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Second Annual Motor Rally Rocks Sigonella

Article and Photos by
Lt. j.g. Matt Knight
Sigonella Public Affairs Officer

The second annual Sigonella Motor Rally planned by Sigonella motorcycle enthusiasts was held on NAS 1 Land Annex, May 2, 5 p.m. - 1 a.m.

The Motor Rally was designed to bring Italian and American motorcycle enthusiasts together by inviting motorcycle clubs from across the island to bring their motorcycles and enjoy food, drinks and top quality entertainment with NAS Sigonella.

The Motor Rally included deejayed music, food and drinks provided by several NAS Sigonella associations, local motorcycle club booths full of motorcycle gear, a bouncy house for the kids, assorted contests, over 50 bikers showing off their motorcycles and a performance by platinum-selling recording artist Edwin McCain.

from Sigonella MWR Marketing mentioned that a lot of planning and coordination went into this year's motorcycle rally in order to make it a success. She said, "Armed Forces Entertainment, Navy Entertainment, and Army Entertainment combined together to bring Edwin McCain out here (Sigonella)." In reference to the timing of the event, she mentioned that "in Belpasso (Sicily) they do their



annual ride once a year, and that's this weekend. So hopefully this will roll into tomorrow's festivities up in Belpasso as well. It's kind of a com-

munity effort." She concluded saying that on top of entertaining the community, part of the proceeds from the

The second annual Motor Rally featured food, entertainment and, of course, lots of bikes.

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Wi-Fi Arrives at Sigonella Terminal

Article and photo by
MC2 Joshua Wink
Sigonella Staff

In the ever expanding wireless network that stretches across Sigonella, the Airport Terminal is the newest establishment to be able to provide a free Wi-Fi connection to people stationed at, or transiting through the base.

The forethought for this service was initialized by Casey Johnson, the Air Terminal Manager

who saw a need for the service for his customers.

The project was then funded by Morale Welfare and Recreation (MWR) as it was in direct alignment with their Fleet and Family Readiness Programs and their mission to support the quality of life for our fleet, fighter and family.

Maria Scuto, the MWR Information Technology Specialist, was responsible for coordinating the aspects of installation including,

equipment, connection and frequency authorization after initially establishing a contract with the Base Communication Office.

"Our goal in working with the terminal is to provide easy, convenient internet connectivity allowing them to stay in contact with friends and family on their journey," said William Bray, MWR Director. "Many times this will be their last opportunity to communicate with

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MCSA Jon Idle accesses the free Wi-Fi connection from the Sigonella Terminal.

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May Celebrates Asian Pacific Heritage

Article by Jennifer Rumbach

A month of Asian Pacific American heritage began as a week in June 1977. Representatives Frank Horton of New York and Norman Y. Mineta of California introduced a House resolution that called upon the president to proclaim the first ten days of May as Asian/Pacific Heritage Week.

The following month, senators Daniel Inouye and Spark Matsunaga introduced a similar bill in the Senate. President Jimmy Carter passed both on October 5, 1978, designating the annual celebration. In May 1990, the holiday was expanded further when President George H. W. Bush designated May to be Asian Pacific American Heritage Month.

May was chosen to commemorate the immigration of the first Japanese to the United States on May 7, 1843, and to mark the anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869. The majority of the workers who laid the tracks were Chinese immigrants.

According to the CIA Worldfact Book and 2003 U.S. Census Bureau websites, 4.2 percent of the U.S. population was of Asian decent, while .2 percent were Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander. Calculations on projected rate of growth show that the Asian Pacific American population is expected to be the fastest growing population in the U.S.

Whether from the mainland of Asia, or islands that dot the vast Pacific Ocean, Asian Pacific Americans have a torrid history of involvement with the U.S. government, but have overcome their struggles and in many cases have maintained their deep, ancient, heritage.

Their involvement within the military has also been exemplary with Chinese American William Ah Hang enlisting in the U.S. Navy in 1863 during the Civil War becoming one of the first Asian Americans to do

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TRAFFIC NUMBERS

	Jan.- May, '08	Jan.- May, '07	Diff.
Accidents	114	113	+17
Injuries	19	11	+8
DUIs	5	2	+3
Traffic Deaths	2	0	+2

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DIRECT LINE NASSIG EXECUTIVE OFFICER CAPT. DALE CARSON

The May 1 Feedback Live was so successful that some of the questions couldn't be covered in the allotted time; so Capt. Quinn directed that they appear in this weeks Direct Line. Please keep sending the questions via email or phone and the CO and I will do our best to answer them on air or in the Signature.

Additionally, has someone in Housing, the Exchange or Commissary provided you Great Service? Are you excited about a base sponsored program or service? Feedback Live is the perfect opportunity to share with the community about your positive experience. Feedback Live is held on the first Thursday of each month, from 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. To call in live on the show, please dial 624-4265 or 095-56-4265.

1. Why does the Main Navy Exchange close so early on NAS 1? We have traveled to other areas in Germany, Belgium, and the UK and the AAFES run facilities generally stay open till 2100. Answer: This is an area we are reviewing this year. We do have our NAS II Mini-Mart/7 day store, which is

open Monday - Saturday 0630-2100 and Sunday 0900-2000. You will find varying store hours throughout overseas locations and most of them are tailored towards base population and mission. Payroll costs must also be considered which are typically much higher in Europe then elsewhere. Other factors which drive store hours include base housing locations. There are some AAFES Main Stores with less operating hours located in Heidelberg, Germany and Brussels, Belgium (Retail Store). (Dave Thompson, NEX Sigonella GM)

2. Would it be possible for the NASSIG Command to liaise with the Italian Authorities to have the SS-417 resurfaced, or at least have the pot-holes fixed?

Answer: While the safety of our Sailors, dependents, and civilians is very important, the US Navy does not own the roads surrounding the bases or housing, and therefore cannot directly repair the roads. However, the Navy does have a good working relationship with ANAS, the Italian equivalent

to the Department of Roads, and can often work with them to correct problems around the base. Public Works has already established communications with ANAS regarding pot hole repairs for 417, SP 106 and cutting down the overgrown weeds that impede vision along SP 105, 106 and 192. (LCDR Cervasio, PW)

3. A friend of mine just moved out of base housing and upon checkout was basically given a "White glove" check out inspection and told they were responsible for a much more thorough cleaning than had been done. I thought the check out policy was to have the unit clean and any in-depth cleaning would be done by housing. Does the housing unit have to be spotless?

Answer: As a resident of government housing, you are responsible for seeing that your quarters, appliances, and surrounding yard are left in a clean and orderly condition. The necessary cleaning and preparation of quarters for final inspection by the Housing Office is something that all residents of government housing must go through at

each change of station.

The goal is to have each resident vacate their particular housing unit with a standard of cleanliness in which it was issued. Utilizing the "Minimum Cleaning Requirements for Residents Checking out of Government Housing" is available at the Housing Offices and or via the inspectors. By no means do we expect the standard of "White glove clean" although we cannot accept units where no standard effort of cleaning was attempted.

Residents are more than welcome to contact one of the Housing Manager's for assistance at 624-4311 in the event they experience issues that seem to be unfair. (Marcia Flowers, Housing Director)



Health WATCH

Navy Nurse Corps Celebrates 100th Birthday

Article and photo by Lt. Cmdr Daniel Swisshelm, NC
U.S. Naval Hospital Sigonella

The Navy Nurse Corps is celebrating its 100th anniversary on 13 May 2008. This milestone is a crowing achievement for all that have served in the ranks of the Nurse Corps. From the founding days of the Nurse Corps in 1908 and the "sacred twenty" original nurses, the proud tradition of the Nurse Corps has steadily grown in scope of mission and magnitude, and now more than ever in its history, the Navy Nurse Corps is providing a wide range of nursing care in operational and humanitarian settings.

Please take the opportunity to recognize your Navy Nurse Corps Officers on this special occasion.

In a statement to the Nurse Corps, Rear Admiral Christine Bruzek-Kohler, Director of the Navy Nurse Corps, Chief of Staff, Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, Washington, DC said

"What links us with our Navy Nurse Corps predecessors who served 100 years ago, and every day in between, is what makes us unique - and it is what called us to naval service. Each of us joined the Navy Nurse Corps looking to make a difference, to do our part, and to serve this great country we love. We left our comfort zones, our families and friends. For each of us, the stories may be different, but I'm sure all would say that being part of the Navy Nurse Corps has exceeded all expectations, and has provided incredible personal and professional rewards. The Navy Nurse Corps has given us a rich life without regret and a life that will never be the same."

According to Bureau of Medicine and Surgery Washington DC Public Affairs, "May 13, 1908, President Theodore Roosevelt signed

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Monday
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Tuesday
11:30 a.m. Catholic Mass
Wednesday
11:30 a.m. Catholic Mass
Friday
11:30 a.m. Catholic Mass
Sunday
4 p.m. Catholic Mass

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings
Monday, Wednesday and Fridays
11:30 a.m.

NAS I Chapel
Sunday
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10:45 a.m. Protestant Worship
5 p.m. Fellowship Meal
6 p.m. Bible Study

Mineo Community Center
Sunday
9 a.m. Protestant Worship
12 p.m. Catholic Mass

Maranai Community Center
11 a.m. Protestant Traditional Service

Call 095-86-3801 for the Chaplains Office
Call 095-86-1205 for weekly Jewish services



Happy Mother's Day

Article courtesy of Chaplain Paul N. Rumery

In a recent periodical I read a tribute to a mother from Rev. Dr. Charles F. Stanley and I quote, "When I think of my own mother, I'm reminded of how she sacrificed on my behalf every day, which demonstrated her profound love for me. She was truly an example of God's unconditional love for His children." That quote is one I can echo as well. When I think back over my life thus far I can see the care, nurturing, patience, and instruction from a Godly mother and it has paid enormous dividends. The encouragement, understanding, support, and unconditional love that my mother gave to me and my four siblings had a tremendous impact on me and my development in many ways and caused me to be a better person in my community and society at large.

It is a good thing to set aside a day to

appreciate our moms. If we did not designate a specific day, in the busyness of life we could forget and do what is most common to human nature and take that special person for granted. If you are reading this article and you are not a mother then at least you have had a mother who gave birth to you and I hope she was a good influence and a shining example for you. Trust me, as a chaplain, I am all too aware of horror stories of bad parents. If you had difficulties as a child with bad parents then the Lord desires to heal and restore you and that can happen if you allow His love to do its miraculous work. To those who are mothers I say-Happy Mother's Day-and I hope you take your responsibilities seriously, but that you also have fun along the journey. Cherish those moments you have with

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EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE

Be prepared to be on your own for at least three days. Seven is better! The BASIC FIVE:
Water, Food, Heat, Cash, Radio; Family Communications Plan;
Phone Numbers & Rally Points; Public Protection Strategies;
Evacuation and Shelter-in-Place; Web info;
Ready.gov; Emergency info: AFN 106.0 FM; Questions?
Call the EM Office at 624-2630, 8265 or 2621.

NAVY News

Navy College Centers to Resume ACT, GED and SAT Exams

Article by Sharon Anderson
Chief of Naval Personnel Public Affairs

Sailors can again take ACT, General Educational Development (GED) and SAT exams beginning May 1 at their local Navy College Center after Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Support (DANTES) officials gave the authorization to restart the testing.

Other Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Support (DANTES) paper-based testing for the Navy, both ashore and afloat, has not resumed. Sailors may take these tests electronically at National Testing Centers (NTC) located worldwide on numerous military installations.

ACT, GED and SAT tests are available only on paper.

"It was very important to start administering these tests again so our Sailors can continue their education plans. We will continue working closely with DANTES to reestablish these testing privileges on shore and on ships," said Ann Hunter, voluntary education service chief.

Sailors applying for the Seaman-to-Admiral (STA-21) program should contact their local Navy College Office immediately to schedule the appropriate exam, she added.

All paper-based DANTES test-

ing was halted in late February after tests were lost at some Navy installations and ships.

"The Navy is aggressively pursuing electronic testing through on-base NTCs," said Hunter. "The advantages of on-base NTCs are numerous, but the most significant to our Sailors is that they are able to deliver the results of the test immediately."

For more information call toll free the Navy College call center at 1-877-253-7122 or go to <https://www.navycollege.navy.mil/>.

PHOTO FROM THE FLEET

Check in weekly to find out what our fellow shipmates are doing around the fleet.



U.S. Navy Photo by MC3 Matthew R. White

Damage Controlman Fireman Christopher Tornay shouts commands at Aviation Boatswain's Mate (Handling) 2nd Class Bryan Egolf during fire hose handling training on the foc'sle of the guided-missile destroyer USS Lassen (DDG 82).

NEWS BRIEFS

Airport Closure

Catania Fontanarossa Airport will be closed for construction from 6:00 p.m., Monday, May 12th until 4:00 p.m., Thursday, May 15. The closure will cause flights to be canceled or diverted to nearby airports. Make sure you check with transportation providers and reconfirm travel arrangements. For more information, contact your airline directly.

Red Cross

American Red Cross has a Temporary/Full-time position for a Field Office Assistant providing administrative support and assists in the delivery of Red Cross services to members of the military and their families assigned to Sigonella, Italy work location. Provide services to customers and clients at a high level of customer service consistent with Services to the Armed Forces and American Red Cross standards. Ideal candidate will have HS diploma/GED, hands-on experience in data entry, strong organizational and administrative skills, ability to work independently, excellent oral and written communication skills, and experience working with volunteers. Applicant must have all of the following attributes to be considered: (1) be a U.S. citizen and (2) dependent of an active-duty service member (3) Employment location will be NAS Sigonella. Employment dates are from 23 June 08 to terminate on 19 December 2008. To apply please visit www.Redcross.org call the American Red Cross Office at 095-86-4900 for further information.

Overseas Car Conversion Can Prove Costly

Article by Robert Szostek

Americans in Europe must beware of foreign car dealers who claim they can convert cars to U.S. standards. The Department of Transportation (DOT) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) only accept work done and warranted by licensed companies in the United States. They do not accept the work of individuals or overseas companies.

Fines, extra bonds and storage fees will ensue if you try to import a vehicle "converted" over-

seas and you will probably lose the money you paid for the work. U.S. Customs perform a computer check of the vehicle identification number to detect false conversions. It is nearly always cheaper for personnel to sell a foreign-specification car abroad and buy a replacement stateside. "Shipping, paperwork, and conversions cost at least \$6,500, and up to \$25,000 for exotic cars," said Michael L. Burkert, director of the U.S. European Command's Customs Executive Agency.

"It is tempting to save some expense by doing work here in Europe," he added. "But car shippers must realize that overseas conversions are not licensed by U.S. agencies." DOT work must also be warranted for eight years and for a \$2,000 parts defect. Emissions conversions must be warranted for 50,000 miles or five years, whichever comes first. Burkert explained that used vehicles rebuilt by the original manufacturer to U.S. specifications can be imported with the proper documents.

Under EPA regulations, nonconforming vehicles less than 21 years old may only enter the United States through an independent commercial importer.

These vehicles must be tested and adapted to the emission standards in effect at the time of production. Vehicles that are 21 years old or older do not require tests or conversions. DOT requires shippers of nonconforming vehicles to sign a contract with a registered importer who must certify in advance that the model is convertible to U.S. safety standards.

The owner must also post a bond for one and a half times the vehicle's dutiable value. "Vehicles over 25 years old do not need conversion to U.S. safety, bumper and theft prevention standards," Burkert added.

Get the "Importing a Car" pamphlet from a military customs office for more information on shipping foreign vehicles. Or consult the military customs Web site at www.hqusaareur.army.mil/opm/cars.htm. NASSIG Military Customs is located in Personal Property building telephone number 624-6187.

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Did you know?

Living beyond your means is a prescription for disaster? Does more than 25 percent of your take-home pay go to paying bills? Are you making only minimum payments on bills due? Are you taking out new loans to pay off old ones? Are you missing payments? Are you stalling one creditor to pay another? Are you having frequent family arguments over money? The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society can help you improve your financial picture. NMCRS Volunteers and employees work hard to help Sailors, Marines and their families pull themselves out of deficit budgets and into savings plans. Call today to schedule an appointment.

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Contact your Sigonella NMCRS Office today! Call 624-4212 for more information. Office Hours: Monday - Friday 0900 - 1600.

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Parent Involvement at School: Communicating with Your Child's Teacher

Edited from Military One Source

It's important to communicate regularly with your child's teachers from elementary school through high school. Having a good, working relationship with the people who teach your child helps ensure that education is a team effort between home and school.

No matter what grade your child is in, there are always opportunities to talk with the teachers at school. These include parent-teacher conferences, volunteering, parent meetings, and school events. At other times, you may want to connect with your child's teacher through e-mail, telephone, a written note, or a personal visit. However you do it, good communication with your child's teacher leads to a positive home-school relationship, which will ultimately help your child have a more positive school experience.

Get to know your child's teacher

It's never too early in the school year to start building a good relationship with your child's teacher.

- If your child is in elementary school, find time during the first week of school to introduce yourself to the teacher

- Attend Back-to-School Night events whenever possible.
- Help the teacher get to know your child.
- Look for opportunities to say hello to your child's teacher.
- Tell the teacher about the good things your child has said about him or her.

Parent-teacher conferences

Almost every school holds some form of parent-teacher conferences -- conversations you have with a teacher about your child's schoolwork. They may involve just one teacher or several teachers if your child is older. Parent-teacher conferences are a wonderful opportunity to let teachers know you want to work with them to help your child succeed in school. They also give you a way to find out more about how your child is doing than you can learn from a report card. Here are some guidelines to prepare for a parent-teacher conference:

- Try to attend conferences whenever possible, with your partner or spouse.
- Before the conference,

review the work your child has brought home from school.

- Ask your child if there's anything she would like you to bring up.
- Write down all your ideas and concerns and bring these with you to the conference.
- Leave your children at home, with a babysitter if necessary.
- Vary your questions with the age of your child.
- Don't hesitate to ask lots of questions.
- Expect the teacher to ask questions and keep an open mind.
- Remember to praise and thank the teacher for taking the time to meet with you.

Some questions you may want to ask teachers are: What are your goals and expectations for your students this year? What can I do to work with you to help my child? How is my child measuring up to your expectations and to his ability? What are my child's strengths and weaknesses? What areas need more work and improvement? Does my child participate in class? Is he actively involved in learning?

When you come home from a conference with the teacher, your child will likely ask, "What did my teacher say?" Don't hesitate to share comments that seem appropriate. Focus on the positive things the teacher said. Then talk about the teacher's suggestions and how you and your child can work on them together.

Good parent-teacher communication has lasting benefits. By showing you want to work with teachers, they will be much more likely to want to work with you, too, and your child will be the one who benefits the most from your efforts. Remember, both you and the teacher want what's best for your child.

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A reminder to the community that feeding feral or wild animals on the installation is prohibited.

Signonella's Stray Animal Facility (SAWS) has many cats and dogs just looking for a warm home and someone to love. Each week the Signature will feature animals in need of adoption.



(Above and Below) Ashley and Diva are a mother/daughter combo. They are both wonderful dogs who need a home to call their own. If you want to adopt this pair, please visit SAF.

For more information contact the Stray Animal Facility at 624-3936 or Rose Cummings at 334-383-8786.



Italian NEWS

Sicilian Culture, Events and Lifestyle



Alberto Lunetta
Signature Staff



Noto Hosts Flower Festival

The "Infiorata" flower festival returns to Noto, one of the pearls of the Sicilian Baroque architecture, from May 16 through 18. The festival turns the town into a beautiful garden as the streets of the historic center are decorated and embellished by elaborate flower displays.

This festival's origin dates back to the 1980s, when Noto administrators decided to hold a celebration which would be similar to the one organized annually during the religious festival honoring the Virgin Mary in Genzano. Ever since, Sicilian craftsmen became skilled in the art of floral design and the festival earned a worldwide reputation.

Every year, the town holds a competition for the best sketches. An award is given to the best three drawers. The theme for this year's festival is "The artistic production from the 1950s until the present, from Andy Warhol to Francis Bacon."

Here are some of the not-to-miss festival's highlights. On May 16 at 5 p.m., Infioratori, (flower exhibitors) begin to fill the drawings with petal colorful plants. Tons of flower petals (about 400,000 including carnations, gerberas, daisies, roses wild flowers and more) are used to create big carpets that typically reproduce holy images and modern topics.

via Corrado Nicolaci, one among Noto's main streets, will be covered by a mantel of flowers although there will be smaller decorations in some adjoining roads, courtyards and squares. The magnificent balconies of Palazzo Villadorata, the mesmerizing Montevergini Church and the elegance of the aristocratic palaces of Modica and Giunta, form a unique Baroque backdrop for the event. Those skilled artists will work all night through dawn to create magnificent horticultural shows.

The second day of the festival (May 17) features a spectacular historic parade and flag wavers shows in Baroque costumes leaving from piazza Mazzini at 5 p.m. (the parade is repeated the following day, May 18, at 3 p.m.), a vintage car gathering (piazza XVI Maggio - 9 p.m.), prestigious Italian Army marching band, "Fanfara" of the Bersaglieri corps' concert along Corso Vittorio Emanuele at 9 p.m. On the last festival's day (May 18), the award ceremony for the most distinctive exhibits will take place at the Town Theater at 7 p.m. An organ concert will end the celebrations at 8 p.m. at the cathedral.

Complementing the festival, art exhibits and food booth selling local specialties are also set up in the town



The "Infiorata" flower festival is one of the most important annual events in Noto, a breathtaking Baroque town in the Siracusa province. Running from May 16 through 18, the festival features amazing flower exhibits, historic parades, flag wavers and dance shows, sports activities, vintage car gatherings, concerts, as well as arts and crafts and food booths.

historic heart.

Noto is nicknamed "Garden of stone and gold" for the yellowish-rosy color of its buildings and monuments. This town is unique, as it was chosen by UNESCO to be part of its World Heritage List.

UNESCO, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, has indeed inscribed Noto and other seven towns in south-eastern Sicily (Caltagirone, Militello Val di Catania, Catania, Modica, Palazzolo, Ragusa and Scicli), on the World Heritage List. Most of those cities were rebuilt after the terrible earthquake that struck Sicily in 1693. UNESCO officials maintain that those cities represent a considerable collective undertaking featuring a unique architectural and artistic style.

So while you visit the Infiorata, remember that you are walking around one of the most beautiful Baroque places in the world!

Noto is located about 20 miles south of Siracusa. The city was built next to the river Asinaro in 1703 on the ruins of the ancient Roman City of Netum on the Alveria Mount, which was destroyed in the earth-

quake of 1693. As it happened pretty much everywhere around Sicily, Greeks, Romans, Byzantines, Arabs, Normans, Swabians, Aragonese, and Spaniards conquered Noto throughout the centuries. But unfortunately, few traces of the pre-Baroque civilizations got lost because of the earthquake. So, today's Noto just displays its 18th century baroque layout.

Noto boasts a plethora of churches and palaces that are among the most valuable examples of the skills of talented artists of the time such as Gagliardi, Sinatra, Labisi. Graceful curves of floral interfacings, of foreshortened views of palaces, gardens, and capitals and of putts decorate the facades of churches and buildings like the Church of San Francesco, San Domenico, Immacolata. San Carlo, Santa Chiara, the Franciscan Convent and the Salvatore Benedictine Monastery. Among the aristocratic palaces, Palazzo Ducezio is definitely worth a visit. Architect Vincenzo Sinagra designed it in 1748. Beautiful neo-classical style frescoes by Antonio Mazza decorate the interiors.

Don't miss to check the recently restored breathtaking cathedral which was restored last year after 10 years and the mosaics from the Roman Villa del Tello, which is located about four kilometers from Noto.

For more information and detailed schedules, call Noto Tourist office at 0931-835073.

Antique Fair opens in Mascalucia

Don't miss the Mascalucia Antique Market! It will be held this Saturday and Sunday, May 10 and 11,



Make sure you don't miss out on visiting the 3rd edition of the Mirabella Imbaccari Asparagus Festival which will be held on May 10 and 11 in the town historic center. This mouthwatering two-day event, kicking off tomorrow evening at 6 p.m., features asparagus-base specialties, music shows, arts and crafts booths ("Tombolo" traditional laces and embroidery), FIAT 500 and vintage cars parades (May 11- 9 a.m. through late morning), fireworks and live music. For more information and detailed schedules call the local tourist office at 334-7273843 or 348-4216889

Exhumed Body of Popular Catholic Saint on Display in San Giovanni Rotondo



The exhumed body of Padre Pio (Father Pio), one of the most famous modern Catholic saints is currently on display in San Giovanni Rotondo, near Foggia in southern Italy.

A Capuchin monk, Saint Pio was made a saint by Pope John Paul II in 2002. He is claimed to have worked several miracles. During his life, he was said to have the stigmata, the wounds of Jesus on the cross, on both his hands and feet. According to tradition, one night he was beaten up by the devil in his monastery cell. Some devotees also maintain that Padre Pio was able to foretell events, be in two places at once and know people's sins before they would confess them to him. As it often happens with potential saints, his life was very controversial. Some were convinced he was a fraudster, and for many years even the Vatican was skeptical about him and banned him from celebrating Mass in public.

Last year, an Italian historian wrote that Padre Pio would have faked his stigmata by using carbolic acid to produce the wounds. Crowds of thousands of believers have been swarming into the sanctuary since last week to see the saint body which is displayed in a glass coffin. Many hotels are already fully booked through next year.

The relics of the bearded Capuchin monk were exhumed last month from a crypt, under the Vatican's authorization, to commemorate the 40th anniversary of his death. Surprisingly, the body was reportedly found to be almost "intact," except for part of the face which was covered by a silicone mask made by a London company, which produces figures for museums.

The saint's body should be displayed through the end of September 2009 and then will be taken back to the tomb in Santa Maria delle Grazie church in San Giovanni Rotondo. For more information on how to perform a pilgrimage to see the body of Padre Pio send an email to accoglienza@pellegrinipadrepio.it ; cappuccini@conventopadrepio.com or call 0882-417500 or 0882-4171.

at the Villa Comunale (Botanical Gardens). The fair, with 35 dealers' booths, features vintage furniture, apparel, jewelry, kitchenware, arts and crafts, ornaments, sculptures, books and prints, sculptures and more. Highlights include wool tapestry and lace making by local female craftsmen. Opening hours: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Admission is free.

Concerts in Catania this weekend

Here are some top music events' picks for the upcoming weekend: Trombonist/composer Avi Lebovich's Orchestra (Zo Center - May 10 - 9:15 p.m.); Mediterranean folk music band "Nakaira" and "Darshan" will play live during the screening of the 1928 silent movie "The Wind" (Zo Center - May 9 - 9:15 p.m.); Soprano and harpist Arianna Savall (Ursino Castle, May 10 - 7 p.m.); "Appaloosa Victor," country music (May 9 - 10

p.m., Y's Club); Andrea Beneventano (piano) Cristiano Giardini (saxophone) and Alberto Fidone (double bass), (Masseria Portiere Stella - May 9 - 9:15 p.m.); "Congo Natty," reggae, hip hop and drum n bass (Mercati Generali - May 9 - 9 p.m.); Gabriele Taranto, classic piano music, (Collegio Universitario d'Aragona, May 10 - 8:45 p.m.); "Wind & Piano Trio," Paola Selvaggio (piano), Giuseppe Casano (clarinet), Francesco Zanetti (bassoon), (Sangiorgi Theater, May 11, 11 a.m.); Chloe Hanslip (Violin) Roderick Chadwick (piano) - (Bellini Opera House, May 12 - 9 p.m.).

For more information and directions to the concert venues, please contact the Catania Regional Province Tourist Office at 095-7306266/277 (opening hours: Monday-Saturday 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. / Sunday 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.).

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Italian Kids Learn About American Healthy Eating Strategies

Article by Alberto Lunetta

Last week, Sigonella hosted a group of 40 Italian kindergartners from the Belpasso School Complex "Madre Teresa di Calcutta" located in via Vittorio Emanuele III, who saw a presentation on healthy eating strategies and tips.

The goal was to teach children about American food habits and improve their basic knowledge of healthy nutrition and physical activity.

NASSIG Hospital Registered Dietitian, LCDR. Jim McGowan first addressed them with a short historic background on American food habits, explaining how fast food portions have doubled in the past 20 years, causing widespread health concerns among the medical community and the general public.

He then made students reflect on their own eating habits and discussed the role people's food choices and regular physical activity play in illness prevention. LCDR McGowan eventually focused on the Food Guide Pyramid.

During their visit, the students also toured the NASSIG Fire Department and the 41st Stormo "88th" Atlantic Squadron.

This special COMREL event, which was

combined with the regular base Public Affairs tour program, was facilitated jointly by NASSIG PAO Community Relations Officer, Dott. Alberto Lunetta and 41st Stormo PAO assistant, Warrant Officer Giuseppe Stimolo, who recently gave a presentation on the same theme at the Belpasso school.

The students visited Sigonella as part of the European Union program "Comenius" which is mainly aimed at developing an understanding of the different European cultures through exchanges and co-operation between schools in different countries, but it also designed to let the children appreciate the diversity of all the rest of the world's cultures.

"Today's experience gave our kids an opportunity to learn something about the American culture. Through this project, they are discovering different cultures and ways of life," School Deputy Principal Carmela Piazza said.

Asked about this COMREL event, LCDR. McGowan said, "It was a great experience to talk to some other students from a different culture, who got a chance to see some of the issues we're having in America about overweight and obesity."

Photo by Giuseppe Stimolo



Dott. Alberto Lunetta translates for Lt. Cmdr Jim McGowan, who is teaching a group of Belpasso kindergartners how to eat healthy.

MOTORCYCLE

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night were going to be donated to the Belpasso Orphanage.

The community effort was apparent throughout the night as Italian and American motorcycle enthusiasts admired each others bikes and attempted to bridge the language barrier with smiles, gestures and open admiration of the quality motorcycles each had on display. However, goodwill was not the only thing at stake for each motorcycle owner, as eight judged trophies including a "Peoples Choice" award were up for grabs at the night's end.

Local motorcycle owner and enthusiast Aviation Structural Mechanic second class Michael R. Mastropietro said that the rally was "a lot of fun. It's good to see a lot of the bikes out here, and I got to meet some of the local clubs, which is cool because I have 3 more years here." He commented that he had brought his Victory motorcycle to the Motor Rally and had enjoyed riding it in

Sicily.

The night's festivities went into full swing at 9 p.m. when NAS Sigonella Commanding Officer Capt. Thomas Quinn introduced McCain and his band. In an interview before the performance McCain mentioned that he had never done an Armed Forces Entertainment tour before and that NAS Sigonella was his first performance. He mentioned that he was really enjoying the tour and said, "It's beautiful here... Normally we play, finish a show, then hit the road at 3 or 4 in the morning, drive all night get to the next place, set up, play, leave at 3 or 4 in the morning. So to be able to spend some time getting to know some people... This is excellent, so different." McCain played for two hours entertaining a mixed crowd of Sicilians and Americans with his top ten hits "I'll Be" and "I Could Not Ask For More" as well as a mix of other high energy material and finished up with an autograph signing session.



Over fifty bikes appeared for the second annual motorcycle rally held on the NAS 1 land annex.

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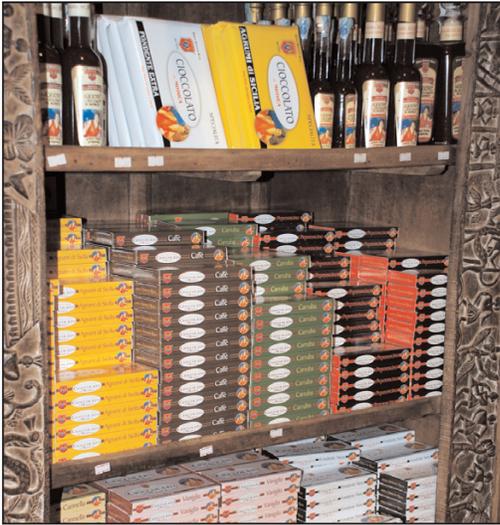
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(Above) Modica's chocolate bars, which contain a high percentage of pure cocoa and are absolutely free of preservatives and artificial aromas, come in an assortment of flavors ranging from the traditional cinnamon, chili pepper and vanilla to coffee, almonds orange etc.

(Below) Delicious Cannoli are also among the highlights of the Bonajuto pastry shop in Modica as they are still made according to the 19th century recipe of the confectionery's founder.



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CELEBRATING THE FOOD

Celebrating a Sweet

Article and photos by [Redacted] Signature Volunteer

Get ready for your mouth to water and your stomach to rumble because this is an exploration into Modica, which has been coined the "South Pole of Chocolate" by Eurochocolate.

On April 24, a small group from Naval Air Station Sigonella spent the evening learning about and tasting chocolate at the fourth annual Eurochocolate Festival in Modica. The five-day festival's theme was "Modicamento," the chocolate lifestyle.

Monica Meschini, official chocolate taster for Eurochocolate, said due to the high quality of the ingredients, five of the top 100 chocolate makers in the world can be found in Modica.

"Once you come back from Modica, your life will be sweeter," Meschini said.

Chocolate was introduced to Modica by Spanish conquistadors hundreds of years ago. Today, chocolate here is made similarly to the way it was by ancient Aztecs in Mexico.

The typical ingredients are cocoa mass/paste, sugar and spices. The most common spices used are vanilla and cinnamon. However, one of the many other flavors, such as chili pepper or orange, may be tempting. Since Modica chocolate is made using a cold production process, the sugar never melts, so the resulting chocolate has a grainy texture and appearance.

Megan Anderson, a festival-goer from Sigonella, said although she usually prefers salty snacks, she really enjoyed the chocolate.

"I think Modica chocolate is so good," she said. "I like that when you eat it, it crunches."

One of the evening's highlights was a chocolate and wine/grappa pairing. At this event, guests were able to sample chocolate from Antica Dolceria Bonajuto, which is the oldest confectionary shop in Modica. In addition, Pellegri winery provided the wine and grappa for guests to taste. First, a sweet white wine, NES Passito di Pantelleria, was paired with a piece of 65 percent pure chocolate. Then, a sweet red wine, Marsala Fine Rubino, was complimented by a morsel of chocolate with cinna-

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The annual Modica Chocolate festival celebrates the town's ancient local chocolate making tradition. Spanish cocoa beans the way Aztecs used to do.

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matched with a bit of 80 percent pure chocolate with salt.

Antica Dolceria Bonajuto has been in Pierpaolo
Ruta's family since 1880. However, he said they recently
found evidence that the shop opened in 1827, possibly ear-
lier.

While at Bonajuto, be sure to try the 'mpanatigghi, a
crescent-shaped pastry filled with chocolate, cinnamon,
cloves and a few other ingredients including beef. Yes,
beef.

Another notable chocolate maker in Modica, is
Quetzal. It is a social cooperative that supports free trade
and produces environmentally friendly, organic products.

Saro Guarrasi, Quetzal member, said the cooperative
helps support underdeveloped countries by paying the
"right price" for items it imports. For example, he said the
cooperative gets its sugar from the Philippines, Ecuador
and Costa Rica. In addition, it gets its cocoa mass from the
Dominican Republic.

"This is good because it benefits the people that are
part of the process," Guarrasi said. "It's not industrial. It's
still made in the ancient way. It's like primitive chocolate."

If you are looking for different types of chocolate,
Antica Dolceria Rizza, another confectionary shop, may be
the place for you. Meschini said both kinds of chocolate at
Rizza have the same percent of cocoa. The difference is in
the production process.

"This is unique because it is the only chocolate maker
that makes both Modica and regular Italian chocolate,"
Meschini said. "The quality is fantastic."

The festival offers an array of other activities as well.
At night, live music echoed through the town, and arts and
crafts vendors filled the streets. In addition to the festival's
activities, Modica has several restaurants to enjoy. Some
local specialties are ravioli with ricotta cheese, pasta with
mashed dried broad beans (Maccu), and pork with tomato
sauce. Moreover, the Baroque architecture is breathtaking
in and of itself.

Anderson said she had such a wonderful time that she
did not want the evening to end because there was so much
to see and do.

"It's one of the best times I've had in Sicily," she said.



(Above) Mpanatigghi are fine half-moon shaped pastries which the Spanish conquistadores brought to Modica in the 16th century. They are stuffed with an original blend of savory beef, chocolate and almond fillings.

(Below) Modica's boasts an impressive number of breathtaking Baroque churches which were built after the 17th century earthquake.



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SPORTS & Fitness

Softball, Powder Puff Style

Article by Lorie Warchol
Photos by Jenni James
MWR Marketing

Spouses, active duty and high school ladies spent the day at the Marinai ball fields on April 27, not watching a ball game but playing in a double-header tournament. When they signed up for the Powder Puff league the intention was to learn some basic skills, have some fun, meet some new friends and ultimately a friendly competition. They did not know that they would also help the Jaguars, ladies high school softball team.

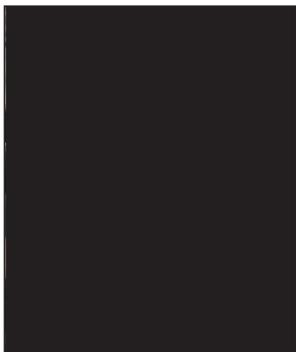
Miki Gilbert, Morale, Welfare and Recreation Sports Coordinator, collaborated with Amy Driscoll, Stephen Decatur High School Athletic Director to provide the high school softball team an opportunity to earn a letter in the sport. The school has an organized team that was unable to participate in any games locally or within the region. That being the case Gilbert targeted softball as an opportunity for the high school to get in their required three games.

The three powder puff teams held practices to learn the basic rules on fielding and hitting before the big day. The majority of the players had very little to no experience playing an organized game of softball.

"It is so cool to see moms playing a real game of softball," said Bret Gilbert, "Some are really good!"

The day was a brilliant success with concessions provided by the National Night Out committee and family members on the sidelines. At the end of the day the Jaguars won one game and lost one. The remaining game, required for their letter, is being organized.

MWR would like to thank all of the ladies that participated and the volunteer coaches that dedicated their time and patience to this wonderful event. For more information on upcoming Powder Puff events contact the Sports Coordinator at 624-2711.



The girls softball teams congratulate each other after a good game.

Soccer Standings Week 8

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<i>OPS</i>	27	9	9	0	0	61	14	47
<i>Hospital</i>	19	10	6	1	3	36	19	17
<i>Patron Sig</i>	18	8	6	0	2	33	16	17
<i>AIMD</i>	1	8	6	0	2	34	18	16
<i>Com. Elite</i>	1	9	5	1	3	31	22	9
<i>Housing</i>	12	6	4	0	2	19	19	0
<i>Com. United</i>	9	8	3	0	5	24	25	-1
<i>Security</i>	9	7	2	3	2	12	15	-3
<i>Exe. Admin</i>	9	8	3	0	5	6	24	-18
<i>Weapons</i>	8	9	2	2	5	14	29	-15
<i>Sec/K-9</i>	5	8	1	2	5	11	37	-26
<i>PWD A</i>	2	8	0	2	6	4	24	-20
<i>PWD B</i>	2	7	0	2	5	9	41	-32

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Community Events

Signonella County Fair: May 9 & 10 from 3 p.m. - Midnight - Live bands, carnival rides and games, inflatables, Skatapalooza and much more!

Join the community in judging the Chili Cook off, watch contestants in the watermelon and pie eating contests, see who is the best Guitar Hero player and check out some hip-hop moves! Activities for all ages! Don't miss one of the biggest events of the year! Located in the Midtown Piazza Parking Lots!

Sports

Pick-Up Basketball

Sundays: 2 p.m. at Fit District

Armed Forces Command Challenge & BBQ

May 16: 10 a.m. at NAS II Field

Command entries due Tuesday, May 13

25-person teams. Teams must have four females (spouses are welcome). Seeding meeting Wednesday, May 14 at 4 p.m., Flight Line Fitness Center Prizes awarded to the top three commands, bonus prizes will be awarded for team spirit and sportsmanship. Get creative; extra points will be awarded to the commands that create a banner and/or t-shirts for your command. A barbeque will be provided. Seeking Khaki/Leadership to officiate and help with the barbeque.

Midtown 2 Theaters

Mother's Day: May 11

Kids bring your mom to the movies and she will

receive a free small popcorn and gift with paid admission.

Wear Purple for Peace day: May 16

SpareTime Bowling Center

Mixed Doubles League

Registration has commenced for Signonella's Mixed Doubles League. Teams consisting of one man and one woman are invited to participate.

Take 5

Xbox 360 Tournament: May 13

Learn and Munch: May 15

Liberty

Adventures in Agrigento:

May 11

Catania Market & More:

May 14

Mexican Dinner:

May 16

Thrill Rides in the UK:

May 23 - 30

ITT Gear-n-Go

Trecastagni's Garlic Festival

May 10: Depart: NAS II 3:30 p.m., NAS I 4 p.m.,

Return: 11 p.m. - \$26 + euro for food

Cefalu' & Cerda

May 11: Depart: NAS II 7:30 a.m., NAS I 8 a.m.,

Return: 8:30 p.m. - \$34 + €28 for lunch and fees

Mother's Day Luncheon

May 11: Depart: NAS I 10 a.m., NAS II 10:30 a.m., Return: 5 p.m. - \$10 transportation + bring €22 for lunch

Cooking Class in Midtown

May 14: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Midtown classroom \$25/class

Palermo Baroque and Parrucca Factory Shopping:

May 16: Depart: NAS II 6:30 a.m., NAS I 7 a.m., Return: 8 p.m.

\$34 + euro for fees, food and shopping

Scuba

Open Water Diver Class:

May 14 at 5 p.m.

Fitness

America's Kids Run

May 9: Sign-ups begin at 3:30 p.m., Run starts at 4 p.m.

Youth Sports

Youth T-ball and Baseball

Registration fee \$35.

Mineo Recreation Center

Mother's Day Crafts:

May 10 at 5 p.m.

National Chocolate Chip Cookie Day:

May 15

MAY 9 - MAY 15

MIDTOWN MOVIE THEATER

MOVIE HOTLINE: 624-4248

SCHEDULE

MOVIE DESCRIPTIONS

Friday, May 9

Closed All Day for The Signonella County Fair!!!!

Saturday, May 10

12:00pm Horton Hear A Who! G 86 min.

12:30pm Iron Man PG-13 126 min.

Sunday, May 11

2:00pm Horton Hear A Who! G 86 min.

2:30pm Never Back Down PG-13 114 min.

4:30pm Penelope PG 89 min.

5:00pm Domsday R 109 min.

7:00pm Iron Man PG-13 126 min.

Monday, May 12

12:00pm Vantage Point PG-13 84 min.

3:00pm Penelope PG 89 min.

5:00pm College Road Trip G 83 min.

5:30pm Witless Protection PG-13 97 min.

7:30pm Domsday R 109 min.

8:00pm The Bank Job R110 min.

Tuesday, May 13

5:00pm Horton Hears A Who! G 86 min.

5:30pm Never Back Down PG-13 114 min.

7:30pm Iron Man PG-13 126 min.

8:00pm Semi-Pro R 91 min.

Wednesday, May 14

12:00pm Domsday R 109 min.

3:00pm College Road Trip G 83 min.

5:00pm Penelope PG 89 min.

5:30pm 10,000 B.C. PG-13 109 min.

7:30pm The Bank Job R 110 min.

8:00pm Witless Protection PG-13 97 min.

Thursday, May 15

3:00pm Horton Hears A Who! G 86 min.

5:00pm Iron Man PG-13 126 min.

5:30pm Vantage Point PG-13 84 min.

7:30pm THROWBACK THURSDAY - FREE

Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married PG-13 118 min.

8:00pm Never Back Down PG-13 114 min.

10,000 B.C. (PG-13)

In a remote mountain tribe, the young hunter, D'Leh, has found his heart's passion - the beautiful Eviolat. When a band of mysterious warlords raid his village and kidnap Eviolat, D'Leh is forced to lead a small group of hunters to pursue the warlords to the end of the world to save her. Driven by destiny, the unlikely band of warriors must battle saber-tooth tigers and prehistoric predators and, at their heroic journey's end, they uncover a Lost Civilization. Their ultimate fate lies in an empire beyond imagination, where great pyramids reach into the skies. Here they will take their stand against a powerful god who has brutally enslaved their people.

The Bank Job (R)

A car dealer with a dodgy past and new family, Terry has always avoided major-league scams. But when Martine, a beautiful model from his old neighborhood, offers him a lead on a foolproof bank hit on London's Baker Street, Terry recognizes the opportunity of a lifetime. Martine targets a roomful of safe deposit boxes worth millions in cash and jewelry. But Terry and his crew don't realize the boxes also contain a treasure trove of dirty secrets - secrets that will thrust them into a deadly web of corruption and illicit scandal that spans London's criminal underworld, the highest echelons of the British government, and the Royal Family itself...the true story of a heist gone wrong... in all the right ways.

College Road Trip (G)

Melanie is eagerly looking forward to taking her first big step towards independence when she plans a 'girls only' road trip to check out prospective universities. However, when her imposing police-chief dad insists on escorting her instead, she soon finds her dream trip turning into a nightmare full of misfortune and turmoil. Dad wants to assure total security and safety for his precious daughter, while Melanie has a 17-year-old's need to become a grown woman and have her own sense of independence. Now, even as dad and daughter bicker, banter and careen from one disaster to the next on their journey, they are about to discover that, sometimes, going that extra mile to be together can forge a family bond so strong it can withstand anything—even wild curves ahead.

Domsday (R)

The year is 2008, and a pandemic threatens to wipe out the whole of the human race. For many in the United Kingdom—the epicenter of the outbreak—the end is nigh, so why bother to keep count? Within days of detection of the Reaper virus millions are infected in Scotland, the killer diseases home turf. Government has no choice but to declare the country a hot zone and quarantine the populace in hopes of containing the Reapers spread. What was once Scotland is now a forgotten No Mans Land, with the Reaper given free reign to annihilate the population sealed inside. A quarter of a century later, with a new outbreak of the Reaper resurfacing in London, it becomes apparent that the governments best laid plans have gone completely, bloody awry. Department of Domestic Security (DDS) Chief Bill Nelson is summoned to meet with the prime minister and the true power behind his office, Michael Canaris, who reveal satellite photos of Reaper survivors in the hot zone. And survivors must mean there's a cure. Nelson quickly assembles a crack team of specialists to venture into the forsaken land and retrieve the counter-agent to the virus. For the tough and efficient commanding officer, Major Eden Sinclair, the assignment repre-

sents a disquieting homecoming. Twenty-five years earlier, she had been shoved into one of the last evacuating military choppers and flown to safety—forced to leave her mother behind. Once on the other side of the immediately re-secured border, the squadron is on its own, venturing into a ghoulish terrain of corpse-strewn, forlorn cities. All too soon, however, the crew meets up with a pack of feral survivors, and finds itself unwittingly standing in for the callous government that turned its back years before.

Dr. Seuss' Horton Hears a Who! (G)

The imaginative elephant Horton hears a cry for help coming from a tiny speck of dust floating through the air. Suspecting there may be life on that speck and despite a surrounding community which thinks he has lost his mind, Horton is determined to help.

Iron Man (PG-13)

Tony Stark is a billionaire industrialist and genius inventor who is kidnapped and forced to build a devastating weapon. Instead, using his intelligence and ingenuity, Tony builds a high-tech suit of armor and escapes captivity. When he uncovers a nefarious plot with global implications, he dons his powerful armor and vows to protect the world as Iron Man.

Never Back Down (PG-13)

Jake Tyler has recently moved to Orlando, Florida with his family to support his younger brother's shot at a professional tennis career. Jake was a star athlete on the football team at home, but in this new city he is an outsider with a reputation for being a quick tempered brawler. Making an attempt to fit in, at the invitation of a flirtatious classmate, Baja, Jake goes to a party where he is unwittingly pulled into a fight with a bully named Ryan McDonald. While he is defeated and humiliated in the fight, a classmate introduces himself to Jake and tells him about the sport known as Mixed Marshall Arts (MMA). He sees a star in Jake and asks that he meet with his mentor, Jean Roqua. It is immediately apparent to Jake that MMA is not street fighting, but rather an art form he wants to master. Roqua will take Jake under his wing, but it is up to Jake to find the patience, discipline, willingness and reason within him to succeed. For Jake, there is much more at stake than mere victory. His decision will not just settle a score; it will define who he is.

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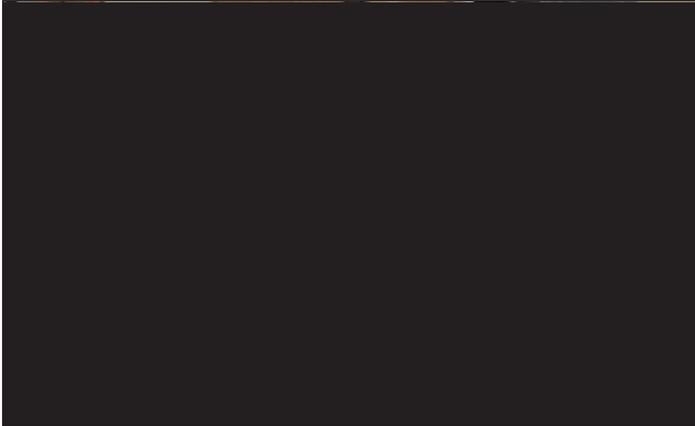
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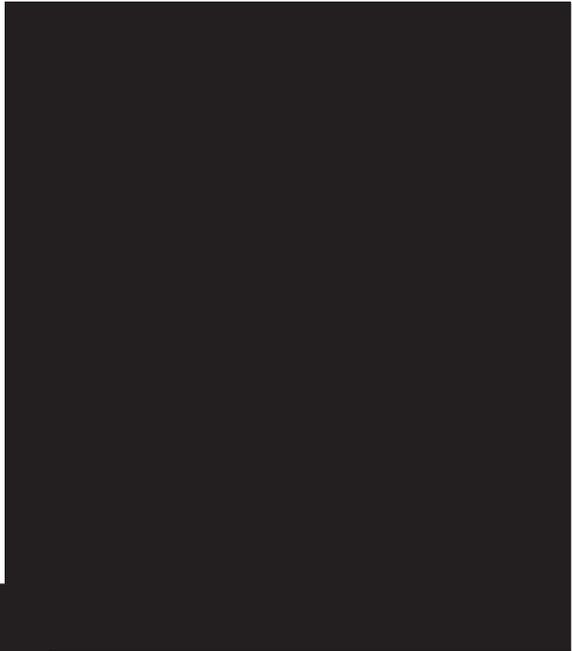
21, Stop Loss, Superhero Movie

School NEWS

Chemistry and Kids



(Left) Children observe the effects of baking soda and vinegar in one of the classes experiments. (Below) Another experiment explored the best chemicals to clean a penny with.



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Signature Volunteer

Sigonella chemistry students put what they have learned this year to the test April 22 - 24 in Sigonella High school Chemistry teacher Jen Bunyan's classroom, by inviting children ages 3-6 from the Child Development Center and the elementary school to learn about science.

Bunyan's chemistry students researched and selected fun and hands-on science experiments that could teach the basics of chemistry and the scientific process but were appropriate for the ages of the children visiting. The students had to include a poster containing information about how to recreate their experiments and a handout

for each child with their presentations for a grade.

One experiment, presented by Saunia Florida, involved teaching CDC students about solids, liquids, and gases using zip lock bags, baking soda, and vinegar. The reaction between the baking soda and the vinegar excited the participating children as the plastic bag inflated like a balloon. A second experiment called Get Your Shine On explored which liquid out of a selection could clean pennies the best, and a third experiment helped the visiting kids make "Slippery Slime" out of Borax, glue, and water.

"Science is always changing

and it's an important subject; It's how everything was created; it's why things are the way they are and that's an important subject for everyone to learn," Florida said.

The high school students analyzed their experiment on their posters and explained them to the children during their presentations. The children rotated around the chemistry room to participate in every experiment and got to keep anything they might have made.

Bunyan's hope for the younger kids was that they learned about experiments and how to observe and investigate the world around them.

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Bible study every Tuesday: 9:15 a.m. at NAS 1 Chapel
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NURSE CORPS

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the Naval Appropriations Bill authorizing the establishment of the Nurse Corps as a unique staff corps of the Navy. The first applications to the Nurse Corps were sent by women from around the nation to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery. Candidates were required to travel to Washington, DC, at their own expense and take oral and written examinations. The first members of the Nurse Corps included a superintendent (Esther Hasson), a chief nurse (Lenah Higbee), and 18 other women. These women, known as the "Sacred Twenty", established the foundation of service and caring that defines the Navy Nurse Corps.

For 100 years, members of the Navy Nurse Corps included many who served overseas and on the front lines. They worked in contagious disease wards during the Spanish Influenza epidemic. They treated and cared for the sick and wounded in World War I base hospitals, World War II prisoners of war camps and the Pacific operating theaters. They served aboard hospital ships in the Korean and Vietnam wars. They served during many Navy humanitarian missions. They are serving at the fleet hospitals supporting Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom in the Global War on Terrorism. Navy nurses have served and continue to serve in many environments - overseas, onboard ships, in medical centers, in clinics, as enroute medevac nurses, in mobile hospital tents and under the hostile conditions of war. The Navy Nurse Corps

Officers serve proudly supporting all the military services, active duty and reserves, retired and their family members."

Today Navy Nurse Corps Officers hold top executive level positions throughout Navy Medicine. The opportunity for Nurse Corps Officers to excel as leaders in executive health care and specialty care training is unsurpassed. The value of our Navy Nurse Corps is recognized and praised across the military services for its wide range scope of mission and quality of health care delivered.

The Navy Nurse Corps, embrace it, cherish it! Happy 100th Birthday to The Navy Nurse Corps and all its past and present members, may you always carry on this proud tradition.

Want to learn more about being a Nurse Corps Officer? <http://www.navy.com/careers/healthcare/nursing/>



Nurses for the U.S. Naval Hospital Sigonella celebrate the Navy Nurse Corps 100th birthday.

TERMINAL GETS WI-FI

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their loved ones before they head into the desert.

Often, they have to spend hours at the terminal without transportation awaiting their next flight, and this easy access will allow them to use the internet for information and entertainment to help make the time go a little faster.

With the system initialized just three weeks ago it has already become a popular service with the terminal customers.

Although it is not currently possible to access the

wireless connection outside of the terminal, MWR is already working on possible upgrades to the system to further expand the reach of wireless capabilities which already exists in Midtown, Take 5, the library, Big AI's, and Jox.

Another location also in consideration to receive wireless services is the Child Development Center to allow the staff conduct better research and lesson planning over the internet and manage the information electronically from their classrooms.

Moda Italia

Making Your Vote Count

**Article by Lt. J.g. Matt Knight
Sigonella Public Affairs Officer**

Democratic presidential hopefuls are battling it out in the media while the Republican frontrunner is amping up his campaign trying to win over the undecided. The daily press is full of rhetoric and hearsay about all three candidates, but the most important question that should be on your mind is "Am I prepared to vote?"

According to the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, enacted in 1986, any uniformed service member, dependent or U.S. civilian stationed overseas qualifies to vote absentee. However, there are several steps you need to take before your vote will count.

NAS Sigonella Voting Assistance Officer LT Christopher Sovich said, "Voters should register as early as possible. Command voting representatives should be able to answer most questions, but an easy way to find all the information at once is to visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program website at www.fvap.gov."

According to www.fvap.gov, the first thing that any UOCAVA citizens should do is to complete and mail the Federal Post Card Application Form SF-76 "Registration and Absentee Ballot Request Form" to the state of their legal residence. A complete list of instructions and addresses for each state can be found at: <http://www.fvap.gov/pubs/vag.html>

In order to make the process as simple and economical as possible for the voter a PDF version of the "Registration and Absentee Ballot Request Form" and a pre-paid mail-

ing envelope can be downloaded at: <http://www.fvap.gov/pubs/fpac.html>

Once the form has been mailed, the local election official for the county the voter is registered in will approve the registration request and mail the ballot to the voter. It is highly recommended to register as soon as possible because voting officials have the right to request more information if there is a discrepancy prior to mailing the ballot.

After receiving the ballot the voter simply needs to place their vote and mail the ballot back to the local election official to be counted.

In a memorandum dated Nov. 26, 2007, Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates reinforced the value of ensuring that service members had voting rights at home and while stationed overseas saying, "With the calendar of primary elections beginning early and stretching through September 2008," Gates said, "it is important that the department and the services be prepared to carry out the voting assistance mission to inform and educate U.S. citizens of the right to vote, foster voting participation, and protect the integrity of the electoral process."

"Voting is a both a right and a responsibility of citizens in our country," Gates continued. "(Military leaders must) do everything we can to encourage participation and ensure that our service members and families are able to exercise their right to vote and have that vote counted."

For more information on voting abroad contact your command voting representative or visit www.fvap.gov.

**ASIAN PACIFIC
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so. Sixty-nine years later in 1942 the U.S. War Department authorized the first Filipino infantry battalion comprised of Filipino Americans. That same year Army Sgt. Jose Calugas became the first Filipino to earn a Medal of Honor for heroism during World War II. The following year would see Korean American Colonel Young Oak Kim become the first Asian American to command a combat battalion. To this date he is also the most highly decorated Asian American soldier. While Kim was leading the combat battalion, Wilbur Carl Sze became the first Chinese American officer in the U.S. Marine Corps.

After the attack on Pearl Harbor during World War II, fear and prejudice towards Japanese Americans led the U.S. government to violate their rights by placing them in mainland concentration camps. Despite the limitations and racial prejudices experienced Japanese Americans

joined the 442nd Regimental Combat Team which became the most decorated unit of its size with seven Presidential Distinguished Unit Citations, 18,000 individual decorations, including a Congressional Medal of Honor, 47 distinguished Service Crosses, 350 Silver Stars, 810 Bronze Stars, and more than 3,600 Purple Hearts.

The 442nd Regimental Combat Team laid the ground work that later enabled Major General John Liu Fugh to become the first Chinese American to attain general officer status in the U.S. Army in 1984; and Japanese American General Eric K. Shinseki to assume the duties of the 28th ViceChief of Staff in 1998.

Asian Pacific Americans have not only served the U.S. with brawn and brains, but have shared their culture to help create the eclectic melting pot that is America. They have contributed their knowledge of various art forms, their culinary skills, and even religious and philosophical practices.

**MOTHERS DAY
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your children and family because the time is fleeting and difficult to redeem. May you take some time to reflect as Jayne Jaudon Ferrer did in her poem, "The Play's The Thing."

Forgive me, Lord,
for all the tasks
that went undone today.
But this morning when my
child
toddled in and said, "Mommy
play?"
I simply had to say yes.
And between the puzzles and
trucks
and blocks and dolls and old

hats and
books and giggles,
we shared a thousand special
thoughts,
a hundred hopes and dreams
and hugs.
And tonight, when prayer time
came
and he folded his hands and
softly whispered,
"Thank you, God, for Mommy
and Daddy and
toys and French fries, but 'spe-
cially
for mommy playing."
I knew it was a day well wasted.
And I knew You'd understand.

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2001 Ford KA, white, excellent condition, 5 speed transmission, dual airbag, air condition, new safety inspection, new tune-up, power lock doors and windows, AM/FM CD player, great gas mileage. Sale on date 15 May. Asking \$4200.00. Call 624-1464 or 335-763-0809.

2006 Toyota Corolla S, Must Sell, American spec, 12000 miles, fully loaded including sunroof and Sports Pkg. Blue book value is 17,500, I will take 15,000 OBO, this car is a must see and great on gas, draws 300 liters. MUST SALE Call

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1995 Fiat Brava 5 door, 5 speed, AC, 107,000 kilometers, runs well, good condition, clean. Available after May 23, 2008. \$2,500 or best offer. Call 095-308-635 after 5 PM.

2002 Red NT 650 Honda sports cruiser, Bike is Euro specs. Engine was over hauled last year by All Service in MisterBianco and runs great! Good bike to tour around Sicily or to just save some money in gas riding to work. Asking \$ 2700 OBO Call Matt @ 334-372-0240 (Cell) Email at alfadog26@yahoo.com

'99 Toyota Sienna Van 124K mi, runs great, draws 400 liters. Great island family van. Available 5/28 \$4000 OBO. Call Mike or Eva @ 624-0296, if no answer please leave message

Chrysler Stratus 2.0 (1999), convertible, full optional, excellent conditions, 84000 miles. asking 6500 euro obo. call Daniela 3488018461

2003 Ford Ranger. 2.3L single cab, gray, 5 on the floor, CD player. Great small truck! Perfect for singles and two-person families. Great on gas, all maintenance done at correct intervals, extremely clean and easy to maintain. Not a thing wrong with it! Must see! Leaving in July, will work something out. \$6,000 OBO. 347-627-9413, 624-1681. Ask for Thomas.

WANTED

Used Elliptical in good condition. Please call Marge @ 624-0520 or 3898001726

Dog Sitter Needed for June-July I have a neutered 12 year old easy going Miniature Schnauzer that needs to be cared for at your house in the months of June and July. If interested call 624-1465.

FOR SALE

Bunk Bed, single top/double bottom, white wood headboard/footboard frame, double mattress included, \$225. Wood coffee table and 2 end tables, light wood stain, mission style with storage under each, \$75 for all 3. Kitchen island table, light wood and white tile, \$15. Ikea storage cabinet, 92" tall, 39" wide, 24" deep, includes 2 roll out tray shelves and 2 standard shelves, \$275. Dresser set, cream color drawers and wood color frame, silver handles and legs, one is wide with 3 drawers, one is tall with 7 drawers, \$100 for both. Small wood student desk with 2 side drawers, and chair, \$15. Sizzix die cutter, various dies including an alphabet set, \$50 for all. Call 624-0387.

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I am selling 4 used 18" Chrome Rims for \$300 or OBO. They are universal and can fit on any five(5) lug vehicle. For more information, please call 624-1326 or 334277357.

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3 piece matching Aquarium set, swing/gym/bathtub with hammock-\$75 will sell separate.Bouncy with overhead activity light set \$10.JJ Cole baby sling \$25.Blue Bumbo baby seat \$20.Avent bottle sterilizer (fits all bottles)\$25. Maternity clothes/0 to 12mo boy clothes in perfect shape. Call Stacey at 624-0629

2 brand new BF Goodrich Traction T/A, High Performance, All-Season tires. Size of tires is 205/60/15. Asking \$180 OBO. Call Michael for more info at 624-2821 or 3355788077.

Hardly-used Sauder Office Furniture for sale, including Computer Credenza, Executive Desk, and Library Bookshelf. Furniture is matching and has "Classic Cherry" finish. This furniture is assembled, ready to use, and looks great! Asking \$200 for the Computer Credenza, \$250 for the Executive Desk, \$50 for the bookshelf, or \$450/OBO for all 3 pieces. Call Michael for more info at 624-2821 or 3355788077.

8 ft. sofa w/2 matching wing chairs, brown & gold, fair condition, \$185: 3 piece floor/table lamp set, tulip globes w/shiny brass base, \$75; coffee and end table set, oak wood, \$95. Call 346-422-7842.

Patio set, glass table top & 4 metal frame chairs, good condition. Paid \$375, asking \$195. Call 346-422-7842

Portable a/c unit, 220v, \$50. Window a/c unit, 5,000 BTU, 220v, used one summer, paid \$225 at NEX, asking \$75. Call 346-422-7842.

Baby changing station w/matching wardrobe, wood, white w/pink trim, \$200, full size mattress/box spring set, fair condition, \$125. Call 346-422-7842.

Dining Room Set. Table is inlaid oak w/ two leafs (seats eight when both are used), six cane back padded chairs, lighted china cabinet. A little worn, but solid and in useable condition. Asking \$275 obo. Call 346-422-7842.

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Asking \$75. Call 346-422-7842.

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Anyone interested in sending ads via email should leave a phone number and point of contact name at thesig@nassig.sicily.navy.mil. Ads run for two weeks on a space available basis and must be sponsored by active duty military members, family members or Italian National/ American base employees. Ads must be 40 words or less and typed in regular upper case, lower case format. The Signature no longer accepts ads that bring profit to a business or individual, such as maid, babysitting services or home rentals. AFRTS/AFN decoders must be sold only to another authorized individual: active duty or retired U.S. military, DoD direct-hire employees, and their spouse. If someone would like these types of services in The Signature they can call Stampa Generale @ 081-568-7884.

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