempietto. Flamenco; belly dance and modern dances.
Super Tone 360: July, 7:30- 8:30 p.m., Parlo Porta di Papa. Exercises to invigorate your muscles and shape your body.

Wednesdays

Taij and Qi gong: July, 6:30-8 p.m. La Radura. Chinese ancient exercises that integrate physical postures, breathing techniques and meditation.

Yoga: July, 6:45-8 p.m., Palco del Tempietto.

Ethnic Dances: July 4, July 11, and July 17, 8-8:45 p.m., Palco del Tempietto.

Thursdays

Taij and Qi gong: July, 9:30-11 a.m. La Radura.

Hatha Yoga: August, 7-8:30 p.m. Palco del Tempietto. Exercises that include physical postures, purification

procedures, poses, breathing and meditation.

Bioenergy Workout: July 12 and July 18, 7:30-8:30 p.m., La Radura.

Aikido: July, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Palco di Porta Papa. Aikido is a form of self-defense and martial art that uses lock, holds, throws and the opponent's own movements.

Fridays

Jiu jitsu: June, 7-8:45 Palco del Tempietto. Jiu jitsu is a Japanese art of unarmed combat and physical training that develops self-control and self-esteem.

Saturdays

Kung Fu: July, 6-7 p.m., La Radura.

Sundays

Tai chi: July, 9-10:30 a.m., Palco del Tempietto. Chinese ancient exercises, described as meditation in motion, which promote serenity through gentle, flowing movements.

Self-defense workshops: August, 10:30 a.m.-noon, Palco del Tempietto.

David Chipperfield Architects Works

Through Sept. 2, Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 5-8 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 10 a.m.- 8 p.m., Vicenza, Palladian Basilica, Piazza dei Signori. Contemporary architecture exhibit; entrance fee: €12; reduced €8.

La Partita a Scacchi a personaggi viventi

Live Chess Game

Sept. 7-9, Marostica, Piazza degli Scacchi, about 18 miles north of Vicenza. Grand opening Sept. 7 at 9 p.m., Sept. 8-9, 9 p.m. This chess match commemorates the historic chess match of 1454. The game is a reenactment of the match that Lord Taddeo Parisio held to determine the marriage of his daughter. Purchase tickets well in advance online at <http://www.marosticascacchi.it/it/partitaascacchi/ticket.html#1>.

Sculture di Sabbia/Sand Sculpture Festival

Through Sept. 9, Jesolo, Piazza Brescia. This year's theme is "Sand Raptors." International artists take part in this special event by competing in shaping every kind of artistic figure with fine golden sand. Free entrance.

Egitto. Dei, faraoni e Uomini

Egypt. Gods, Pharaohs and Men

Through Sept. 18, Fridays-Sundays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Jesolo, Via Aquileia 123. This exhibit offers a display of Egyptian artifacts coming from the most important collections of Italian and foreign museums. Entrance fee: €16; reduced: €12 (senior citizens older than 65; students and people with disabilities); €8 (children aged 6-12); free for children younger than 6. Tickets include audio guide.

Venice Secrets –Crime & Justice Exhibit

Through Sept. 30, open daily, 10 a.m.-10 p.m, Venice, Palazzo Zaguri, Campo San Maurizio. In a Venetian palace, through a five-story route divided into 36 rooms, visitors will see a secret side of the city. The display is divided in four sections: justice and torture; prisons and prisoners; capital executions; Inquisition and Holy Office. Entrance fee: €16; reduced €12, for senior citizens older than 65 and children ages 6-14.

VENETO MARKETS

Marostica (Vicenza): July 1, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.; 8 a.m.-8 p.m. April-September, Piazza Castello (135 vendors)

Noventa Vicentina (Vicenza): July 1, 8 a.m.-6 p.m., in Piazza IV Novembre (120 vendors)

Vittorio Veneto (Treviso): July 1, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Serravalle, Piazza Minucci and surrounding streets (75 vendors)

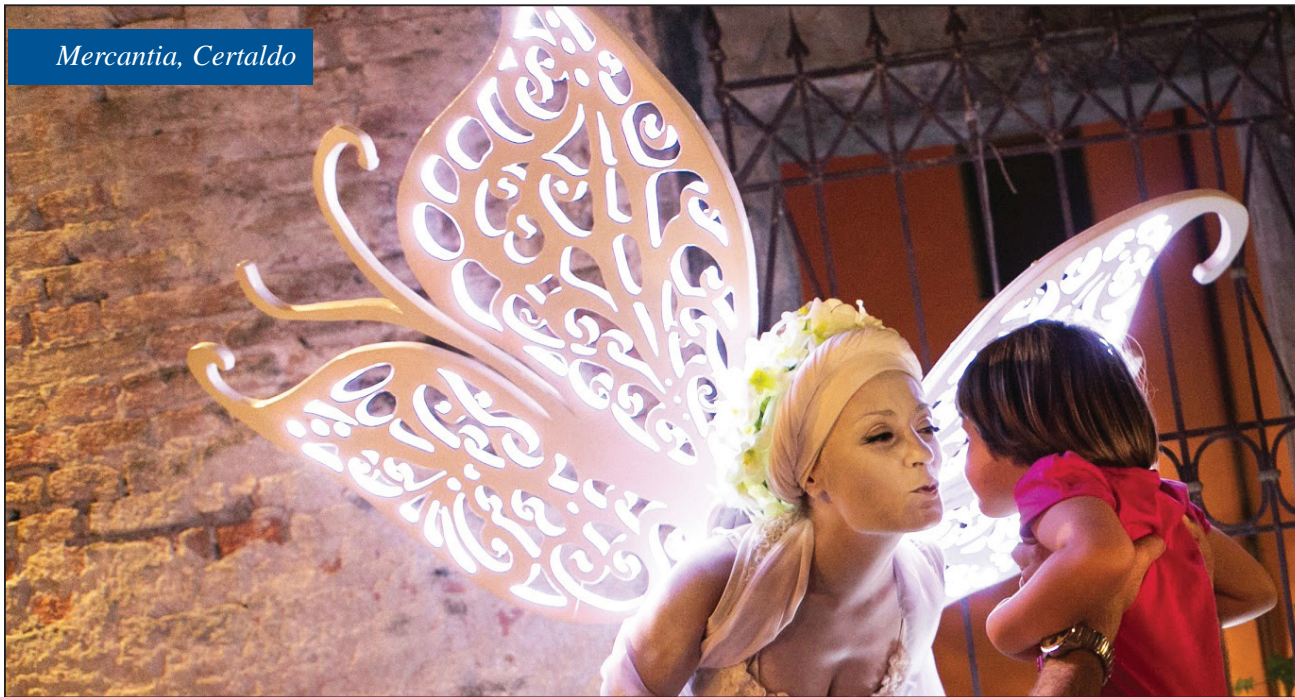
Lonigo (Vicenza): July 8, 8:30 a.m.-7 p.m., Via Garibaldi, Piazza XX Settembre, Via Ognibene (about 100 vendors)

Montebelluna (Padova): July 8, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza 1° Maggio. (about 70 vendors)

Portobuffolè (Treviso): July 8, 7 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Beccaro (about 250 vendors)

Villafranca (Verona): July 8, 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Castello (90 vendors)

CONCERTS/SPORTS



Santana – June 29 Padova
Ziggy Marley – June 29 Legnano (Milan)
Ben Howard – July 4 Gardone Riviera (Brescia)
Steve Hackett – July 4 Rome; July 8 Gardone Riviera (Brescia); July 14 Pistoia
Simple Minds – July 5 Marostica
Anastacia – July 5 Pordenone; July 14 Genoa
Jay-Z & Beyoncé – July 6 Milan; July 8 Rome
Cigarettes After Sex – July 7 Gardone Riviera (Brescia); July 10 Rome
Ringo Starr – July 8 Lucca; July 9 Marostica; July 11 Rome
Deep Purple – July 9 Verona
Iron Maiden – July 9 Milan; July 17 Trieste
Alice in Chains – July 10 Milan
James Blunt – July 10 Genoa; July 11 Padova; July 13 Pistoia; July 17 Rome
Roger Waters – July 11 Lucca; July 17-18 Assago
Joss Stone – July 15 Verona
Lenny Kravitz – July 16 Verona; July 17-18 Lucca
Nick Cave and The Bad Seeds – July 17 Lucca
LP – July 17 Padova
Kasabian – July 17 Ferrara; July 18 Lignano Sabbiadoro (Udine); July 19 Genoa
Pat Metheny – July 18 Gardone Riviera (Brescia); July 20 Rome
James Taylor – July 20 Lucca; July 22 (Pompei, Naples); July 23 Terme di Caracalla (Rome)
King Crimson – July 22-23 Rome; July 25 Lucca; July 27-28 Venice
Scorpions – July 23 Verona
Norah Jones – July 24 Gardone Riviera (Brescia); July 26 Lucca (with Marcus Miller)
Marcus Miller – July 25 Gardone Riviera (Brescia)
King Crimson – July 25 Lucca; July 27-28 Venice
Sting – July 28 Rome; July 29 Verona; July 30 Naples
Eminem – Sept. 7 Milan
Europe – Oct. 2 Bologna
U2 – Oct. 11-12; Oct. 15-16 Assago (Milan)
David Garrett and his band – Oct. 17 Rome; Oct. 19 Florence; Oct. 20 Assago (Milan)
The Musical Box – Oct. 28 Rome; Oct. 30 Florence; Oct. 31 Milan; Nov. 1 Padova
Maneskin – Nov. 14 Florence; Nov. 15 Padova; Nov. 17-18 Bologna; Nov. 24 Milan
Liam Gallagher – Nov. 15 Conegliano; Nov. 16 Rome
Dire Straits Legacy – Nov. 20 Assago (Milan); Nov. 21 Padova; Nov. 23 Brescia; Nov. 24 Florence
Elton John – May 29-30, 2019, Verona

ITALIAN ARTISTS
Gianni Morandi – July 12 Marostica
Francesca Michielin – July 12 Pistoia; July 14 Forte di Marmi; Sept. 2 Treviso
Francesco De Gregori – July 13 Gardone Riviera (Brescia); July 25 Florence; Aug. 14 Asiago
Gianna Nannini – July 13 Mantova; July 16 Pistoia; Aug. 13 Follonica (Grosseto); Aug. 14 Forte dei Marmi (Lucca)
Fabrizio Moro – July 16 Marostica
Vinicio Capossela – July 21 Gardone Riviera (Brescia); July 28 Forte dei Marmi (Lucca); July 31 San Gimignano (Siena)
Ermal Meta – July 28 Villafranca (Verona)
Laura Pausini – Oct. 7 Florence; Oct. 9-10 Padova
Claudio Baglioni – Oct. 16 Florence; Nov. 16-17 Padova; Nov. 20-21 Montichiari (Brescia)
Luca Carboni – Oct. 18 Padova
Mario Biondi – Dec. 13 Florence; Dec. 19 Padova

SPORTING EVENTS
FIM Superbike World Championship – July 6-8, Misano Adriatico (Rimini)
ACI CSAI Racing Weekend – July 14-15 and Oct. 27-28, Scarperia (Florence)

Tickets are available in Vicenza at Media World, Palladio Shopping Center, or online at www.ticketone.it and www.getticket.it.

TUSCANY

Sagra della Zuppa/Soup Fair

June 29-July 1, Fauglia (Pisa). Food booths open at 7 p.m.; local products and craft exhibit and sale. Live music and dance shows every night at 9 p.m.

Il Gioco del Ponte/Bridge Game

June 30, 7-11 p.m., Pisa. A historical event held the last Saturday in June each year, divided into two distinct phases: a historical procession along the Arno River and the battle, which takes place on the Ponte di Mezzo. Neighborhood teams belonging to the two rival city factions demonstrate their physical power.

Sagra della Pappardella/Pappardella Fair

June 30-July 3, Castagneto Carducci (Livorno), Parco delle Sughere, Via del Parco. Food booths open at 6 p.m. and feature *pappardelle* pasta, grilled meat and other local specialties and wines. *Pappardelle* is a typical Tuscan homemade flat pasta noodle; the name derives for the verb “*pappare*” (to gobble up). Games and entertainment for children; live music and dancing start at 9 p.m.

Lucca Summer Festival

Lucca, Piazza Napoleone. Concerts are as follows: **July 1**, Sfera Ebbasta; **July 7**, Hollywood Vampires; **July 8**, Ringo Starr; **July 11**, Roger Waters; **July 12**, Gorillaz; **July 14**, Pezzali and Renga; **July 17**, Nick Cave and the Bad Seeds; **July 18**, Lenny Kravitz; **July 20**, James Taylor; **July 22**, Gianni Morandi; **July 25**, King Crimson; **July 26**, Norah Jones and Marcus Miller.

Palio di Siena/Horse Race

The *Palio* of Siena is one of the most famous horse races in the world. During the annual spectacle the city is divided into 17 competing districts (*Contrade*). In the months leading up to the event, 10 districts are selected for each race and each is assigned a horse that will compete in the Piazza del Campo. There are two races each summer: July 2 and Aug. 16. Festivities start three days prior to each *palio* with parades, food booths, blessing of the horses, live music and four race trials.

July 2: 7:30 a.m., Mass of the *Fantino* in the Chapel of Piazza del Campo; 9 a.m. last rehearsal, known as the *Provaccia*; early afternoon, around 2:30 p.m., Benediction of the horses and of the *Fantino* in parish churches of competing districts; 4 p.m., closing of Piazza del Campo, the only entrance is at Via Dupre until 6:30 p.m., when the piazza is completely closed; 5 p.m., historic pageant; 7:20 p.m., the bareback race begins; at the end, *te deum* in the Chiesa di Piazza Provenzano.

Aug. 16: 4:45 p.m., Carabinieri parade; 4:50 p.m. historic pageant; 7 p.m. the race begins.

To get tickets online, visit <https://www.palio-tours.com/palio-tickets-2018/>.

Aspettando la Battaglia di Cascina Waiting for Cascina's Battle

July 6-8, 5:30 p.m.-midnight, Cascina (Pisa). Historical reenaction commemorating the 1364 Battle of Cascina; flag-throwers, historical parades; archery competition; medieval music, games and food.

Mercantia/International Street Theatre Festival

July 11-15, Certaldo (Florence). One of the best street theatre festivals in Europe, featuring acrobats, puppeteers, ventriloquists, magicians, illusionists, fire-eaters, dancers, street actors and bands; July 11-12, 8 p.m.-1 a.m., € 10, reduced €7.50; July 13, 8 p.m.-1:30 a.m., €15, reduced €10; July 14, 6 p.m.-1:30 a.m., €20, reduced €15; July 15, 6 p.m.-1 a.m., €15, reduced €10; reductions are for children aged 7-14 and for people with disabilities.

Man Ray – Wonderful Visions

Through Oct. 7, 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m., San Gimignano, Modern Art Gallery, Via Folgore da San Gimignano; 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m. through Sept. 30; 11 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Oct. 1-7. On display More than 100 photos by Man Ray, one of the most important photographers of the XX century. His photographic works encompass fashion, portraits, and technical experimentation. Entrance fee: €9, reduced €7 for children ages 6-17 and for senior citizens older than 65; free access for children younger than six.



TUSCANY MARKETS

Arezzo: June 30-July 1, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Grande (about 1,000 vendors)

Carmignano (Prato): July 1, 9:30 a.m.-7p.m., Piazza Vittorio Emanuele II and Piazza Matteotti

Orbetello (Grosseto): June 30-July 1, 10 a.m.-10 p.m., Corso Italia, Piazza Eroei dei Due Mondi, Piazza del Plebiscito

Pietrasanta (Lucca): July 1, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Duomo

San Giuliano Terme (Pisa): July 1, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Shelley and Piazza Italia

Scarperia (Firenze): July 1, 8:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.; closes at 11 p.m. in July and August; downtown squares and streets

Bolgheri (Livorno): July 8, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., downtown squares and streets

Firenze: July 8, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Santo Spirito and Borgo Tegolaio (about 100 vendors)

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

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

Piombino (Livorno): July 7-8, 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Piazza Cappelletti, Corso Italia, via Fucini, Piazza Gramsci

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



Music Café (File photo by Laura Kreider)

ENTERTAINMENT & TRIPS

Vicenza Book Club

July 5, 6-7:30 p.m.

Library, Caserma Ederle

Head into the Ederle Library the first Thursday of each month and enjoy some time discussing the latest book selection with others. The library has a limited number of copies of the book of the month available for check out at the circulation desk, so get in before it's too late.

Porec, Croatia Cruise

July 7, 4 a.m.-11 p.m., \$120/\$70/\$50

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Travel with Outdoor Recreation along the coast of Croatia. Leave Vicenza for Porec, hop on a boat, and stop to explore fabulous spots along the way. Enjoy lunch onboard. There will be a stop in a city and a stop to swim and stretch your legs. Swimming is not required, though — participants can instead choose to rest and enjoy the sea view.

Sea Kayaking at Lake Garda

July 7, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., \$50

ODR, Caserma Ederle

Glide through the waters of Lake Garda, navigating along the coast of the Sirmione peninsula. The Garda mountains serve as backdrop, the historic town of Sirmione as foreground. After an introduction to paddling and setting up the boats, participants will head out on the open water. After about 1-1/2 to 2 hours of paddling, we'll reach the lunch destination. Following lunch, hop back into the boats for a final hour of paddling. Arriving back at the van, everyone will load up the boats, change into dry clothing, and make the return to Vicenza. Ages 12 and older recommended.

BOSS Veneto Walk/Hike/Run

July 8, 6:30-11 a.m., 2,50 euros

Various locations

On the second Sunday of each month, single and geographically separated bachelors/ettes can join BOSS outdoors to discover local surroundings and get some exercise. Enjoy nature, local culture and architecture in different locations in the Veneto region. BOSS takes participants to the start location. Various course lengths for all skill levels. Local information and door prize drawings at the finish.

Dubrovnik, Croatia, and Game of Thrones Weekend

July 12-16, \$495/\$312/\$125/\$50

ODR, Caserma Ederle

Walk the streets of King's Landing in Dubrovnik, Croatia. The city is on the coast, in the Dalmatia region of Croatia. A major tourist destination, Dubrovnik is best known for being the set of King's Landing on the hit HBO TV series "Game of Thrones." To make the most of the time in Croatia, the bus will depart late Thursday night. Trip includes transportation, facilitator, three nights in a three-star hotel with breakfast, "Game of Thrones" guided tour and guided tour of the city. Passport required. Register with Outdoor Recreation in person.

Music Café

July 13, 7:30-11 p.m.

ODR, Caserma Ederle

Music Café nights are casual improv jam nights for music lovers by music lovers. Great music and amazing community talent await at the next Music Café, celebrating its 8th year. Entry is free and refreshments will be available for purchase.

Turin and the Egyptian Museum

July 21, 6 a.m.-9 p.m., \$90/\$55/\$35

ODR, Caserma Ederle

Turin, *Torino*, was the head of Italian parliament in the 1800s and is the home to some of Italy's most prestigious universities. Well known for "The Shroud of Turin," the cloth that covered Jesus Christ after his Crucifixion, this city has much to offer. The Turin Egyptian Museum has one of the most complete sets of ancient artifacts in the world, second only to the museum in Cairo. The museum boasts the statue of Ramses II and more than 4,000 years of Egyptian history. Participants will have a guided tour of the city followed by free time to eat or explore. Afterward, we will head to the Egyptian Museum and view the collection of Egyptian artifacts.

Wakeboarding and Beach Trip

July 21, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. \$85

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Join Outdoor Recreation for an adventurous day of wakeboarding in nearby Treviso. Cost includes transportation, facilitator, guide, entrance fee, board rental and membership to the park; lunch not included. Don't forget your swimsuit.

Portoroz, Slovenia Beach Day

July 22, 6 a.m.-9 p.m., \$75/\$45/\$25

ODR, Caserma Ederle

What better way to enjoy summer beach weather than on the coast of

Slovenia? Outdoor Recreation will take participants to Slovenia to spend time on the beach in Portoroz, an Adriatic seaside resort and spa town located in southwestern Slovenia. Hit the beach or check out the town. Passport required.

Mt. Pasubio Hike

July 22, 6:30 a.m.-5 p.m., \$45

ODR, Caserma Ederle

Hike the 52 tunnels, also known as the *Strada delle 52 Gallerie*, an important part of World War I history. Built in 1917, the road was used to provide lateral lines of communications and supplies to the Italian V Corps in the Pasubio area. The *gallerie* were needed to quickly move troops and equipment along a line out of sight and artillery fire of Austrian and Hungarian enemy forces. Ages 16 years and older only.

Darby Trip:

Gardaland Amusement Park

July 28, 5 a.m.-11 p.m., \$55

Camp Darby

Head to the shores of Lake Garda for a fun-filled day at the Gardaland Amusement Park. Enjoy rides and attractions during this day of fun in the sun. Minimum participants required: 25 people. **Sign up by July 20.** Make payments at the snack bar in Building 305 during regular hours of operation.

Tarzaning

July 28, 5 a.m.-7:30 p.m., \$100

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Explore along a creek during this exciting activity that is filled with swings, ropes, Tibetan bridges, Tyrolean crossing and other incredible things that are sure to make for a fun day. Ages 16 years and older; register at Outdoor Recreation in person or over the phone, DSN 634-7453, comm. 0444-71-7453. Cost includes transportation, equipment, instruction and facilitator.

CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Breastfeeding Basics

July 10, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

ACS, Bldg. 108, Caserma Ederle

The lactation consultant will walk moms through the basics. Topics include benefits of breastfeeding; importance of colostrum; frequency and duration of feeding; and more.

Infant Massage Class

July 13 & 27, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

ACS, Bldg. 108, Caserma Ederle

Join the New Parent Support Program for this exciting chance to bond with your infant. Instruction is available to parents of children 5 weeks old to crawling. Learn techniques of infant massage to help baby sleep longer, enhance bonding, improve circulation and more.

Interviewing Skills

July 17, 9:30-1:30 a.m.

ACS, Bldg. 108, Caserma Ederle

Learn effective strategies so you will be prepared to make a great first impression, answer questions effectively and land your next position. Takes place every third Tuesday. Sign up no later than two days before the class by calling DSN 634-6884, comm. 0444-71-6884.

Romp-N-Stomp Playgroup

July 18, 10-11:30 a.m.

SKIESUnlimited, Bldg. 308

Caserma Ederle

Every Wednesday (except holidays), Romp-N-Stomp playgroup is a time for learning through play. Parents with children ages birth to three years old are invited to this weekly playgroup. Working parents are encouraged to drop in and spend time with their families during their lunch hour. Call DSN 634-7500, comm. 0444-71-7500.

Bringing Baby Home

July 19, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

ACS, Bldg. 108, Caserma Ederle

This class is provided by the New Parent Support Program. Second time parents are encouraged to attend, as with every birth you become a new parent and no two children are alike. Learn practical tips about newborn behavior, sleep, SIDS, how to soothe a crying baby and much more. Call to register at DSN 634-7567, comm. 0444-71-7567.

Baby Wearing Wrap-Up

July 26, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

ACS, Bldg. 108, Caserma Ederle

This class teaches about the practice of baby wearing, so participants and their babies can enjoy the maximum benefits. Benefits include building strong bonds, calming and soothing, and helping baby develop socially. Learn different carrier types including wraps, slings, and buckled or soft-structured; selecting the right carrier; and how to safely position baby in an ergonomically correct position.

FITNESS & SPORTS

Basic Open Water Scuba Diving in Croatia

July 6-16, *see schedule below

\$580/\$420 for non-students

ODR, Caserma Ederle

Enjoy the beauty of the Adriatic Sea and become certified to scuba dive in one of Europe's finest diving locations: Pula, Croatia.

July 6: Initial paperwork and meet instructor

July 9-11: 6-10 p.m., learn basic scuba skills in the classroom/pool sessions

July 12: Open day for participants to pack and prepare for the trip

July 13-15: Leave Pula and spend the next few days diving and living the Croatia coast lifestyle

July 16: Return to Vicenza around 6 p.m.

Participants must be able to swim and tread water. Cost includes: transportation, instructor, certification, learning materials, scuba equipment, dive fees, tank fills and three nights lodging. Does not include meals. Passport required; register at Outdoor Recreation.

BOSS Morning Bike Rides

July 6, 13, 20 & 27, 6-7:30 a.m.

ODR, Caserma Ederle

New and experienced riders are invited to join; no registration is required for weekly morning bike rides. Bring road bicycle, helmet, spare inner tube, and water and snacks as needed. Call for information, DSN 637-2712, comm. 0444-66-2712.