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High 57 / Low 37  
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High 59 / Low 52  
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## Touring the beaches of Normandy



The Battle of Normandy Museum in Bayeux, France, chronicles the history of the Allied invasion of Normandy that began June 6, 1944. A visit to the Normandy coast provides the chance to tour the beaches where the Allied Forces disembarked, along with monuments, museums, bunkers and cemeteries commemorating the battle.

### History comes alive at the site of a great battle

Story and photos by MCI (NAO)  
John Parker, NSA Naples Deputy  
Public Affairs Officer

One of the big advantages of living in Naples is all the history that surrounds us. We have nearby Pompeii, Pastenum, Agropoli, and we are only two hours away from Rome. But one of the most important places in our own U.S. history is less than five hours by plane and less than three days drive: Normandy, France. It was on June 6, 1944 on the beaches of Normandy where the U.S. military and Allied Forces launched the greatest amphibious assault in history.

Code-named "Operation Overlord" and commanded by American General Dwight D. Eisenhower, the Allies landed the morning of June 6 at five beaches in Normandy, which were given the code names of Utah Beach, Omaha Beach, Gold Beach, Juno Beach and Sword Beach. It was 6:30 a.m. when the first American assault waves hit the beaches of Utah and Omaha. In all, some 160,000 men invaded Nazi-occupied France in the first wave by sea, land and air. The invasion fleet was the biggest armada in history, with more than 5,000 ships and landing craft.

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This memorial stands on Omaha Beach in the village of St. Laurent-sur-Mer in Normandy, France, and commemorates the soldiers that fell on the beaches of Normandy on D-Day, June 6, 1944.

## Vote – even while serving overseas

By MCSA Erik Luebke, Navy Public Affairs Support  
Element East – Detachment Europe

The Voting Assistance Program (VAP) at Naval Support Activity (NSA) Naples is a tool available to any U.S. citizen residing overseas who wishes to take part in the presidential election.

Voting booths for this year's presidential primary elections will be available through Jan. 27 at Capodichino and during the weekend of Jan. 21 and Jan. 22 at the Support Site Navy Exchange.

"The Voting Assistance Program was created so that service members and their dependants stationed overseas can submit their vote for a presidential candidate," said Chief Culinary

Specialist (SW) Michael Collins, the NSA Naples voting assistance officer. "The program shows them how to cast their absentee ballots so that they can make sure their vote is counted for whatever state they would normally be voting from."

According to the VAP website, children over 18 and spouses of military personnel are also eligible to use the VAP to cast their ballots. To register for and request an absentee ballot, a Federal Post Card Application must be submitted to the local election official. The best time to apply for an absentee ballot is in January, but applications are accepted up to 90 days before Election Day.

"Let's say you're from Virginia and you want to know how to vote from there if you are overseas. We have the forms and the guidance to show

you how to cast your absentee ballot," said Collins.

For the purpose of voting, service members' state of legal residence is the last state they resided in prior to leaving the United States. Some states also allow children of U.S. citizens who have never lived in the U.S., but are over 18 years of age, to vote in elections. A list of states that allow this can be located on the VAP's website.

"I think the program is a wonderful opportunity for service members who are willing to vote," said Religious Program Specialist 2nd Class (SW/AW) Andy Gomez. "It's a great tool for staying in touch with the political scene back home."

For more information, visit the VAP website at <http://www.fvap.gov/>.

# Captain's Corner

By Capt. Scott Gray  
NSA Commanding Officer



Happy weekend all! This week we are hosting the USS Whidbey Island (LSD 41) and crew. If you see extra sailors and Marines around the bases, wish them the best and offer them a ride. I know they've kept our Navy Exchange, Morale, Welfare and Recreation, Information, Tours and Travel, and USO personnel busy. I hope everyone enjoyed Naples and wish you all a safe journey home!

The weather is turning colder as winter finally sets in. If you live in town, be mindful of your thermostats so you're not stuck with exorbitant heating bills this winter. If you live in government housing, please remain cognizant of how much energy you use, even though you're not directly paying. Earth Day is every day and I ask everyone to make responsible decisions about our energy consumption.

There are a number of upcoming protests and strikes planned and rumors of many others in the works as Italy reacts to the new austerity measures and the current economic environment. Some of these protest actions have been rather extreme, including a bombing of a tax agency. I urge everyone to use caution as you travel around Italy this year. Please don't involve yourself in any protest or demonstrations and if you see one forming near you, leave the area. Anticipate issues and stay prepared. Keep gas in your fuel tanks and keep your head on a swivel. Be smart as we travel and don't get caught in a situation that could go south quickly.

As many of you know, we have a free water station set up as part of our response to the public health evaluation conducted from 2008 to 2011. There is a machine on the Support Site near the Commissary where residents can purchase water and a free water station at Capodichino near the East Garage. At Capodichino, anyone from the community can come and fill up their containers with potable water. If you would like more information, please contact the Navy Exchange regarding the Support Site unit and Public Works environmental personnel regarding the Capodichino unit.

Speeds on the Support Site are creeping back up again. It is easy to get distracted while driving on the Support Site and I would ask everyone to refocus on safely navigating the roads due to heavy pedestrian presence. If you're a driver, watch out! We're starting to implement speed traps around the base, arming security with radar guns to catch those with a heavy foot. Hopefully this will help keep our roads safe for the many children and other pedestrians throughout the base.

This coming Monday is the 108th birthday of the Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society. That makes more than a century of assistance to service members and their families in the form of interest-free loans, grants, and scholarships, as well as financial counseling, budgeting classes, and visiting nurse services. I know many of our own community members have benefitted from this vital service. We will have a chance to give back during the annual NMCRS Fund Drive starting March 1, but for now please join me in saying thank you to the society for everything they have done for our community.

We recently distributed Family Support and Youth Program funds to local organizations who made requests. Approximately \$15,000 was distributed and should greatly assist some of those organizations in supporting the community. We will conduct another board in the June timeframe and urge those organizations that would qualify to request funding. Again, this funding was donated by the local community for the benefit of the community during past CFC campaigns. Thanks to everyone for your generosity!

I hope to see everyone out there for Craig Karges on Sunday. I know he's been here in the past and has a great show planned. Also, remember to clear your calendars for the Cirque Dreams shows on Feb. 7. Admission for these two performances will be on a first come, first served basis, so get there early!

# Base Notes

From Panorama staff reports

## Safety Note: Strikes

Reactions to new austerity measures have sparked protests throughout Italy. Please exercise caution. Strikes and protests may occur with very little notice. Always keep at least a half a tank of gas in your car, and if you see a protest forming, avoid it. Sicily recently experienced a trucker strike that cut off supplies to many gas stations and grocery stores, and blocked some major highways. A nationwide taxi strike is scheduled for Jan. 23, and trains and public transportation personnel are scheduled to strike Jan. 27.

## Memorial service for Ernesto Festa Jan. 24

A memorial service will be held for Ernesto Festa, the late UIL union representative and Navy Exchange employee, at 3 p.m. Jan. 24 in the Support Site Chapel.

## USO bingo Jan. 22

Spend a fun Sunday afternoon Jan. 22 with the USO Naples Volunteer committee at the Naples High School Cafeteria playing bingo. Take home prizes such as electronics, home appliances, gift baskets and more. As always, there will be tasty foods, sweets and door prizes for children and adults. This free event, suited for families and unaccompanied service members, is scheduled from 3:30 to 6 p.m. Doors open at 3 p.m.

## EFT and bank check transactions

The Italian law prohibiting cash payments in excess of €1,000 goes into effect Feb. 1. Personnel who will be affected by this law can make arrangements for electronic funds transfers (EFT) or bank checks by visiting one of the following on-base institutions:

- Community Bank, located at Capodichino, can process both EFT or bank checks for account or non-account holders.
- Banco di Napoli, located at Capodichino and Allied

Joint Force Command Naples (JFC), can process both EFT or bank checks for account or non-account holders.

- The Navy Exchange can process EFT from the Euro exchange counter of the customer service desk at Support Site, and can issue a bank check there as well with a three-day waiting period. The Navy Exchange is working to streamline the bank check process and expand both services to the customer service desk at Capodichino.

- Italian post offices and banks off base can also process these transactions.

Note that the landlords' banking information is required for an EFT, and other documents, including an accurate Codice Fiscale, may be required at some institutions as well. Please continue to look for updates on how this law will affect the Naples community in the Panorama, PAO Notes, AFN, and via social media.

## Navy Exchange to adjust hours for inventory

The Navy Exchange is conducting annual inventory, and will be adjusting hours at some locations.

Jan. 27 — Gricignano minimart: 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.;  
Wine shop: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Jan. 28 — Capodichino minimart: 8 a.m. - noon

Jan. 30 — Main store at Support Site: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.;  
Bookstore/jewelry/sunglass shop: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

## Important DODDS dates

- Jan. 27: No school — Teacher work day
- Feb. 2: Early release — 1 p.m.
- Feb. 3: No school — Teacher work day
- Feb. 7: Music Booster Thrift Store Fundraiser

## More information on last week's outage

This past Sunday, the Italian utility company ENEL performed maintenance on their portion of the substation that serves base housing, the Department of Defense Dependents Schools and the Child Development Center (CDC). This substation is located off-base, and is neither controlled nor operated by Mirabella. The U.S. Navy has no contractual authority to control ENEL activities. Because this substation also serves the schools and CDC, only weekend outages are tolerable. The outage on Sunday was less than four hours in duration. Thanks to everyone for your patience and understanding.

## CNE-CNA-C6F/CNREURAFSWA IG HOTLINE

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Speak to the CNREURAFSWA Investigator:.....081-568-2600

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E-mail: ighotline@eu.navy.mil

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- NCTS .....nctscustsvc@eu.navy.mil

## Educational needs of military children workshop Feb. 13-14

The Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC) will conduct its Transition Counselor Institute Training II in Naples Feb. 13 to 14 in the Naval Support Activity Naples Community Center. This free two-day workshop is open to all members of the community and addresses the needs of students in military families. This training will focus on the social and emotional needs of the military child; present data from MCEC and other research institutes addressing sensitivity, transition, predictability, fitting in, and building resilience; and propose school-specific professional development based on the social and emotional needs of military children. Participants can also receive 1 graduate credit hour for this course for a fee through an arrangement with Tarleton State University. More information can be found at <http://www.militarychild.org/education/professional-development/>.

Space is limited. To reserve a seat, please contact Pamela O'Connor at [pamela.oconnor@eu.navy.mil](mailto:pamela.oconnor@eu.navy.mil) or 081-811-6549.

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## Naples December 2011 births



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| <p><b>DEC. 16 Patrick Charles McKeon,</b> 7 pounds and 2 ounces, son of Patricia Garcia Lopez and LCDR Simon C. McKeon</p> <p><b>DEC. 16 Sara Jean Greer,</b> 8 lbs and 9.9 ounces, daughter of Elisa L. Greer and IT1 Mark J. Greer</p> <p><b>DEC. 19 Ava Kathryn Selvarajah,</b> 6 pounds and 6 ounces, daughter of Laura A. Selvarajah and LTJG Kamalan Selvarajah</p> <p><b>DEC. 21 Kennedy Grace Mitchell,</b> 7 pounds and 1.1 ounces, daughter of Whitney B. Mitchell and GM1 Corey A. Mitchell</p> | <p><b>DEC. 28 Maria Giovanna Vitulli,</b> 8 pounds and 3.5 ounces, daughter of Kathryn O. Vitulli and Mr. Vito N. Vitulli</p> <p><b>DEC. 28 Brooke Erin Donovan,</b> 9 pounds and 7.7 ounces, daughter of Caryn L. Donovan and LCDR Brian M. Donovan</p> <p><b>DEC. 30 Adelyn Kathryn Bland,</b> 10 pounds and 3.1 ounces, daughter of Michelle K. Bland and HM3 Jerry J. Bland</p> <p><b>DEC. 30 Francesca Michela Nataro,</b> 7 pounds and 9 ounces, daughter of Michelle A. Nataro and LTJG Michael F. Nataro</p> |
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## Italian News Briefs

Compiled by Teresa Merola

### Sparkling, still drinking water fountains debut in Naples

The first fountain of sparkling and still water was inaugurated in Piazza Municipio in Naples. The water fountain machine will provide no plastic bottles, allowing Neapolitan citizens and tourists to fill water containers brought from home. The idea came from the Naples municipal administration and the ARIN, which is the company that manages the public water service in Naples. The idea is to raise awareness of sustainable water use, limiting the use of bottled water and thereby reducing the production of plastic bottles and other packaging waste. Three more public water fountains will be placed at the airport, at the central rail station and at the port. The service is free at the moment, although it may have a minimal cost to users in the near future.

### Cell phones, Internet to function on Naples' public transport

Starting Feb. 1, passengers on the funiculars Montesanto and Centrale in Naples will be able to talk on cell phones and surf the web. A protocol of understanding was signed with three mobile operators to ensure that voice and data services can work aboard trains and in tunnels. The service will be gradually extended to all the subway services, in accordance with the standards of European capitals.

### Taxi drivers protest in Rome; will strike throughout Italy Jan. 23

More than 1,000 taxi drivers rallied in Rome on Tuesday. They protested against government plans to free up the taxi sector and make easier to obtain taxi licenses, which are part of a package of liberalizations that the government said will hit all sectors. Police deployed in riot gear on central Rome's Via del Corso, a major thoroughfare that was closed to traffic and where fireworks were set off. Last week,

protests were held in other major cities as well. Neapolitan taxi drivers parked their cabs in Napoli's historic Piazza del Plebiscito for two days. Taxi union organizations have called for a nationwide strike to be held on Jan. 23 from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

### Italian government approves garbage plan for Campania

In response to last week's European Court of Human Rights condemnation of Italy for the long-running garbage crisis in the Campania region, the Italian government on Monday approved the Campania garbage management plan and a measure to ship the garbage from Naples to other parts of the country. The plan includes a stronger recycling system and the three incinerators already planned to be built in Campania. The Italian government decree is based on an accord between the plants in addition to agreements between the regions. Under the agreement, the garbage could be transported until Dec. 31, 2012. Environment Minister Corrado Clini will meet European Commissioner for the Environment Janez Potocnik in Brussels Jan. 25 to discuss the garbage emergency in Naples and the surrounding Campania region.

### \$83 million in assets seized from Camorra members

More than \$83 million worth of assets belonging to members of the Casalesi crime group were seized on Tuesday. Two members of the Neapolitan criminal group, a jailed businessman and the brother of jailed leader Michele Zagaria, were the subjects of the operation. Police said the Camorra is undergoing a power struggle after the arrest last month of Zagaria, who had been on the run for 16 years. In the same day, police made another mafia raid in Rome, where they seized concert-production businesses and a three-story villa. The assets, worth more than \$7.5 million, were linked to the Calabria-based 'Ndrangheta crime group, authorities said.

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### UPCOMING FFSC NAPLES JANUARY EVENTS

Call FFSC at 081-811-6372 to reserve your spot for events and classes.

- 25 RETIREMENT PLANNING W/ TSP** (9:30 - 11:30 a.m.) L-Funds, G-Funds, I-Funds, oh my! Get information on your opportunities with TSP and other ways to save and plan for retirement.
- 25 CREDIT AND DEBT MANAGEMENT** (1:30 - 3:30 p.m.) Do you know how much the minimum credit card payment is costing you? Learn strategies to pay down your debt, wise ways to use credit, and decisions that can impact your credit score.
- 26 COMMUNICATIONS SKILLS** (2 - 3 p.m.) Our ability to express what we think and feel without clouding our ability to listen and respect how other think and feel is the greatest factor of success in our work and home life.
- 26 ITALIAN COOKING CLASS** (9:45 a.m. - 2 p.m.) Trip to a restaurant to learn how to cook a variety of Italian dishes. Cost: approximately €15 to be paid at the restaurant. Participants meet outside the Support Site main gate at 9:45 a.m. and take local bus to Aversa. Requires prior purchase of 2 E1 bus tickets at ITT.
- 27 THE CATHEDRAL OF NAPLES & HISTORICAL CENTER** (8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.; departs from JFC.) Visit the beautiful cathedral dedicated to St. Gennaro, Naples' patron saint. Near the church, we will find Christmas Alley, Gold Alley, Music Alley... The oldest area in Naples!!
- 27 THE FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT PROCESS** (12 p.m. - 3 p.m.) Want to land a federal job? This workshop focuses on the key steps to gain federal employment. Topics covered vary from job searching guides to interview tips. The third hour, hands-on practice, is optional.

### UPCOMING GAETA JANUARY EVENTS

Call FFSC Gaeta at 081-568-8354/7 to sign up for a class.

- 26 ICR FIELD TRIP: AROUND "PORTO DI MOLA"** (8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.) The intent of this field trip is to discover some of the towns around the "Porto di Mola" vineyard. We will drive through the country up on to the mountain of the no longer active volcano of Roccamonfina. As we do so, we will learn the history of the locations we will encounter, visiting some ancient castles, buildings and churches. We will have local guides and then return to the Porto di Mola Vineyard for those who want to try Italian old-fashioned country cooking. Cost of food is €15.

### JANUARY

- 20 NAPLES INTERNATIONAL HAPPY HOUR** Join us at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20 at Manicomio, a new restaurant and pizzeria that recently opened at Via Alabardieri, 10 (the location of the old Bluestone Club) in Naples' Chiaia district. Chat with locals and expats alike at this monthly get-together.
- 22 NAPLES NATO YACHT CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** The Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Naples NATO Yacht Club (NNYC) will take place at the Nisida Club House at 11 a.m. Jan. 22. The principal purpose of the NNYC is to encourage the sport of sailing through various recreational initiatives among members of the NATO community in Naples. During this meeting, club officials for 2012 will be elected and the yearly budget and program of activities will be submitted for approval. Only full members of the NNYC are entitled to vote and to hold elected office. Subscription to the club must be renewed before the meeting, to include payment of annual fees, which may be done at the Club House starting at 10 a.m. Jan. 22. Application forms and additional information are available at [www.nnyc.it](http://www.nnyc.it).
- 23 CONNECT THE TOTS COFFEE TALK** Join members of the Connect the Tots Club for Coffee Talk at 10 a.m., Monday, Jan. 23 at the NEX Café in the Support Site food court. Prospective members welcome! For more information on the Club and to see more upcoming activities, visit [www.meetup.com/Connect-the-Tots-Club/](http://www.meetup.com/Connect-the-Tots-Club/)
- 24, 27, 31 CLEP TESTING** Take a CLEP/DSST test in the automated National Test Center in ADMIN II at Capo. Make an appointment in the UMUC Maryland office or call 081-568-6673/6674/6675 for an appointment.
- 24, 31 DEFENSE LANGUAGE TESTING PROGRAM.** Take the DLPT or the DLAB at the Navy College Office (NCO). Open to military members and civilian government employees. Make an appointment at the NCO or contact 081-568-6684/6683/6678 or [nco.naples@eu.navy.mil](mailto:nco.naples@eu.navy.mil).
- 26 MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM START DATE** The new cohort for the University of Phoenix MBA program starts Jan. 26 and meets on Thursday evenings at the Support Site. Call the UP office for information at 081-568-6670 or visit the UP office at Capo in ADMIN II.
- 26 WEB TA BRIEF FOR SAILORS** The WEB TA brief is at 9 a.m. Jan. 26 at Capo in ADMIN II. Visit the Navy College Office at Capo for more information or call 081-568-6684/6683/6678.
- 27 ACT TEST** Take the ACT test now - score reports arrive Naples 6-8 weeks after testing. Testing starts at 7:45 a.m.. Appointments required. Contact the Navy College Office at Capo on the main floor of Admin II or contact 081-568-6684/6683/6678 or [nco.naples@eu.navy.mil](mailto:nco.naples@eu.navy.mil).
- 27 PREP MARRIAGE COMMUNICATION/ENRICHMENT WORKSHOP** This is a workshop for couples, married or engaged, that helps develop communication skills within a relationship and that provides valuable marriage enrichment information. The next workshop will be offered on Friday, Jan. 27 (registration ends Tuesday, Jan. 24. For more information or to register, please contact the Chaplains' Office at 081-568-3539.

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# Cirque Dreams coming to Naples Feb. 7

**Cirque Dreams will perform two shows at Naval Support Activity Naples Feb. 7: one at 3:30 p.m. and one at 7:30 p.m. Seating is limited, and admittance is first-come, first serve.**

*(Photo courtesy of Cirque Dreams and Armed Forces Entertainment)*



*From Armed Forces Entertainment and Panorama staff*

Armed Forces Entertainment and Morale, Welfare and Recreation will present two showings of the Cirque Dreams World Tour in the Naples High School Gym Feb. 7.

The company will perform its show *Cirque Dreams Jungle Fantasy*, which appeared on Broadway in 2008.

The first show will be at 3:30 p.m. Feb. 7 with doors opening at 3 p.m. The second show will begin at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 7, with doors opening at 7 p.m. Seating is limited and admittance is on a first-come, first-serve basis. The event is open only to U.S. I.D. card holders. Unlike previously advertised, tickets will not be issued at Information, Tours and Travel (ITT) offices.

The Cirque Dreams company describes its *Cirque Dreams Jungle Fantasy* show as “an exotic encounter inspired by nature’s unpredictable creations.” The performance features an international cast of aerialists, acrobats, jugglers and musicians, and costumes that were nominated for an American Theatre Wing Best Costume Design Award.

“As an American company, we are proud and honored to contribute our unique entertainment services and productions to Armed Forces

Entertainment with shows like *Cirque Dreams Jungle Fantasy*,” said Neil Goldberg, Cirque Dreams founder and artistic director. “Performing for U.S. troops at home and abroad is more than gratifying. It is a privilege to bring smiles, laughs and ‘wows’ to those who serve our country.”

The Cirque Dreams World Tour will perform at 17 military installations throughout 10 countries, including the United States, Germany, Netherlands, Spain, the United Kingdom, Portugal, Italy, Turkey and Southwest Asia. The company previously performed for U.S. military installations throughout South Korea in April 2011.

U.S. Air Force Col. Kathleen Weatherspoon, chief of Armed Forces Entertainment, said Armed Forces Entertainment is “thrilled to partner with a fabulous organization like Cirque Dreams.”

“It’s not often we have an opportunity to bring Broadway-caliber talent to the troops, so this is an especially exciting tour for all of us,” Weatherspoon said. “The pledge of support Cirque Dreams is making to our soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines by taking two months to provide this epic event, as a way to say, ‘Thank you for your service,’ is awesome. I fully expect this to be a blockbuster hit – long remembered by those stationed so far from home and by Cirque Dreams.”



Participants in the Fleet and Family Support Center's stress management classes at the Support Site Fitness Forum are invited to take part in a yoga class directly afterward. Pictured here, yoga instructor Tatiana Green leads a class Jan. 10.

## FFSC offers stress management classes

Story and photo by MCI (SW) Edward Vasquez,  
 Navy Public Affairs Support Element-East Detachment Europe

The Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) continues to hold anger management and stress management classes to help service members maintain or achieve a higher quality of life.

Service members can receive advice from the FFSC on effective ways to work through stress and anger stemming from personal or work-related setbacks.

"I've been to a few classes sponsored by Fleet and Family and this is definitely one of the most informative that I have been to," said Electronics Technician 1st Class (SS) Robert Gulin, a member of Commander Submarines, Allied Naval Forces South.

Classes are held multiple times each month. While classes are group events, commands can request for FFSC instructors to come and conduct classes with them specifically.

"This class is helping people to deal with stress in their lives," said Luisa Cappiello, a FFSC

instructor. "We are giving people the techniques necessary for dealing with stress. Everybody reacts differently to stress; this class is just a way to describe different techniques so they can discover the ones that work for them."

Classes cover an array of topics but focus on stress management techniques such as planning ahead, breaking down big jobs and determining priorities.

"When I first started teaching the class, we talked more about the description of the symptoms of stress and now we have incorporated more techniques into the class because that is what people are interested in learning about," said Cappiello. "People want to know how to cope better with stress and we want to give them the tools to do it."

The FFSC stress management class is held at the Support Site Fitness Forum so that when members have completed the class they can go directly down stairs and enjoy a relaxing class of yoga. To register for an upcoming class, call the Naples FFSC at 081-811-6372.

## Individual Force Protection Plans (IFPP)

All Department of Defense personnel and their adult family members on official or unofficial travel outside of Italy must complete an Individual Force Protection Plan (IFPP). IFPPs are mandatory if one of the following criteria is met:

- If the destination country or region has a State Department Public Announcement or Travel Warning in effect.
- A U.S. Mission (Embassy/Consulate) is not present and the State Department or responsible Chief of Mission cannot extend normal consular protection services to U.S. Citizens.
- Travel includes any of the following countries: Russia, Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia, Belarus, Ukraine, Moldova, Georgia, Azerbaijan, Turkey, Israel, Lebanon, Albania, Kosovo, Serbia, and all Africa Nations.
- Travel is out of Area of Responsibility (AOR) as required by AOR Commander. (CONUS, Alaska, Hawaii, and U.S. Territories are exempt).

For more information, please contact the Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection Division at 081-568-5525 or 081-568-5595, or visit the office in the Capodichino Security Precinct in Bldg. 403, open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

### A message from the chaplain

## Beginning well

By Lt. J. Jon Neil, CHC

New Year's is a time of resolutions and new beginnings. Whatever our resolutions for 2012, we are much more likely to finish well when we begin well. Here are a few suggestions for beginning well:

#### Begin for the right reasons

It is not enough to know we should do something, or that something is the right thing, nor is it enough to do something for someone else. The task may get accomplished, but too often our heart isn't in it. Ultimately, we will finish well when we begin well by beginning for the right reasons: reasons that matter to us. When we own the reasons to begin something, we also own the desire to finish well. Make a list, either mental or written, of your reasons to begin something and remind yourself of these often. You will not just finish what you start, but you will take with you the sense of purpose that brings fulfillment from start to finish.

#### Begin with a goal and a plan

No one starts a road trip without a destination in mind and a planned route to get there. Even Sunday drives with no apparent destination have a goal and plan: to get out of the house for a while. Longer trips require a little more planning. It is the same when we begin something new in life. We are much more likely to reach our destination when we have decided what that is and the best route to get there. Define your goals, and make a plan to get there. Be sure to build in waypoints, more or less depending on your goal — places to gauge your progress and to take a rest to get the motivation you need to press on to the destination. Though the road is sometimes long, it will eventually get you where you are going if you continue to follow it.

#### Begin with accountability and encouragement

While some are more self-motivated, we are all more likely to finish well when we have the accountability and encouragement of others. We are even more likely to finish what we start when we begin with others. So whether you're beginning a solo act or a team effort, share your new beginnings with others whom you know and trust. Choose someone who cares for you who will hold you accountable to your goals and also encourage you to reach them. Add self-accountability and encouragement also. Track your progress of goals and plans. Press on when you fall behind, and reward yourself at key waypoints to maintain motivation along the way.

#### Begin with a single step

No advice is useful if not acted upon. Whatever your resolutions for the New Year, whatever your goals, there comes a time to simply begin. There may not be any fanfare or glory, but just a single step in the right direction. There may some falls along the way, but each fall can be followed by a single step. Take that step, even if only one at a time, and begin well.



Chaplain Neil is endorsed by the Assemblies of God. (Photo by Cassie Neil)

## Ergonomic tips to prevent workplace injuries

From Lt. Cmdr. Ray Brown, NSA Naples Safety Officer

Making sure your workspace fits your body will help you avoid work-related injuries, such as back strain and carpal tunnel syndrome. Even a few inches in the location of computer equipment can make a difference. Here is some helpful advice:

1. Adjust your chair so that your feet rest flat on the floor. Chairs should provide good support for the lower back.
2. Your keyboard and mouse should be located and inch or two from your thighs. Your elbows and wrists should be in a straight line as you work at your keyboard.
3. Your monitor should be no more than an arm's length away. The top of the monitor should be level with your eyes, and you shouldn't have to twist your neck to look at the monitor.
4. You should have room to stretch your legs.
5. For all workplace tasks, use the right tools for the job and keep them in good working order.
6. Your body will tell you when you are absorbing too much strain or pressure. If you end up stiff or sore after a type of work, those are signs that something in the workplace needs adjustment or redesign. Watch out if:
  - Your hands tingle or feel numb.
  - If hurts to grip something.
  - You have swelling on your hands or wrists that doesn't quickly go away.
  - Your thumb hurts.
  - Your back hurts, or you feel pain in your legs.
7. Start a daily exercise program to improve your strength and flexibility.
8. Learn how to lift correctly.



Fourth grade students from Naples Elementary School (NES) bowl free of charge at Striker's Bowling Center at the Support Site Jan. 10 as part of their physical education curriculum requirements.



Cele' Bingham (top right) a Naples Elementary School (NES) physical education teacher, leads sixth grade students from NES during a spin class at the Support Site Fitness Forum Jan. 10. The class is part of the students' physical education curriculum and also part of a school partnership program with the community.

## Partnership between school, community promotes youth fitness and development

Story and photos by MC2 (SW) Jeff Troutman,  
Navy Public Affairs Support Element-East  
Detachment Europe

A pair of physical education teachers at Naples Elementary School (NES) are making quite a difference in the lives of elementary school students by leading a unique partnership program between the school and the community.

The program, which has been heavily sponsored by the command Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) Department, includes bowling time for NES students in grades four through six as well as a spin class exclusively for sixth grade students.

"One of the things the NES physical education (P.E.) department does is integrate both personal and social skill development amongst the students in the community," said Cele' Bingham, an NES physical education teacher. "As part of a student's achievement, we promote and encourage lifelong, healthy physical activity. Both the bowling for grades four through six and the spinning for grade six are healthful, physical activities allowing students to experience fun, challenge and social interaction."

Bingham said one of the main standards that drives the instruction of the P.E. department is to explore physical activity opportunities in the community and match them with the personal interests and capabilities of the students. She

credited the MWR department for heavily supporting both the program and the efforts of the NES P.E. department.

"MWR has fully supported our programs within the community, and without the support of MWR these programs would not be possible," said Bingham. "Their efforts are highly appreciated and valued. We could not provide the best quality educational programs within our school and community if we did not work together."

With the support of MWR, approximately 330 students were allowed to bowl free of charge at Striker's Bowling Center as a part of their P.E. curriculum earlier this month. All students in grade six were given an opportunity to participate in the spinning class as a part of their P.E. curriculum.

"It is our goal to create an exciting and positive learning experience for the students," said Julia Byler, an NES physical education teacher. "It takes all of us working together to offer quality programs to our students and community. We are promoting health, fitness and families taking quality time together to share positive experiences with one another."

Both Bingham and Byler believe that an individual's health is their personal responsibility and agreed that the spin class and bowling sessions are great ways for the students to be active in a positive environment while having fun

at the same time.

The school community partnership program also affects NES as a whole, Byler said.

"These programs help to support our school mission statement, that NES will

foster a safe and nurturing environment that provides rigorous learning opportunities to empower all students to become independent, creative, problem-solvers who demonstrate exemplary character in a global society," said Byler.

For more information about Naples Elementary School, visit: <http://www.napl-es.eu.dodea.edu/>.

For information about upcoming MWR events and on-base facilities, go to: [https://www.cnic.navy.mil/navycni/groups/public/documents/document/cnic\\_a182855.pdf](https://www.cnic.navy.mil/navycni/groups/public/documents/document/cnic_a182855.pdf).



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## MWR teen center to offer youth photography club

By MC3 Caitlin Conroy,  
Navy Public Affairs Support Element-East Detachment Europe

The Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) Teen Center at Naval Support Activity (NSA) Naples Support Site will begin offering a free weekly teen photography club next week called Image Makers.

The club offers opportunities to practice and develop photo taking skills as well as build portfolios for those interested in photography. The class is available to teens in grades 7 through 12 who are registered with the Teen Center. The club will hold its first meeting at 6 p.m. Jan. 26.

"The goal of our Image Makers program is to introduce all types of photography to our teens," said Michael Yates, teen center director. "The photos taken over the course of the program are entered into the Boys and Girls Club of America's (BGCA) National Image Makers Photography Exhibit. Our teens submit photos in various categories and then compete against teens at the base, region and then national level based on their age group."

In addition to honing photography skills, 16- to 18-year-old participants are eligible to receive a \$3,000 scholarship to

pursue a career in photography or the arts.

"We don't promote it as an overly competitive competition, but we do encourage them to submit their favorite photos," said Yates.

An introduction to photography allows teens with little or no experience in photography the opportunity to become familiar with the equipment and basics of taking a photograph before being introduced to more advanced topics.

"We start out with the basics of photography — like how to compose a shot, various angles and cropping in-camera — and then we build on what they learn by introducing new topics such as portrait and landscape photography," said Ariel Owens, Child and Youth Programs training and curriculum specialist. "One of the goals of the

club is to get participants to start thinking about the art behind photography."

An exhibit will be held in Naples to display the photos from the club. Photos selected from the exhibit will be entered into a regional exhibit to compete against photographers around Europe. Winners from the regional competition will then move on to a national exhibit to compete against BGCA members from around the world.

Weekly chosen topics aim to give members a wide range of experience with different types of media.

"We want to give teens a broad range of experience in photography," said Yates. "Based on BGCA's Image Makers and 4-H Club curriculums, each week provides a different focus.

Topics range from portraits, to landscapes, to a photography field trip to downtown Naples. The purpose is to provide teens with basic photography skills, but also keep things interesting for those who already have photography experience."

Cameras are provided by the Teen Center, but participants can also bring their own equipment. Every meeting will focus on completing projects on topics such as focal point, lighting and background.

The club will be led by Teen Center employee Lizette Jeans. "We are always looking for dedicated volunteers and anyone with experience or equipment that they would like to share," said Yates.

For more information about Image Makers photography club, contact the Teen Center at 081-811-4395.

# Pentagon: Commitment to NATO, Europe 'Unshakeable'

By Army Sgt. 1st Class  
 Tyrone C. Marshall Jr.  
 American Forces Press Service

Defense Secretary Leon E. Panetta has discussed changes in U.S. force structure in Europe with NATO allies in the region, a Pentagon spokesman told reporters Jan. 13.

"There have been thorough consultations with our allies and partners throughout Europe about these decisions," Navy Capt. John Kirby said. "The other thing that we have stressed to them repeatedly ... [is] that our commitment to the alliance is unshakeable."

Kirby's remarks came a day after Panetta announced the U.S. Army will withdraw two brigade combat teams from Europe, while retaining a strong presence in the region with rotational units.

"Our security commitments on the continent of Europe remain vital to us, and though the permanent force presence will be smaller, our commitment to Europe and our allies and partners there will not be diminished at all," Kirby said. "We'll be looking at a more innovative way to answer those commitments, such as through rotational training and expeditionary requirements and that kind of thing."

Specific details on how the rotational presence will work haven't been nailed down yet, Kirby said.

The Pentagon spokesman shared the feedback from NATO allies and partners after the defense secretary spoke to them regarding the changes.

"[NATO allies were] very grateful for having the opportunity to hear from [the secretary] directly about what our

plans are," Kirby said. "I think it's safe to say they all understand where we're going, what it means for them, and I think, also, very appreciative of the fact that our commitments, again, to Europe are not diminishing."

"They, too, are facing a difficult fiscal environment and changing national security requirements for their own forces," he continued. "So I think they very much understand what we're doing and why we're doing it."

Kirby also reaffirmed the Defense Department's commitment to missile defense systems being developed in Europe and said he wasn't aware of any changes to commitments in the region.

"We remain 100-percent committed to the missile defense system that we've been developing there for Europe and for the defense of our allied partners there," Kirby said. "We're very comfortable with the capabilities that we have and will be able to maintain in Europe to contribute to the NATO alliance and the defense of our allies."

He also underscored the importance of maintaining some troop presence in the region.

"The continent of Europe sits astride several lines of communication and avenues of transportation and proximity to other parts of the world which are important to us and our partners," Kirby said. "We saw [that recently] with the operations in Libya and NATO's involvement in that how critical the support was that we received, and other partners in the alliance received, from bases in Europe. It's still a very important part of the world."



Members of the Naval Support Activity Naples community perform a dance routine during a ceremony honoring the accomplishments of the Nobel Prize-winning civil rights activist Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The event also featured song performances from local community members and remarks from several guest speakers.

## Honoring the legacy of Dr. King

Story and photo by MC1 (EXW/AW) Terry Vick,  
 Navy Public Affairs Support Element East - Detachment Europe

Naples-area sailors from the Combined Multi-Cultural Heritage Committee held a remembrance ceremony honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. onboard Navy Support Activity (NSA) Naples Jan 13.

The event featured song and dance from the local community members and remarks from several guest speakers.

"I think that any opportunity to recognize and celebrate the legacy of Martin Luther King is very important," said William Ferguson, a member of the Naval Support Activity (NSA) Naples community who recited Dr King's "I Have Been To The Mountain Top" speech during the ceremony. "The issues he spoke about are still relevant today to all people of all races and walks of life."

King became the youngest recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964 for his efforts to end segregation and racial discrimination through civil disobedience and nonviolent means. He was 35 years old at the time.

"He is considered one of the most influential civil rights activists in American history," said Capt. Mike Sokolowski of Commander, U.S. 6th Fleet. "I thought that this program was outstanding because it brought back memories of watching the civil rights movement on television as a child in Chicago. I found the experience moving and emotional."

The famed civil rights leader was assassinated on April 4, 1968, in Memphis, Tenn. He was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1977 and the Congressional Gold Medal in 2004. In 1986, Congress established Martin Luther King, Jr. Day as a national holiday. On Oct. 16, 2011 a national memorial was dedicated to the legacy of his work during the civil rights movement on the National Mall in Washington D.C.

"I think it is a very important holiday for the cause of human rights," said Ferguson. "It is the only national holiday considered a 'day on and not a day off.'"

For more information visit the NSA Naples website at <http://www.cnic.navy.mil/Naples/index.htm>.

## Support Site dog park now open



The fenced, off-leash dog park at the Support Site opened earlier this month. It is located on the west side of the Support Site behind housing building 2015. Dogs are allowed to run freely in the park without a leash, unlike in other areas of the Support Site. (Photo by MC1 (NAO) John Parker)

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## FEBRUARY

**16 MONTHLY BABY BASICS CLASS** offered by NMCRS visiting nurses. Next class is from 9 a.m. to noon Feb. 16 at the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Office, ADMIN II, Room G-016 at Capo. Topics include newborn care (i.e. bundling, diapering & bathing); feeding, crying & comforting; health & safety, etc. Contact NCMRS for registration and information at 081-568-3913.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**NAPLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA** is searching for people who want to lead the PTA during the 2012-2013 school year. PTA board members are elected every year and committee chairs are appointed every year. If you are interested in a board or chair position, please email Angel Neese at itwife2000@yahoo.com with your name, contact information, the position you would like to hold, and a little information about yourself. Open positions include President, VP of Programs, VP of Fundraising, treasurer, secretary, and volunteer coordinator.

**THE AMERICAN SOCCER CLUB (ASC) OF NAPOLI** is looking for qualified coaches for the 2012 spring soccer season for the age groups of U-9, U-11, U-13, and U-15/17. For more information or to sign up, e-mail ASCNapoli@yahoo.com or check their Facebook page, ASC-American Soccer Club of Napoli.

**THE ALLIED SPOUSES CLUB (ASC) IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS.** We need a webmaster, a publicity coordinator, a volunteer coordinator, a bazaar chair, a historian and a parliamentary authority. No experience necessary! For more information, please email club president Antonietta Alfieri Ciccone at ascpresidentjfc@gmail.com.

**ATTENTION PHOTOGRAPHERS!** Are you interested in taking photos of Naples Elementary School students during 2011-2012? Contact Dr. Johnson at 081-811-4159 or donita.johnson@eu.dodea.edu.

**NAPLES AMERICAN RED CROSS (ARC) NEEDS VOLUNTEER INSTRUCTORS.** ARC needs volunteer instructors for various courses. Those interested in becoming instructors can contact the ARC office at 081-568-4788.

**NAVY LEAGUE OF THE U.S./NAPLES COUNCIL** is seeking board members. Contact Betty Reese at 081-526-8051 or breebe@cybernet.it.

**NAPLES OFFICIALS ASSOCIATION NEEDS REFEREES** Anyone interested should contact Nigel Alexander at 081-721-5413 or 346-680-3282 or by e-mail to nalexander@afsouth.nato.int.

**NAVY-MARINE CORPS RELIEF SOCIETY OPERATION CLIP & SAVE (coupons):** 081-568-3913.

**GAETA/NAPLES AREA GIRL SCOUTS** Now accepting registration for the 2011-12 school year. We are still in need of leaders and co-leaders. Training and support provided. FMI, contact naplesgs@yahoo.com.

### ONGOING/ON THE HORIZON

**QUILTERS AROUND THE WORLD** Are you a experienced quilter or new to quilting? All levels of experience are welcome. Come and learn quilting or new quilting techniques. Share ideas and projects. We meet on the second and fourth Thursday of the month at the Support Site. Contact us at qatw.napoli@yahoo.com

**NAPLES OVERSEAS SPOUSES CLUB (NOSC)** is seeking volunteers! Join a group of dedicated and committed women to plan and execute social events, community outreach projects, and day tours. For more information, please email Chioma Griffin, club Vice President at nosc1stvp@gmail.com.

**RECEIVE DAILY REFLECTION** an inspirational thought-for-the-day e-mailed throughout the work week. To receive Daily Reflection, e-mail Chaplain Charles Luff at charles.luff@eu.navy.mil.

**SECURITY NOTE:** All DoD military or civilian personnel hosting an event off base must complete a Special Event Force Protection Plan (SEFPP) 45 days in advance, regardless of organization, if the event will involve 50 or more personnel, include distinguished visitors or involve personnel wearing uniforms. FMI, contact the AT/FP Division at 081-568-5525 or visit their office in the Capodichino Security Precinct, Bldg. 403.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL** invites community members to join the Rosary Prayer Group that meets every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Support Site Chapel. For more information, e-mail CWOCNaples@gmail.com.

**PROTESTANT WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL PWOC** Woman's Bible Study meets every Tuesday from 9-11:30 a.m. in the Support Site Fellowship Hall. Free child care provided. For questions, contact Audrey de Rivera at 345-872-9947.

**ATTN MILITARY RETIREES AND SURVIVORS** Connect to the retired community through membership in the U.S. Military Retiree Association of Southern Italy (USMRA-SI). For info and an application, visit <http://usmra-si.tripod.com> or call 329-208-7315.

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** hosts English-speaking AA meetings on and off base in the Naples area. For more information, call 347-544-0254 or visit <http://www.aa-europe.net/countries/italy.htm>.

**SURE START** is a unique program committed to providing the highest quality of education for command-sponsored children of enlisted personnel (priority to E1-E4) who are 4 years old by Sept. 1. FMI, call Karen Rodrigues at 081-811-4682 or the school at 081-811-4037.

**TOASTMASTERS** meets the first and third Tuesdays of every month. Meetings are held at the Support Site Community Center. FMI, contact Toastmasters President Leonard Augustine at 346-771-7506.

**PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS WELCOME AT ALL CONNECT THE TOTS CLUB ACTIVITIES!** The CTT Club hosts events, crafts and outings designed for you and your child (infancy through preschool). For more information on the club, visit [www.meetup.com/Connect-the-Tots-Club/](http://www.meetup.com/Connect-the-Tots-Club/).

**RELIGIOUS SERVICES AT U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL NAPLES**  
*Tuesday* Meditation & Prayer (7:15-7:45 a.m.) in the hospital chapel. Traditional hymn and praise and worship music will be provided during this time. *Wednesday* Roman Catholic Mass (11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.) in the hospital chapel. Call 081-811-6451 to confirm that Mass is being held. *Thursday* Men's Fellowship and Bible Study (6-7 a.m.) in the hospital galley.

**FILIPINO-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF NAPLES, ITALY** meets every 1st Sunday of the month at the SS Fellowship Hall at 12 p.m. FMI, contact Christian Rodriguez at christian.rodriguez@eu.navy.mil, Catherine Katimbang at catherine.katimbang@eu.dodea.edu or visit their Facebook page: Fil-Am Naples.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL** meets monthly in the Support Site Fellowship Hall for prayer and fellowship. Child care provided. For information, contact Eileen Mayette at cwocnaples@gmail.com.

**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**, San Gennaro council 14853, meets at 7 p.m. the second and fourth Thursday of each month at the Support Site Fleet and Family Support Center. E-mail Jaime Gonzalez at kofcnaples@gmail.com or visit <http://sites.google.com/site/kofcnaples/> home.

**HARRY S. TRUMAN LODGE** No. 649 meets every Friday at 7:30 p.m. FMI, contact Kevin Baker at 338-479-7023 or hst649sec@yahoo.com. Visit <http://www.hst649.org>.

**NAPLES CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOL ASSOCIATION** meets regularly to support families on their homeschooling journey. FMI, contact Susan Van Cleave at sdwvanleave@msn.com.

**BOY SCOUT TROOP 007** holds troop meetings every Monday from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Support Site Community Center. FMI, contact Scoutmaster Dennis Smith at 081-811-5585 or dennis@bsulfurcreek.com.



**Friday, Jan. 20**  
4:30 p.m. Adventures of Tintin PG  
5:30 p.m. The Muppets, PG  
7 p.m. Girl with the Dragon Tattoo, R

**Saturday, Jan. 21**  
2:30 p.m. Arthur Christmas, PG  
4:30 p.m. We Bought a Zoo, PG  
5:30 p.m. Jack and Jill, PG  
7 p.m. War Horse, PG-13

**Sunday, Jan. 22**  
4:30 p.m. Happy Feet 2, PG  
6:30 p.m. MWR and Armed Forces Entertainment Present:  
"Craig Karges: Experience the Extraordinary"  
*Free Admission*  
7 p.m. Immortals, R

**Monday, Jan. 23**  
4:30 p.m. Joyful Noise, PG-13  
5:30 p.m. Mission Impossible: Ghost Protocol, PG-13

7 p.m. Red Tails, PG 13, *Premiere Showing*

**Tuesday, 24 January**  
4:30 p.m. Jack and Jill, PG  
5:30 p.m. Red Tails, PG 13  
7 p.m. J. Edgar, R

**Wednesday, Jan. 25**  
4:30 p.m. Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn, PG-13  
5:30 p.m. Mission Impossible: Ghost Protocol, PG-13 *Last Showing*  
7 p.m. The Rum Diary, R *Last Showing*

**Thursday, Jan. 26**  
4:30 p.m. Adventures of Tintin PG, *Last Showing*  
5:30 p.m. War Horse, PG-13  
7 p.m. Girl with the Dragon Tattoo, R, *Last Showing*

**Friday, Jan. 27**  
4:30 p.m. Red Tails, PG 13  
5:30 p.m. We Bought a Zoo, PG  
7 p.m. Immortals, R

## Movie descriptions

No Children Under 10  
Admitted to R-Rated Movies

**RED TAILS**, PG 13 for some sequences of war violence. Action/Adventure and War, 125 min. Cast: Nate Parker, David Oyelowo, Terrence Howard, Brandon Jackson, Ne-Yo. In 1944 as the war in Europe continues to take its toll on Allied forces, the Pentagon brass has no recourse but to consider unorthodox options — including the untried and untested African-American pilots of the experimental Tuskegee training program. Just as the young Tuskegee men are on the brink of being shut down and shipped back home, they are given the ultimate chance to show their courage. Against all the odds, with something to prove and everything to lose, these intrepid young airmen take to the skies to fight for their country — and the fate of the free world.

**JOYFUL NOISE**, PG-13, for some language including a sexual reference. Musical/Performing Arts, Drama and Comedy, 118 min. Cast: Queen Latifah, Dolly Parton, Keke Palmer, Dexter Darden, Courtney B. Vance. Two women, one a mother of two teenagers, the other a widow of the recently deceased choir director, join forces to save their small-town gospel choir.

**J. EDGAR**, R for brief strong language. Cast: Leonardo DiCaprio, Armie Hammer, Naomi Watts, Judi Dench, Lea Coco. Drama and Biopic, 137 min. Based on the life of J. Edgar Hoover, the man often credited with making the FBI what it is today: an efficient, crime-fighting organization shrouded in secrecy. Hoover founded the organization in 1935 and remained director until his death in 1972.

**WE BOUGHT A ZOO**, PG for language and some thematic elements. Drama, 126 min. Cast: Matt Damon, Colin Ford, Thomas Church, Scarlett Johansson, Patrick Fugit. Based on a true story, Benjamin Mee is a recently-widowed father who moves his family to beautiful estate miles outside the city. The only catch is that the estate is also a dilapidated zoo replete with 200 animals, and the purchase of the home is conditional on the new owner keeping the zoo and its entire staff. The Mee family subsequently sets out to rebuild and restore the zoo to its former glory, making new friends along the way.

**WAR HORSE**, PG-13 for intense sequences of war violence. Action/Adventure and Drama, 146 min. Cast: Tom Hiddleston, Benedict Cumberbatch, David Thewlis, Emily Watson, Toby Kebbell. A friendship begins between a horse named Joey and a young man called Albert, who tames and trains him. When they are forcefully parted, the horse moves through the First World War, changing and inspiring the lives of all those he meets — British cavalry, German soldiers, and a French farmer and his granddaughter.

**IMMORTALS**, R for sequences of strong bloody violence and a scene of sexuality. Action/Adventure and Fantasy, 110 min. Cast: Jason Lee, David Cross, Justin Long, Matthew Gubler, Jesse McCartney. The brutal and bloodthirsty King Hyperion and his murderous Heraklion army are rampaging across Greece in search of the long lost Bow of Epirus. With the invincible bow, the king will be able to overthrow the Gods of Olympus and become the undisputed master

of his world. With ruthless efficiency, Hyperion and his legions destroy everything in their wake, and it seems nothing will stop the evil king's mission. As village after village is obliterated, a stonemason named Theseus vows to avenge the death of his mother in one of Hyperion's raids. When Theseus meets the Sybelline Oracle, Phaedra, her disturbing visions of the young man's future convince her that he is the key to stopping the destruction. With her help, Theseus assembles a small band of followers and embraces his destiny in a final desperate battle for the future of humanity.

**JACK AND JILL**, PG for crude and sexual humor, language, comic violence and brief smoking. Comedy, 91 min. Cast: Adam Sandler, Katie Holmes, Al Pacino. Jack Sadelstein is a successful advertising executive in Los Angeles with a beautiful wife and kids, who dreads one event each year: the Thanksgiving visit of his identical twin sister Jill. Jill's neediness and passive-aggressiveness is maddening to Jack, turning his normally tranquil life upside down.

**GIRL WITH THE DRAGON TATTOO**, R. Drama and Thriller, 158 min. Cast: Daniel Craig, Rooney Mara, Christopher Plummer, Stellan Skarsgard, Elodie Yung. A journalist-turned-detective and his female associate get tangled up in the underworld when he is hired to write the saga of a powerful family.

**MISSION IMPOSSIBLE: GHOST PROTOCOL**, PG-13 for sequences of intense action and violence. Action/Adventure, Sequel and Thriller, 133 min. Cast: Tom Cruise, Jeremy Renner, Simon Pegg, Paula Patton, Michael Nyqvist. Blamed for the terrorist bombing of the Kremlin, IMF operative Ethan Hunt is disavowed along with the rest of the agency when the President initiates "Ghost Protocol". Left without any resources or backup, Ethan must find a way to clear his agency's name and prevent another attack. To complicate matters further, Ethan is forced to embark on this mission with a team of fellow IMF fugitives whose personal motives he does not fully know.

**THE RUM DIARY**, R for language, brief drug use and sexuality, Art/Foreign, Politics/Religion, Drama and Romance, 122 min. Cast: Johnny Depp, Aaron Eckhart, Michael Rispoli, Amber Heard, Richard Jenkins. Tiring of the noise and madness of New York and the crushing conventions of late Eisenhower-era America, journalist Paul Kemp travels to the pristine island of Puerto Rico to write for a local newspaper, The San Juan Star, run by downtrodden editor Lotterman. Adopting the rum-soaked life of the island, Paul soon becomes obsessed with Chenault, the wildly attractive Connecticut-born fiancée of Sanderson. Sanderson, a businessman involved in shady property development deals, is one of a growing number of American entrepreneurs who are determined to convert Puerto Rico into a capitalist paradise in service of the wealthy. When Kemp is recruited by Sanderson to write favorably about his latest unsavory scheme, the journalist is presented with a choice: to use his words for the corrupt businessman's financial benefit, or use them to take him down.

If you have been sexually assaulted or need to speak with a S.A.P.R. victim advocate, call 335-640-6621 24/7 for information and support.



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Spring Break at Disneyland Paris... €594

## NSA Naples Weekly Crime Report for January 9 - January 15, 2012

- **Traffic Accidents** .....68 (1 on base, 5 off base)
- **Vehicle Break-In** .....6 (6 off base)
- **Burglary** .....1 (3 off base)

**Vehicle Break-In (off base).** On Jan. 9 at approximately 10 a.m., E7/USN reported a vehicle break-in that occurred Jan. 6 in Afragola, Italy. Victim reported that he had parked his vehicle and upon returning noticed his driver's side door open and multiple items stolen from the vehicle.

**Vehicle Break-In (off base).** On Jan. 9 at approximately 4:30 p.m., O-5/USN reported a vehicle break-in that occurred Jan. 8 in Pozzuoli, Italy. Victim reported that upon returning to his vehicle, he noticed several items stolen from inside.

**Burglary (off base).** On Jan. 10 at approximately 2:14 p.m., CIV reported a burglary that occurred on Jan. 5 in Sant'Anastasia, Italy. Victim reported that he woke up and noticed a glass double door ajar and multiple items stolen.

**Vehicle Break-In (off base).** On Jan. 11 at approximately 10:45 p.m., E-4/USN reported a vehicle break-in that occurred Jan. 10 in Gricignano, Italy. Victim reported that upon returning to her vehicle, she noticed her passenger side window broken and multiple items stolen from the vehicle.

**Vehicle Break-In (off base).** On Jan. 11 at approximately 1:16 p.m., E-8/USN reported a vehicle break-in that occurred Jan. 8 in Gricignano, Italy. Victim reported that upon returning to his vehicle, he noticed his passenger side window broken and multiple items stolen.

**Vehicle Break-In (off base).** On Jan. 11 at approximately 1:19 p.m., E-7/USN reported a vehicle break-in that occurred Jan. 10 in Gricignano, Italy. Victim reported that upon returning to her vehicle, she noticed her driver's side window broken and multiple items stolen from the vehicle.

**Vehicle Break-In (off base).** On Jan. 14 at approximately 2 p.m., E-6/USN reported a vehicle break-in that occurred earlier that day in Pozzuoli, Italy. Victim reported that upon returning to his vehicle, he noticed his passenger side window broken and multiple items stolen.

## Navy aircrew assists in at-sea rescue

From Commander  
U.S. Naval Forces Europe-Africa/  
U.S. 6th Fleet Public Affairs

An aircrew assigned to Patrol Squadron 47, operating from Naval Air Station Sigonella, Sicily, sprang into action to help rescue 68 people adrift on a powerless raft in the Mediterranean Sea Jan. 15, more than 80 miles from the southwest coast of Malta.

Responding to a request for assistance from Malta's Rescue Coordination Center to search for a reported vessel in distress, crews made initial preparations and boarded their P-3 Orion maritime patrol aircraft for the mission at approximately an hour before sunset Jan. 14.

Within an hour the Orion's crew of eight was already on station, searching an area southwest of the island nation that covered 30 by 60 nautical miles. Minutes after arriving, the crew spotted a drifting raft and contacted a civilian merchant vessel, the M/V Sunfish, to render assistance. M/V Sunfish found the raft was empty, while the U.S. Navy aircrew continued their search.

Now, flying in the dark skies over the Mediterranean, the crew found another raft drifting in the open water. The rubber raft had 68 men, women, children of Somali origin, packed aboard the vessel with no shelter from the wind, water, or chilling temperatures.

The VP-47 aircrew immediate-

ly deployed relief supplies of water, food, and flashlights to the stricken raft, and searched for other vessels in the area that could immediately render assistance. The Panamanian-flagged M/V Verona, more than 60 miles away, responded and made its way toward the raft. Meanwhile, the P-3 crew remained in the area above the raft, reassuring its passengers that help was on the way.

Finally, just before 1 a.m. Jan. 15, the M/V Verona rendezvoused with the raft, taking all 68 passengers onboard. Once all 68 passengers were safely onboard the merchant vessel and arrangements were made to transfer them to dry land, the P-3 aircrew returned to the Sigonella airfield after an 11-hour mission.

The U.S. Navy has a long history of rendering assistance at sea. The quick response and assistance provided by the Navy aircrew is in keeping with the traditions of our naval service.

U.S. 6th Fleet headquarters is located in Naples, Italy, and conducts a full range of maritime security operations and theater security cooperation missions in concert with coalition, joint, interagency and other parties in order to advance security and stability in Europe and Africa.

For more news from Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Europe and Africa/U.S. 6th Fleet, visit <http://www.navy.mil/local/naveur/>.



HM3 Tony Funches (left) and HM2 Adrian Williams (right) instruct children at Naples Elementary School during the 2011 Children's Dental Health Month. The U.S. Naval Hospital Naples Dental Clinic has planned a similar program for the 2012 Children's Dental Health Month in February.

## Dental Clinic plans activities for Children's Dental Health Month

Story and photo by Lt. Kirt Nilsson, Medical Service Corps  
U.S. Naval Hospital Naples

Parents are often preoccupied with the daily hustle and bustle and sometimes overlook their children's dental habits. February is a fantastic time to rectify this unhealthy habit and to remember the importance of oral hygiene. Join the U.S. Naval Hospital Naples Dental Clinic for Children's Dental Health Month and help children establish a lifetime of healthy dental habits.

Recent studies show correlations between harmful oral bacteria and the exacerbation of diabetes, heart disease, kidney dysfunction and other systemic health issues, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Uncontrolled tooth decay is the single most common chronic childhood disease, says the U.S. Surgeon General. It affects 25 percent of U.S. children between the age of two and five. With all the temptations to indulge in sugary snacks and drinks, it's more important than ever to instill proper oral hygiene habits to ensure a higher quality of life and health.

Dental officers from the Support Site will visit the

Naples Elementary School during the month of February to speak with children about dentistry, diet and health. They will visit each class and connect with more than 850 children get the kids interested in and educate the children about their own oral health.

The dentists will stress the importance of avoiding sugary snacks, candy and sweetened drinks. They'll also stress drinking water after meals, eating foods high in calcium, flossing every day, and wearing mouth guards when playing contact sports.

Last year was a fun-filled month for everyone, for both clinic personnel and students alike. Students dressed up like dentists and cleaned stuffed-dinosaur teeth. The children played dental trivia games and those who answered correctly won prizes. Fluoride toothpaste, toothbrushes and floss were given out to every student as well.

So when children come home from school next month and seem to have a newfound interest in brushing and flossing, it's due to the efforts of the dental clinic. Remember to encourage them and set an example by practicing good dental hygiene yourself — children are always watching.

## New deputy commander at Allied Maritime Command Naples

Story and photo from  
Allied Maritime Command Naples public affairs

Vice Admiral Andreas Krause of the Federal German Navy has assumed the position of Deputy Commander, Allied Maritime Command Naples.

As a submariner, Vice Admiral Krause served on several submarines before commanding U-22 in 1986. He was also commanding officer of the German Submarine Training Centre from 1996.

Promoted to flag officer in 2004, his posts have included command of the then newly-inaugurated German Flotilla 1. He was also the first commander-in-chief of the Maritime Task Force UNFIL Mission in 2006.

He joins Maritime Command Naples after serving as Commander Joint Operations Staff in the German Ministry of Defence, Berlin.

Vice Admiral Krause replaces Vice Admiral Carlos Tortosa, who retires to the Spanish Naval Reserve after a successful 41-year career.



Right: Vice Admiral Rinaldo Veri (left), commander of Allied Maritime Command Naples, shakes hands with Vice Admiral Andreas Krause (right), the new deputy commander of Allied Maritime Command Naples.

# Energy conservation

## Don't compete for, or with, the heat

From U.S. Department of Energy

If you're in competition with Mother Nature for interior temperature, she wins every time!

Can you see the light through the door jambs? Add weather stripping.

Does warm or cold air come through your windows? Think about glazing, film or caulking.

In winter weather, does the snow on your roof melt quickly? Or in warm weather, does your roof conduct hot air inside? Think about insulation.



## FFSC Tip of the Week: Papers to keep while moving

From the Fleet and Family Support Center

When preparing for a permanent change of station (PCS) move, you'll be sorting through all sorts of items, deciding what to ship or place in storage and what to take with you. Here are documents you should make sure you keep handy during the moving process.

- **Medical and immunization records.** These records are very important in case of an emergency. Immunization records are important for school age children when you go to enroll the child in school or daycare.
- **Birth certificates and Social Security cards.** These documents prove important in many scenarios. It is important that you keep these in a safe place. Once you arrive at your destination, make sure you return these documents to a safe deposit box or fire safe.
- **Leave and Earnings Statement (LES).** Your LES is a document commonly asked for when applying for a home loan or an apartment.
- **Marriage Certificates or Divorce Decrees.** These documents are necessary to fix problems in DEERS and your Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH). Like Birth Certificates and Social Security cards, they should only be carried for short periods of time and should be returned to a safe after arriving at your new home.
- **Orders.** Your orders have important information that may be needed during your transition. Keep several copies on hand so you are ready when you are asked to produce them.
- **Moving paperwork.** Keep information on the moving company, your transportation office representative, and your list of household goods. Hopefully you will not need this information; however, you will be prepared if you do.
- **Insurance information.**
- **Passports.**
- **Power of Attorney.** The original signed and notarized Power of Attorney may be necessary during your move. This is important for families rotating at different times. Obtain this prior to leaving and exercise caution in your choice of who you grant this power.
- **Tax Returns.** These may prove useful in many uncommon ways. Your tax returns provide financial information that may help you budget or apply for Student Financial Aid.

By hand carrying these documents, you will be prepared for many scenarios. Be sure to keep the documents safe while traveling by air and put them in a safety deposit box or fire safe upon arriving at your new station.

If you do not want to carry all of this paperwork, consider scanning certain documents to keep on a disk or jump drive. Just make sure you keep it secure place during your travels and your arrival. These kinds of preparations can help you have a stress free move.



Christian Krause, a member of the Naples Tiger Sharks swim team, gets warmed up prior to a swim meet at Capodichino Jan. 8. The Tiger Sharks won the meet, coming out ahead of swimmers from Aviano, Sigonella and Vicenza. (U.S. Navy photos by MCSA Erik Luebke)

# Naples Tiger Sharks reign victorious in home pool debut

By Jeff Krause  
Naples Tiger Sharks Publicity

The Naples Tiger Sharks rang in the new year Jan. 8 with a solid victory over Sigonella, Aviano, and Vicenza in their final home meet of the season. Naples' 72 swimmers earned 960 points, while the Sigonella Swordfish took second with 358 points. The Aviano Sea Dragons earned third place with 332 points, and rounding out the pack were the Vicenza Mako Sharks with 279 points. While Naples' swimmers dropped an amazing amount of time, the real star was the pool. After months of waiting, the Capodichino pool was open for business, and the Tiger Sharks knew just what to do. Earning recognition as the Swimmer of the Meet was Sofia Van Mierlo (age 10) with two first place finishes. Our "biggest losers" who improved the most on past performances were Anika Mustard (age 9) and Chris Morris (age 15), who dropped 14.87 and 16.34 seconds respectively from their previous times.

Emily Patterson (age 11), Ariana Lewis (age 12), Isabel Krause (age 16), Jane Saunders (age 17), Kim Srun (age 12), Berkay Payal (age 16), and Jono Higgins (age 18) swam away from the competition, earning three first-place finishes apiece. First place finishes are worth eight points, so these Tiger Sharks took big bites out of the competition, earning 24 points each.

Swimmers who earned two first-place finishes were Bret Baldwin (14), Brian Casler (age 10), Jake Coutino (age 17), Dorian Durig (age 10), Jerra Ewing (age 12), Kendall Ewing (age 9), Victoria Krause (age 15), John Moulton (age 16), Luke Patterson (age 8), Maura Patterson (age 13), Carly Sharp (age 10) and Lindsey Sharp (age 8). Other first-place finishers were Mattison Boveri (age 10), Blythe Brenner (age 9), Delaney Brenner (age 7), Devon Durig (age 8), Liam Gyles (age 13), AnnaLynn Morris (age 8), Jake Peterson (age 8), Scott Rustenhaven (age 12), Marshall Saunders (age 14), Tidawee Srun



Billy Yeager, a member of the Naples Tiger Sharks swim team, dives into the pool for a timed swim during the Jan. 8 meet at Capodichino.

(age 8), Hunter Williams (age 12) and Billy Yeager (age 11).

Each second-place finish earns the team 6 points. The following swimmers earned second-place finishes: Mackenzie Boveri (age 8), Alexis Cutler (age 14), Danielle Cutler (age 11), Shannon Cutler (age 11), Morgan Dodge (age 16), Donovan Durig (age 13), Jacob Gray (age 13), Kieran Gyles (age 8), Adam Hammer (age 17), Alexandra Hammer (age 15), Amelia Horrell (age 9), Tyler Horrell (age 10), Jack Murdock (age 17), Noah Sherer (age 9), Timothy Smith (age 11), Harley Williams (age 14), Tyler Williams (age 16), and Zane Zimmerman (age 14).

Third-place finishes gain the team four points each. Tiger Sharks who placed third were Seamus Gyles (age 10), Kelly Horrell (age 12), Ross Hsu (age 16), Gavin Moulton (age 14),

Braden Peterson (age 11), Caitlin Quirk (age 11), John Sherer (age 12), Nick Sherer (age 11), and Andrew Smith (age 13).

New personal bests were recorded for Zachary Boveri (age 13), Michael Casler (age 9), Patrick Darby (age 11), Kylie Dodge (age 13), Francesca Hammer (age 9), Christian Krause (age 11), Gretchen Moulton (age 12), Case Newberry (age 12), Paul Patterson (age 5), Lachlan Sims (age 12), and Nicole Yeager (age 7).

The Tiger Sharks' next challenge comes Jan. 28 when they travel to the Southern Divisional Meet in Lignano, Italy. Naples is going for its sixth consecutive championship. The competition is always fierce and another year's worth of bragging rights is on the line. Tiger Sharks, attack!

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For non-emergency assistance, call 081-568-5638.

# December Athletes of the Month

From the Naples High School Athletic Booster Club

**Alexis Cutler**, a freshman, has been selected as the Girls' Swimming Athlete of the Month. Alexis deserves recognition for her performance at the Heidelberg and Aviano swim meets during the month



of December. Alexis has been pushing herself in practice throughout the season, reaping the rewards as she watches her event times improve. She swam solid lead legs for both the 200-meter medley and freestyle relays in her age division, and saw time improvement in her individual results, moving her up in the European Forces Swim League standings. She stood out among her teammates for her outstanding sportsmanship, positive attitude, competitive spirit and teamwork. Outside the pool, she is on the honor roll and a member of the National Junior Honor Society, as well as being a Girl Scout Senior.



**Bret Baldwin**, a freshman, has been selected as the Boys' Swimming Athlete of the Month. Bret deserves recognition for his outstanding performance at back-to-back meets held at Aviano and Vicenza

the weekend of Dec. 10 and Dec. 11. Bret proved to the Naples Tiger Sharks swim team that he is a force to be reckoned with. He dropped time in all his individual events during the two days of competition for a total improvement of 47.76 seconds, and swam a qualifying time in the 200-meter individual medley, making him a strong contender for a medal at the Southern Division Championships and the European Swim Forces Championships. Outside of swimming, Bret also ran on the championship-winning Naples Cross Country Team and is active in JROTC.

**Laneisha Jeans**, a freshman, has been selected as the Girls' Basketball Athlete of the Month. Laneisha was instrumental in leading the Lady Wildcats to a 3-1 start this season. She has only



missed one practice and was selected as team co-captain. Laneisha scored 38 points and had 19 assists against Marymount International School of Rome in two games, as well as 35 points and 13 assists against the American Overseas School of Rome. Laneisha had a 99 percent attendance record for practice and has been a leader on and off the court for the Lady Wildcats. She is on the honor roll and holds a 3.8 GPA.



**Alisha Schiermeyer**, a senior, has been selected as the Winter Cheer Athlete of the Month. Alisha is new to Naples High School and new to the Winter Cheer team. She has cheered at every

basketball game so far. When cheering for Naples versus the American Overseas School of Rome, in just two hours Alisha taught the other cheerleaders a routine to perform for halftime. She is a leader with a super-positive attitude.

**Nigel Alexander**, a senior, has been named the Boys' Basketball Athlete of the Month. Nigel has had an impressive start this year with his first five games. He has proved in every game to be unstoppable, averaging 18 points per game.



This is the fourth season Nigel has started for the Naples Wildcats. Nigel loves the game of basketball and he is a familiar face at the base gym. He constantly practices to improve his game. Nigel is a natural leader on the team because of his experience and his performance on the floor. He savors every opportunity to play, dominate, and triumph on the basketball court.



**Luca Melendez**, a sophomore, has been selected as the Wrestling Athlete of the Month. Luca is currently undefeated at 113 pounds. His dedication and his strong work ethic has earned him this honor. Luca

attends practice every day, arrives early, and leaves late. He is willing to wrestle at any weight and make sacrifices for the team. Luca was named the Dec. 11 wrestler of the week. He has pinned all of his opponents in dominating fashion and stunned his opponent from Rome during the last tournament by pinning him in 25 seconds. Luca also plays football and runs track.

## All' aeroporto / At the airport

Practice your vocabulary. Find the Italian words.

I V K L H J V V D I R N G M C  
E M F K G F I V T Z T C M I K  
L L B P P A D B D W R E Q B R  
A M A A G J S I C U R E Z Z A  
O M R G R T H H O A T O J B T L  
V E I E R C U T L K M A G O L V  
F O R A R R O L O Z F H Y O V  
B N A E K A O E V Z J E L T A  
O T B D A C R T R E J N F T L I  
C A N Q E B A R J Z L Q J E I  
M Q K D K P X X E Z T X A I G  
O C R A B M I D A T R A C L I  
A T O L I P U C V L T D Q G A  
O F A O L X D T P S J A Q I M  
T J I P C M W P L V V X K L B U

AEREO / Airplane  
ATTERRARE / To land  
BIGLIETTO / Ticket  
CARTA D'IMBARCO / Boarding pass  
DECOLLARE / To take off  
IMBARCO / Boarding

PILOTA / Pilot  
SICUREZZA / Security  
VALIGIA / Suitcase  
VIAGGIO / Travel  
VOLO / Flight

ALLENARE / To train  
BASEBALL / Baseball  
CALCIO / Soccer  
EQUitazione /  
Horseback riding  
FOOTING / Jogging  
GIOCATORE / Player  
Lotta / Wrestling  
NUOTO / Swimming  
PALLA / Ball  
PALLACANESTRO /  
Basketball  
PALLAVOLO / Volleyball  
SCI / Skiing  
TENNIS / Tennis

Answer to last week's puzzle

Gli sport / Sports

## Obtaining your Sojourner Permit

Italian law requires all foreign personnel working or living within Italy, other than an active-duty member under military orders, to obtain a Sojourner Permit within eight days of arrival in Italy. This is different from a visa, which is merely an approval for entry into the country.

All applicants over 14 years of age must apply in person, as each person's signature is required at the time of application.

NATIONALS OF ANY STATE OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY COMING TO ITALY DO NOT REQUIRE ANY VISA OR SOJOURNER PERMIT.

As part of the Area Orientation process, the U.S. Region Legal Service Office (RLSO EURAFSWA) assists in the preparation and oversees the acquisition of the Sojourner Permit for all personnel attached to U.S. Navy commands in the Naples area. Army and Air Force personnel stationed at JFC must apply through the Carabinieri at the JFC Provost Marshall's Office, Building L.

Contact Connie Henderson, RLSO EURAFSWA liaison advisor, at 081-568-4639 for more information.

# Department of Defense launches website for military children

From the Department of Defense

The Department of Defense (DOD) launched a new website Jan. 18 for children experiencing the challenges of military deployments.

The highly interactive website, <http://www.MilitaryKidsConnect.org>, was created by psychologists at the DOD's National Center for Telehealth and Technology. It helps children of deployed parents cope with the stress, changing responsibilities, and concern for the safety of their parents, officials said.

The center, known as T2, developed the website with informative videos, educational tools, and engaging games and activities for three age groups: 6 to 8, 9 to 12 and 13 to 17. The site features monitored online

social network forums for the groups to safely share their experiences with deployments.

MilitaryKidsConnect.org is the first DOD website to connect children in the widely separated active, reserve, and National Guard military communities, officials said.

"Since 2001, an estimated 2 million children have said goodbye to a parent headed to deployments in Iraq, Afghanistan, other places around the globe, and on ships at sea," explained Kelly Blasko, a T2 psychologist. "Military children are deeply affected by the separation of their parent's deployment. We've seen that in their hearts, kids deploy too."

The website has features that will help children, parents,

and educators navigate the wide range of practical and emotional challenges military families must live with throughout the deployment cycle, Blasko said.

"While military children are very adaptable given the constant changes and stressful nature of military life, deployment puts a unique stress on family relationships at home, which can also affect the deployed service member," she said. "The DOD now has a website to help the youngest members of the military community."

The National Center for Telehealth and Technology serves as the primary DOD office for cutting-edge approaches in applying technology to psychological health.



Above: It was on this beach, code-named Omaha Beach, that one of the deadliest battles in U.S. military history occurred. Today the beach is a beautiful, calm stretch of coastline.



Right: The U.S. Navy Monument at Utah Beach in Normandy, France honors the military leaders, marines and fighting units that participated in "Operation Overlord," the military code name for the Allies' 1944 invasion of Normandy.

**NORMANDY**

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The U.S. Army Center of Military History in Washington, D.C., estimates there were 6,036 American casualties, including wounded and missing. D-Day marked only the start of the battle of Normandy, which claimed many more lives as troops fought in the region's hedgerows during the next three months.

Today the beaches of Normandy look like any other beach you might see in France, but the small towns that line this beautiful coast are filled with the rich history of what went on sixty-eight years ago. All along the coast you can find monuments, museums, bunkers and cemeteries commemorating the Battle of Normandy.

A perfect base from which to tour the beaches is the tiny town of Bayeux. With its manageable size, its proximity to the invasion beaches, and its guest accommodations, it provides

excellent access and convenience for a Normandy excursion. Bayeux was the first town liberated during the battle of Normandy.

It is a small medieval town famous for its Norman-Gothic cathedral and the 225-foot-long Bayeux Tapestry. Bayeux's Musee de la Bataille de Normandie (Battle of Normandy Museum) offers an extensive array of uniforms, weapons, war equipment and paraphernalia. Kids will love all of the old tanks, jeeps and weapons. It also features films that depict the invasion and explore its background. Many of the guided tours begin here and there are several car rental agencies if you want to do it yourself.

Bayeux is not the only place you can stay: other options include Caen, Saint-Lo, Carentan and Sainte-Mere-Eglise, all towns that have a very rich history and wonderful places to lodge.

Besides the famous beaches, some of the amazing places that you must see while in

Normandy include the artificial harbor at Arromanches, the German gun battery at Longues-sur-Mer, the American Military Cemetery at Colleville-sur-Mer and Pointe du Hoc. There is history all throughout this region and there are things for adults as well as children. Most kids love the cool toys found at the museum gift shops.

Remember to book tours well in advance, and if you choose to rent a car and see the sights at your own pace, make sure to check with the sites you want to see because some are closed during the off season.

If you're not that into World War II history or you have had enough history for one day, take a trip to Le Mont-Saint-Michel. This rocky tidal island in Normandy is located one half-mile off the coast at the mouth of the Couesnon River near Avranches. According to legend, the archangel Michael appeared to St. Aubert, bishop of Avranches, in 708 and instructed him to build a church on the rocky islet. In the centuries since, it has been the site of a cathedral and village that today is one of the most visited places in all of France. If you get there before sunset you can walk to the island on the sand before the tide comes in. It truly is an amazing site to see.

No matter where you go in Normandy you will find kind people, great food, a plethora of historical sites and memories that will last a lifetime.



The U.S. 2nd Ranger Battalion was given the task of destroying the German stronghold of Pointe du Hoc early on D-Day, June 6, 1944. Rangers landed by sea at the foot of the cliffs, and then scaled them using ropes, ladders, and grapples under enemy fire. The site now has a memorial and museum dedicated to the battle.

**In Memoriam:  
 Luigi Rullo**

It is with great sadness that we announce that Luigi Rullo, a firefighter for more than 14 years and the president of the Naples PUMA Association for Civil Protection Agency, suddenly passed away on Friday, Jan. 13 at the age of 42. Mr. Rullo is survived by his wife Teresa and his 10-year old daughter Margherita.

A funeral service was held at noon Wednesday, Jan. 18 at the Basilica San Mauro in Casoria. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family at this difficult time.

*(Photo courtesy of Naval Support Activity Naples Fire Department)*



# Jobs

## HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE (HRO)

NEW LINK: <http://cnic.navy.mil/Europe/About/AboutWorkingHere/index.htm>

The Human Resources Office is located at Capo Admin I, first floor. The customer service hours are: Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Applications are accepted at the Security Pass and ID Office at Capodichino, OR at the HRO, located in Admin 1, Capodichino, OR by mailing to: HRO, PSC 817 Box 29, FPO AE 09622, OR at Fleet and Family Service Center (FFSC) located on the TLA first floor, at Support Site. HRO must receive mailed applications by closing date of the vacancy announcement.

NEW CUSTOMER SERVICE OPERATION HOURS: Starting Monday, Oct. 31, 2011, the Commander Navy Region Europe, Africa, Southwest Asia (CNREURAFSWA) Human Resources Office (HRO) at Capodichino will begin new customer service hours for some services.

On Monday, Wednesday and Fridays, the following HRO services will be open only from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.:

- ID/CAC CARDS (DD1172-2)
- Requests for an Official Passport (DD1056)
- Logistical Support Letters
- Work Certificates

## U.S. POSITIONS

For a current list of U.S. vacancies and application process information visit our website at: <http://cnic.navy.mil/Europe/About/AboutWorkingHere/index.htm>

CLOSING FEB. 2

**Management & Program Analyst**, GS-0343-13, ANN#EUR12-249372-AV, Full Time Permanent

**Program Analyst**, GS-0343-13, ANN#EUR12-246801-SC, Full Time Permanent

**Program Assistant**, GS-0344-07, ANN#EUR12-198311-EG-R1, Full Time Permanent

**CBA Coordinator**, GS-0301-07 KPP 09 or GS-0301-09, ANN#EUR12-244935-SC, Full Time Permanent

## OPEN CONTINUOUS ANNOUNCEMENT

**Educational Aid (CDC/CYP)**, GS-1702-02 KPP 03 KPP 04, ANN#EUR12-223833-AG, (Multiple Positions), Full Time Permanent, Next Cut Off-Date: 03 FEB 2012

## COURTESY U.S. VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Percussion instructor(s)** needed for marching band percussion line. Experience in marching a plus. If interested contact Gary Marvel, director of Naples High School's bands, at 340-681-3432 or [gary.marvel@eu.dodea.edu](mailto:gary.marvel@eu.dodea.edu).

**Navy Federal Credit Union** is hiring full-time branch management and supervisor and full- and part-time member service representatives. Apply at the branch or [www.navyfederal.org](http://www.navyfederal.org), select "Careers" and "Employment Opportunities," or inquire at the branch.

## LOCAL NATIONALS (LN) POSITIONS

For a current list of LN vacancies and application process information visit our NEW website at: <http://cnic.navy.mil/Europe/About/AboutWorkingHere/index.htm>

CLOSING FEB. 2

**Realty Specialist**, UA-1170-04 KPP 03/02 or UA-1170-03 KPP 02 or UA-1170-02, ANN#44308-246865-AV, Full Time Permanent

**Financial Technician**, UA-0503-03, ANN#66096-249403-AG, Full Time Permanent  
**Lead Financial Technician**, Ua-0503-04 KPP 03 or Ua-0503-03, ANN#3049B-243841-EG, Full Time Permanent

If you have any questions, contact the front desk at 081-568-5409. You can also contact the HRO Naples helpdesk at: <http://cnic.navy.mil/Europe/About/AboutWorkingHere/index.htm>. You will be contacted within 24 hours, so please be sure to provide your contact information. Thank you and we appreciate your input, whether negative or positive so that we can find ways to improve the HRO services, or continue to provide excellent service. As a reminder, an HRO Representative is available for the bi-weekly "Meet & Greet" at the NSA, Support Site Base, Navy Exchange Food Court area from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. Please feel free to come by, pick up a copy of a vacancy announcement that you may be interested in applying for, or ask questions. If the HRO representative is unable to provide you a response, he/she will bring the question back to the HRO office and you will be provided an answer or a call back the same day. The next "Meet & Greet" is Jan. 30, 2012.

## NON-APPROPRIATED FUND (NAF) POSITIONS

**Fleet & Family Readiness NAF Local Naples job announcements within CNREURAFSWA may be viewed at:** <https://www.cnic.navy.mil/Naples/FleetAndFamilyReadiness/AboutFleetAndFamilyReadiness/AboutWorkingHere/index.htm>

The necessary application forms are also available on line. For any questions you have you may reach us at 081-568-5612/4164.

## NSA NAPLES POSITIONS, MWR OPEN CONTINUOUS POSITIONS

**Child Program Assistant**, CY-1702-I/II, ANN#11-024, (Multiple Positions) flexible, Child Development Centers, School Age Care, Capodichino/Support Site. performs routine, day-to-day care of infants and children ranging from 6 weeks to 5 yrs old.

**Youth Program Assistant**, CY-1702-I/II, ANN#10-069, (Multiple Positions) flexible/ regular, Youth Programs, Support Site/Carney Park. Assembles or gathers materials and equipment necessary to execute School Age Care for children ranging from 6 years old to 9 years old, School-Age Care Pre-Teen for children ranging from 10 years old to 12 years old, and Teen Center Program for children ranging from 13 years old to 18 years old. Receives and releases children to/from authorized parents or guardian.

**Recreation Assistant**, NF-0189-02, ANN#12-029, (two positions) flexible, Fleet and Family Readiness Center,

Gaeta. Conveys information pertaining to the overall Fleet and Family Readiness Program to all authorized patrons. Serves as primary front line customer service representative of the overall program and as such, must continually present information in a highly professional and customer friendly style. Open until filled.

**Recreation Aid**, NF-0189-01, ANN#10-022, flexible, NOR Center, Carney Park. Provides and maintain recreation and athletic equipment issue.

**Recreation Aid**, NF-0189-01 ANN#10-064, flexible part time, Bowling Center, Support Site. Provides oversight of activities and necessary services to authorized patrons.

**Recreation Aid**, NF-0189-01, ANN#12-002, flexible, Auto/Skills Center, Support Site. Provides information concerning facility, operation and regulations. Ensures adherence to regulations and safety procedures.

**Recreation Aid**, NF-0189-01, ANN#10-119, flexible, Golf Course, Carney Park. Collects green fees (monthly and daily), locker fees and fees for electric cart rentals. Employee will act as starter when needed on weekdays and assist when needed as cashier.

**Recreation Aid**, NF-0189-01, ANN#11-082, flexible, Reel Time Theater II, Support Site. This position transacts the sale of refreshments at the theater snack bar.

**Recreation Aid**, NF-0189-01, ANN#11-086, flexible, Fitness Branch, Capodichino. Performs maintenance on various types of recreation and athletic equipment to ensure that all equipment is in good condition and safe for patron use.

**Motion Picture Projectionist**, NA-3910-07, ANN#10-084, flexible part time, Reel Time Theater II, Support Site. Operates permanently installed 35-mm motion picture projectors, insuring a standard quality of sound and picture projection.

**Food Service Worker**, NA-7408-04, ANN#11-136, Flexible, Bowling Center, Support Site. Performs a variety of tasks such as grilling or frying pancakes, hamburgers, hot dogs, bacon, eggs, sausage, by watching while the items are cooking, turning as required; regulating temperature and removing when done.

**CYP Food Service Worker**, NA-7408-04, ANN#12-028, Regular, Child Development Centers, Capodichino. Performs various tasks or sequence of tasks in food service and preparation. Includes tasks such as peeling potatoes, cutting, sorting and washing vegetables and fruit, assembling sandwiches and measuring and weighing ingredients.

## CNREURAFSWA NRBO NAF U.S. POSITION

**Supervisory Contract Specialist**, NF-1102-04, ANN#12-032, Regular full-time, NRBO, Capodichino, Naples. Responsible for the full range of con-

tracting and procurement functions. The functions include development, preparation and issuance of solicitations, receipt of proposals and conducting negotiations, determining the most advantageous proposals, and recommending/ awarding of contracts within prescribed monetary limitations. 1st cut off date: 01/24/2012 and subsequent cut-off every 14 days. Open until filled.

## NEX EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

**Gricignano, Building 2091-B**  
Call 081-813-5252/5253/5254  
Monday through Friday  
8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

NEX Job opportunities are now posted on the Web at <http://www.navy-nex.com>

Submit completed applications to NEX Human Resources Office located above the Main Exchange. If you have questions please call the above numbers.

## U.S. NAF POSITIONS AVAILABLE

CURRENT U.S. FLEXIBLE POSITIONS MAY BE NON-COMPETITIVELY CHANGED TO REGULAR POSITIONS

**GRICIGNANO MAIN STORE**  
No Vacancies

**DIST. CTR, GRICIGNANO**  
Ann#028-11 Warehouse Work-

er/72/NA-05/Flex. Closes: 1/27/11. Pay Rate: \$12.75. Responsible for one or more functions (receiving, storing, issuing and shipping, etc.) within a warehouse area. May be assisted by several lower grade associates.

**GRICIGNANO MINI MART Ann#059-11** Sales Clerk/MM/NF-01/Flex. Closes: 1/20/11. Pay Rate: \$8.00-\$10.00. Responsible for selling general merchandise to customers exercising professional selling techniques.

**CAPODICHINO NEX MART Ann#050-11** Lead Cashier Checker/CC/NF-01/RFT. Closes: 1/20/11. Pay Rate: \$8.00-\$11.00. Responsible for leading a minimum of three (3) associates engaged in the operation of cash registers to record sales in retail check out areas.

**Ann#061-11** Customer Service Clerk/NF-01/RFT. Closes: 1/20/11. Pay Rate: \$8.00-\$10.00. Performs various customer service duties which involve inventory management control, taking special orders, assisting customers with special requests, providing layaway services and resolving customer complaints.

**JFC-NATO MINI MART**  
No Vacancies

## LOCAL NATIONAL POSITIONS

No Vacancies