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## After Libya, pace changes in Naples

From Panorama staff

Monday marked the end of NATO's involvement in Libya, prompting a change in the operational pace at Allied Joint Force Command (JFC) Naples.

Now that NATO's Operation Unified Protector mission has officially concluded, JFC Naples "will return to its normal operational battle rhythm," said Capt.

Ike Skelton, public affairs officer for JFC Naples.

Military personnel from NATO countries who came to help with Operation Unified Protector were already departing the Naples area as of Monday, Skelton said. Meanwhile, JFC Naples members who were assigned to the Libya mission are now returning to their regular jobs, he said.

"The military job is now done," Skelton said this week. "Our role at JFC Naples now is to take our lessons learned and get back to the job of preparing for, planning and conducting military operations in order to preserve the peace, security and territorial integrity of Alliance member states."

Those missions include the NATO mission in Kosovo, as well as other NATO

missions in the Balkans, including in the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Skelton said.

JFC Naples will also return its attention to the NATO Training Mission Iraq, the maritime operation Active Endeavor and the ongoing air policing mission, Skelton said.

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#### FRIDAY

High 70 / Low 59  
Partly Cloudy



#### SATURDAY

High 68 / Low 61  
Partly Cloudy



#### SUNDAY

High 70 / Low 55  
Chance of rain



## New school attendance rules are no vacation



Students at Naples Elementary and Naples Middle/High School arrive for school Tuesday morning. A new Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) attendance policy requires students to attend school at least 180 days per year. See article on page 12  
(Photo by MC2 Felicito Rustique)

## NEX catches thieves changing prices

From Panorama staff

One wouldn't think that a shoplifter would try making a getaway through the check-out line rather than the front door. But that's exactly the kind of shoplifter loss prevention officials caught last week at the Navy Exchange in Naples.

The Naples Navy Exchange is reporting a spike in a non-traditional kind of theft: customers altering or switching price tags to receive a lower or discounted price.

Last week, employees at the Navy Exchange in Naples caught a person placing a higher-priced pair of shoes in the box of a cheaper pair to avoid paying the full cost of the item. Two other cases of theft by price-switching have also been reported at the Naples Navy Exchange in

recent weeks.

Tom Goodman, the manager at the Naples Navy Exchange, said that customers who alter prices generally do not feel they are stealing, as they are still going through the motion of purchasing the item.

Price-switchers shouldn't think they aren't thieves, however, just because they're taking their merchandise through the check-out line, he said.

"Make no mistake," Goodman said, "The unauthorized alteration of a price is still considered theft."

Among all Navy Exchanges, 21 cases of theft by price switching have been reported to date, said Joe Box, Navy Exchange Service Command Director Overseas for Loss Prevention/Safety. Those thefts amounted to

\$2,034.03 in losses for the company, or 2 percent of all external theft activity, Box said.

Every case of theft affects the Navy Exchange's profits, Box said, which in turn hampers its ability to contribute funding to Navy Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) programs.

"As part of our mission, the NEX contributes 70 percent of its profits to MWR to support Navy quality of life programs," Box said. "So, by stealing from the NEX, the customer is also stealing from themselves."

Thefts also make it harder for the Navy Exchange to provide quality goods and services at low prices, Goodman said.

"Every lost dollar affects the bottom line," Goodman said.

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# Captain's Corner

By Capt. Scott Gray  
NSA Commanding Officer



Wow, it's November already! School is finishing up its first quarter and the holiday season is right around the corner. Don't forget to mail your packages early! The specific dates have been in the paper for weeks, but the time is actually here as the first cutoff for parcel post is Nov. 12.

I had a great time at the Halloween festivities this past weekend, as I know many of you did. We estimated approximately 8,000 people were at the Spooktacular, including a community relations initiative that sponsored students from several local Italian schools. I saw a ton of smiles as I was walking around Carney Park Friday as well as at the Support Site for Trick or Treating on Monday. Thanks to everyone who came together and made both events a fantastic success for the community.

As I've alluded to before, I value input from the community and welcome your suggestions and recommended solutions to improve conditions on the base. I always try to look into those areas where I feel things can or should be improved. An ongoing area of focus has been improving parking at Capodichino. We have completed several initiatives to open up more parking and improve availability. Additionally, we have identified and removed several abandoned vehicles. On Tuesday of this week, security did an additional sweep of the East Garage and discovered approximately 40 vehicles that were either abandoned or illegally parked for long periods of time. There is a procedure to request long term parking on base, but that privilege is limited to the West Garage. These vehicles were taking up much-needed space, inconveniencing all personnel who work onboard Capodichino. We're doing our due diligence, researching the vehicles and contacting the commands of the personnel those vehicles are registered to in order to ascertain their status. We are also beginning to tow vehicles to free up that space. If the vehicle is abandoned and the former owner has PCS'ed from Naples, that member will receive a letter of indebtedness and the charges of towing and scrapping the vehicle will be recouped from his or her pay. We have a process in place for registration of vehicles in Italy, and the government will not eat the cost for those individuals who did not abide by the process. Please ensure your personnel check out with MVRO prior to a PCS to avoid this situation. And if you need to park for the long-term for any reason, register your vehicle with security and park in the designated areas in the West Garage.

Our Capo paving plan continues and you'll see some of the on-street parking go away for a short period beginning Tuesday. Please plan accordingly and give yourselves some extra time when coming to work given anticipated traffic delays due to the project. Also please watch your speed while driving around Capo, and pay attention to the traffic signs and personnel.

Substation maintenance will begin on the Support Site Nov. 14, so keep an eye out for the schedule, which will be posted online and printed everywhere. The key thing to remember is that residents will be affected twice—once when the entire residential loop goes down, and then again when your individual transformer is scheduled for maintenance. You may also experience periodic power outages for a few minutes as a result of transitioning the system to a safe condition for the repair personnel. Most of the outages will be 6.5 hours, but a few will be as long as 12 hours. Please familiarize yourself with the schedule and plan accordingly. This maintenance is certainly an inconvenience for everyone involved, but it is required in order to properly maintain the equipment and improve reliability of the system for all. Please bear with us while we work to maintain and improve our systems.

You can read all about the recent shoplifting at the NEX on this paper's front page. Two items I'd like to note: it's not worth it and you will get caught. Many times the shoplifter thinks he or she is trying some new trick and being very clever, but the loss prevention specialists at our NEX have seen a lot of good tricks, and they're watching. It's not worth it to save \$50 on some expensive shoes but lose your shopping privileges and potentially your career in the Navy.

There has been good patronage of the Support Site minimart during the new extended hours, and therefore those hours will continue indefinitely. We're going to look at a similar trial for the Capo facilities in the near future. After I meet with Capo residents to get a feel for what they want, we'll announce the extended hours at those facilities.

I'm interested in doing what's best for the community, and I want to say yes to every suggestion. My staff will attest to all the times I've made them come up with a solution to a problem that individuals in the community have pointed out. Sometimes the issues can't be fixed, but almost always there's a reasonable solution that should take care of the problems you identify. Please keep the suggestions coming!

Next Friday is Veteran's Day. Almost all of us here in the community are either veterans ourselves or very closely related to one, so thank you all for your service and enjoy YOUR day!

# Base Notes

From Panorama staff reports

## Help the USO Naples deliver a Taste of Home for Thanksgiving

Call all community members: On Thursday, Nov. 17, prepare your favorite Thanksgiving style dish and help the USO Naples volunteer committee deliver another successful Taste of Home night to all unaccompanied service members. Please prepare your favorite Thanksgiving style food in disposable pans or containers and drop them off at any USO center.

Naples' junior sailors will appreciate your generous gesture and will feel closer to home!

Your donations are vital for this special program. For more information on how to contribute, please call the USO Naples at 081-811-5713 or email [luisa.mazzella@uso.it](mailto:luisa.mazzella@uso.it). This event will be hosted at the Liberty Center in collaboration with Morale, Welfare and Recreation.

## USPS to offer discount on FPO shipping

In anticipation of a busy holiday shipping season, the United States Postal Service is announcing a \$2 discount for large Priority Mail Flat Rate boxes mailed to FPO/APO destinations worldwide.

Instead of the usual fee of \$14.95, the new cost will be \$12.95. This discount applies only for mailing to overseas locations and not mailing to the continental United States. Encourage your family members to take advantage of this discount when mailing packages to you.

The Postal Service also offers free military care kits, designed specifically for military families sending packages overseas. Each kit includes two "America Supports

You" large Priority Mail Flat Rate Boxes, four medium-sized Priority Mail Flat Rate Boxes, six Priority Mail labels, one roll of Priority Mail tape and six customs forms with envelopes.

Remember, mailing to FPO/APO addresses requires customs forms. The mailing kits can be ordered by calling 800-610-8734.

## Naples High School and Elementary School dates to remember

The Naples High School Boys' Volleyball Team will be in Aviano for the European Championships this weekend, while the Naples High School Girls' Volleyball Team will compete in Germany for the European Championships. Go Wildcats!

- Nov. 4: Teacher Work Day — No school
- Nov. 7: High School PTSA Meeting — 3 p.m. in the Media Center
- Nov. 10: Elementary School Honor Roll Assembly (tentative)
- Nov. 11: Veteran's Day — No school
- Nov. 17-18: Parent/Teacher Conferences — No school for students
- Nov. 24-25: Thanksgiving Holiday — No school

## ADHD support group meets Nov. 9

Naples Elementary School's next ADHD Parent Support Group meeting will be at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9 in the Naples Elementary School Information Center (the Library). This meeting is for parents of children of all ages who are looking for more information about ADHD. Please bring your questions, concerns, articles and ideas for future meetings. For more information, [coleen.byrnes@eu.dodea.edu](mailto:coleen.byrnes@eu.dodea.edu)

## EVENTS AROUND TOWN THIS WEEKEND

- **Nov. 4 - 5** - The town of San Giuseppe in Vesuviano in the Napoli province will hold its annual mushroom festival this weekend. From 8 p.m. onward Friday and Saturday, visitors can sample mushrooms and other local products. Events tonight include a Vespa rally, live music and a comedic performance. On Saturday, the town will hold its fifth annual Festa di Tammorra, or Tamborine Festival, in conjunction with the mushroom festival. Head to Via San Leonardo, 1 in San Giuseppe in Vesuviano to join the festivities.
- **Nov. 4 - 6** - The town of Montella in the Avellino province will put on its annual chestnut festival for the 29th year. Events take place in the town's historic center and include food stands, guided visits, musical entertainment, face-painting and balloon animals for children. Events start at 9 a.m. each day and continue past 8 p.m. For more information, visit [www.sagrastagnamontella.it](http://www.sagrastagnamontella.it) or [www.comune-montella.it](http://www.comune-montella.it).

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## Weekly "Giant Voice" testing to begin at Support Site

The NSA Naples Emergency Management Office will begin testing the "Giant Voice" Mass Warning and Notification System at the Support Site about noon every Wednesday beginning Nov. 9. These loudspeaker tests at Support Site will coincide with the weekly tests conducted aboard Capodichino. These tests are necessary to ensure personnel and family members aboard the Support Site can quickly be notified in the event of an emergency or other incident which may affect them. The tests should last only a few minutes. No actions are required of any persons at the Support Site or Capodichino.

## Kids Talk Nov. 18

Kids and teens: submit your stories, drawings, travel writings or opinion columns to the *Panorama* for publication in Kids Talk. Every third week of the month, the paper will print your work. Please send articles written by you, drawings made by you and photos shot by you to the *Panorama* at [naplespanorama@eu.navy.mil](mailto:naplespanorama@eu.navy.mil), or ask your parents or teachers to e-mail them to us. Deadline for the Nov. 18 issue is November 11.

## CNE-CNA-C6F/CNREURAFSWA IG HOTLINE

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**Office of the Inspector General, Naples, Italy**

Leave a recorded message 24/7:.....081-568-2983

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

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# Did you know? Holiday history

By Cmdr. Philip Pelikan  
NSA Naples Command Chaplain

Several days this week have been National Holidays for Italians. This is because All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day are traditional holy days in the Roman Catholic Church, which is the predominant faith of Italy. All Saints' Day (Nov. 1) is a Holy Day of Obligation in the Roman Catholic Church, which means that all Roman Catholics should attend Mass if they wish to stay in good standing with the Church. All Saints' Day commemorates the passing of all baptized Christians. It is also observed by many Protestant groups. Eastern Orthodox All Saints Day is in the springtime, on the Sunday after Pentecost. It's known as All Saints Sunday.

All Souls' Day (Nov. 2) is a day of commemorating all souls of those who have died and are in Purgatory. Thus, it is a uniquely Roman Catholic observance, since all Protestant and Eastern Orthodox churches do not believe in Purgatory.

Halloween, on the other hand, is derived from the words "All Hallow's Eve," or the evening before All Saints' Day. The celebratory aspect of Halloween in its present form with the addition of spooky things has evolved from an ancient traditional Irish/Celtic observance known as Samhain, which is probably a derivation of the Irish word "Samuin," meaning "Summer's End." Samhain was the first and by far the most important of the four quarter days in the medieval Irish cal-

endar. Falling on the last day of autumn, it was a time for stock-taking and preparation for the cold winter months ahead. There was also a sense that this was the time of year when the physical and supernatural worlds were closest and magical things could happen. In an attempt to ward off evil spirits, the Irish built huge, symbolically regenerative bonfires and invoked the help of the gods through animal and perhaps even human sacrifice. Such observances were pre-Christian in Ireland, and gradually were displaced as Christianity — and thus the observance of the aforementioned days of All Saints and All Souls — became more prevalent.

Happy All Hallow's Eve, All Saints' Day, and All Souls' Day to all.

## Italian News Briefs

Compiled by Teresa Merola

### Waste dump near Hadrian's villa causes uproar

The regional government of Rome approved the construction of a waste dump close to a huge imperial Roman palace, fomenting a possible crisis similar to the one in Naples. The dump site is under construction and will be located in a 250-acre facility less than a mile from the remains of Hadrian's Villa. An Italian prince who is the descendant of Pope Urban VIII is leading a campaign to fight the opening of the site, which he says will pollute aquifers and an underground stream that flows into the River Tiber. Moreover, summer concerts are held at Hadrian's Villa, and the smell from the dump site will discourage people to go, he says. The dump will also bury a 2,000-year-old Roman aqueduct. The prince has called on people from the world of arts and culture in an effort to block the site; he and a well known Italian actress made an appeal to the president of Italy to block the plan. But the regional government said the project will go ahead because an existing waste dump is about to be closed.

### Italy celebrates Armed Forces Day with concerts, events

Today, Nov. 4, Italy celebrates Armed Forces Day and National Unity Day. As part of the celebration, seventy military installations in Campania will be opened for visits. The initiative, called "Open Bases," attracted 45,000 visitors in 2010. The program is promoted by the Ministry of Defense, in collaboration with the City of Naples and the Prefecture of Naples.

As part of the Armed Forces Day celebrations, a military joint forces unit will be present in Naples' Piazza del Plebiscito Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., accompanied by the musical band of the Fanfara dei Carabinieri. A concert will follow.

Additionally, in Rome today at 9 p.m. in Piazza

del Popolo, there will be a concert by the famous composer and conductor Ennio Morricone. Morricone received the Academy Honary Award in 2007 for his contributions to the art of film music. For more info, visit [www.difesa.it](http://www.difesa.it).

### Parking attendant in Naples caught reserving spaces via SMS

An unlicensed parking attendant in Naples utilized public parking spaces in an innovative way. He allowed customers to book parking space via SMS. This service became very popular among youths in the Chiaia district, especially at night during the "movida" time, when young people like to go out. Law enforcement officers filed charges against the 20-year-old man after he received a SMS and was caught occupying a public parking space for one of his most devoted clients.

### Unemployment rises among young Italians

The Italian National Institute of Statistics (ISTAT) agency on Monday said the youth unemployment rate in Italy climbed to its highest rate in almost eight years, near 30 percent. The total number of unemployed people in Italy in September was 2.08 million. The Italian President Napolitano said youth unemployment is "central" to the social unrest in Italy.

### Lake Miseno in Bacoli gets a cleaning

A hundred volunteers cleaned up Lake Miseno in Bacoli on Nov. 1. They cleared the area of bulky materials, plastic, various types of spilled water, and also cleaned the banks of weeds, dead branches and bags scattered by vandals. The environment town councilor of Bacoli participated in the cleaning day, saying that the recovery of the area may be useful as a resource for tourism.

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

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- 4 **LEGAL ASSISTANCE** (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.) During these legal assistance appointments, an NLSO attorney can help with legal assistance services such as powers of attorney, immigration, consumer law, creditor/debtor issues, divorce, etc. Call 081-568-4576 to make an appointment.
- 4 **ADVANCED ICR: HISTORY AND POLITICS OF ITALY** (10 a.m.-12 p.m.) Learn about the past and present history and politics of Italy.
- 4 **YOUR INSURANCE NEEDS** (9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.) Are you covered if the unexpected happens? Learn about the different types of insurance available to be an informed and protected consumer.
- 7 **ADVANCED ICR: THINGS THAT MAKE NAPLES UNIQUE** (11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.) The famous specialties of Naples, such as pizza, caffè, espresso, the traditional and characteristic alleys, and more.....
- 7 **INTRODUCTION TO LOVE AND LOGIC PARENTING** (12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m.)
- 8 **STRESS MANAGEMENT** (8 - 10 a.m. at the Support Site Fit Forum) Yoga/Pilates to follow.
- 8, 15, 22 **EASY ITALIAN** (9 a.m. - 12 p.m.; Series of 3 Classes.) An introduction to basic Italian language and conversation.
- 8 **SAVING AND INVESTING** (9:30 - 11:30 a.m.) Did you know that even minimal monthly savings early in your career can result in hundreds of thousands of dollars by retirement? Learn easy ways to save money to help you meet your short and long term goals.
- 8 **EFFECTIVE RESUME WRITING** (Tue, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., SS FFSC) Having a difficult time creating your resume? This seminar provides a basic introduction to the design and purpose of a resume. Special attention is given to the federal employment resume.
- 9 **HOLIDAY BUDGETING** (9 - 10:30 a.m.; Capo theater) Would you like to enjoy the holiday season without stressing about money? This class will help you plan a holiday budget, identify hidden holiday costs particular to being overseas, and identify ways to save money so you can enjoy the holiday season.
- 9 **I/A DISCUSSION GROUP** (1 p.m. - 2 p.m.)
- 10 **OMBUDSMAN ASSEMBLY MEETING** (6 p.m. - 8 p.m.)
- 10 **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN NAPLES** (12:30 to 2:30 p.m.) Looking for a job in Naples? This educational session is great for spouses and family members who want to explore the various employment opportunities available in Naples.
- 10 **SHOPPING ON THE ECONOMY** (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.) Classroom session at Support Site FFSC. Trip to follow the next day (see below).
- 11 **SHOPPING ON THE ECONOMY** (8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Departs from JFC.) Practice how to shop for clothes, shoes, local food and more. Topics include how to ask for size, quantity, etc.

### UPCOMING GAETA EVENTS

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

- 4 **SMOOTH MOVE WORKSHOP** (9:30-10:30 a.m.) Learn about your moving allowances, household goods, utility closeouts, customs and more. You should attend this class four to five months before your PCS date.
- 7-10, 14 **AREA ORIENTATION/ICR SEMINAR** (5 days) Learn everything you need to know about setting up your home on the economy. Learn to use the phone, settle into your new home, and deal with emergencies and more. Seminar requires at least 5 confirmed participants or it will be cancelled.

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- 7 **WHAT ARE YOU THANKFUL FOR?** Join the Connect the Tots Club to get into the Thanksgiving spirit at 2:30 p.m. at the Support Site Fellowship Hall. Kids will be crafting pictures of things they are thankful for. To RSVP or FMI, visit [www.meetup.com/Connect-the-Tots-Club/](http://www.meetup.com/Connect-the-Tots-Club/)
- 7, 11, 14, 18, 21, 25 **CLEP/DSST TESTS** Make an appointment to take these tests at the National Test Center at Capo. Tests are free for military. Call 081-568-6673/6675.
- 8, 15, 22, 29 **DLPT LANGUAGE TEST** Contact the Navy College Office at [nco.naples@eu.navy.mil](mailto:nco.naples@eu.navy.mil) or 081-568-6683/6684/6678 for information on how to sign up for the DLPT tests. Open to all military services.
- 9 **FAMILY FITNESS NIGHT: ZUMBATOMIC** From 5 to 6 p.m., Naples Elementary School Students and their parents are invited to this workout filled with choreographed, kid-friendly routines and all the music kids love. At the Naples Elementary School gym.
- 10 **SWEET AND TREATS DANCE PARTY** Celebrate November birthday kids with members of the Connect the Tots Club at 10:30 a.m. at the Support Site Fellowship Hall.
- 10, 17, 24 **TUITION ASSISTANCE BRIEF** All Sailors using WEB Tuition Assistance for the first time are required to attend a WEB TA brief. The Nov. 3 and Nov. 17 briefings will be at 1 p.m.; the briefings on Nov. 10 and Nov. 24 will be at 9 a.m. Briefings are held at Capo in Admin II, room G-014. FMI, contact the Navy College Office at 081-568-6683/6684/6678.
- 13 **SURE FOUNDATION MINISTRIES** invites the community to a graduation ceremony at 1 p.m., where 18 members of the church will receive their associate's degrees from the International School of Ministry. Address: Via Santa Maria, 37, Lago Patria.
- 16-17 **SUICIDE PREVENTION WORKSHOP** Explore your experiences with and your attitudes about suicide. Better understand the needs of a person at risk of suicide and learn how to use suicide first-aid. Call the CREDO office at 081-568-5255 to attend.

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Italian construction contractors shovel away loose gravel in preparation for a new surface of asphalt to be placed on the road outside the Admin. III building at Naval Support Activity Naples Capodichino. The repaving is part of a multi-phase road-repaving project being conducted at Capodichino.

## Multi-month repaving project underway at Capodichino

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

Naval Support Activity Naples Public Works Department recently began a multi-phase road-repair project at the Capodichino base that will span several months and help keep the on-base roads serviceable. Beginning next week, the project will begin to affect larger, more populated traffic arteries on the base.

Starting Tuesday, paving will take place on the road circling the East Garage (the parking garage near the back gate) and the Child Development Center. This phase of the project will last through Nov. 30. Two more phases of the project will follow, with construction ending in January.

During the four phases of the repair project, military personnel and civilians will surely notice some distinct changes to their daily transit routine at Capodichino. Roads being repaved will be reduced to only one lane of traffic in certain areas, employing traffic lights and security personnel to keep the flow of traffic orderly. Street parking will be closed during each project phase.

Commuters into Capodichino should expect delays and plan their schedules accordingly, to ensure themselves plenty of time to get on and off the base.

"We're splitting up the phases of this project to help minimize the impact it has on Capodichino's day-to-day operations," said Lt. j.g. Eric Julius, a construction project manager for the Public Works Department who is helping oversee the project. "We'll be working to complete the project during the daylight hours, because it's more economical for everyone involved and it also ensures we can carry out our primary concern, which is safety."

Julius said that while none of the roads being repaved have caused any damage to vehicles driving on the base, regularly maintaining the surfaces of the roads will help provide better traction for the daily traffic flow,

as well as keeping them in good working condition.

"There's going to be a good team of security personnel helping us keep the traffic flow under control, so it's important that people are following their directions and the traffic patterns they will be coordinating," said Julius. "Everyone can help out by just anticipating delays, and not getting worked up about it. We'll be doing our best to minimize this, and as long as commuters follow the traffic patterns and take their time, things will run smoothly for everybody."

Vincent Iannucci, the repair project's safety manager, said that the safety of drivers as well as contractors working on the project is a top priority during the construction process.

"I hope that people are flexible and understand that in order to have such a beautiful base, there are certain sacrifices we have to make for a period of time with work like this," said Iannucci. "If we can all pay attention to what's going on around us as this work is being completed and we keep safety a priority, we'll have better roads to drive on in the years ahead."

Please contact the Public Works Department Full-Service Desk at 081-568-4981 if you have any questions or concerns regarding safety or vehicle access concerns.

### Capodichino paving activity this month

#### Phase B: Nov. 8 to Nov. 30

Paving during Phase B will cover the road circling the East Garage (near the back gate), the Child Development Center, the C4I building VIP parking lot, and the East Gate (back gate). Paving will be conducted on half of the road at a time to accommodate traffic flow.

The bus stop will shift to between the Child Development Center and the clinic, and ambulance staging will shift to the 15 minute parking zone. Reserved parking spots number 14 to 24 will shift from the flight line road to the East Garage (back gate garage), and C4I VIP parking spots numbers 0 to 6 and 8 to 13 will shift to the flight line road. The East Gate (back gate) will be closed for a four-day period during this phase. The East Parking Garage's traffic pattern will shift to two-way access from the south entrance for three days while the north entrance is paved.



Kristine Avendano, right, and CE3 Tricky Legaspi, left, inspect steel L-brackets at the Energy Solar Photovoltaic job site at Capodichino. Legaspi has been the Naples Installation Assistant Energy Manager for the past two years, and Avendano has been managing Region Europe, Africa, Southwest Asia's energy usage for the past two years. Their work has helped NSA Naples and Region Europe, Africa, Southwest Asia accomplish many energy efficiency objectives.

## NSA Naples, region reduce energy use

From the NSA Naples and  
Region EURAFSWA Energy Management team

Since 2009, Naval Support Activity Naples and the other five installations in Navy Region Europe, Africa, Southwest Asia have increased their efforts to reduce energy use, and it is beginning to pay off. As last month's Energy Awareness Month campaigns came to a close, region and installation energy managers could all take pride in their accomplishments the past few years. These accomplishments include:

- Continued reduction in energy and water usage since 2009, including a 2 percent energy reduction from 2010 and an 8 percent energy intensity reduction;
- Reduction in the cost the region pays for these utility commodities (3 percent reduction from 2010);
- Continued acquirement of new energy projects, like Solar Photovoltaic Carports and

Solar Hot Water Systems installed throughout the region;

- Most importantly, getting the good word of "Energy Awareness" out to the rest of the region's population, encouraging people to turn off lights when not in use, and turn off or down heating or cooling when not needed.

These are indeed significant accomplishments — so significant that Naval Base Souda Bay won the Secretary of the Navy's Annual Energy Award this past year for Small Shore Installations.

Central to the success of these efforts have been CE3 Tricky Legaspi, the Naples Installation Assistant Energy Manager, and Kristine Avendano, who has been managing the Region's energy usage for the past two years. Their dedication to raising awareness about energy consumption has helped NSA Naples and Region Europe, Africa, Southwest Asia reach many of its energy efficiency goals.

### A message from the chaplain

## Rewards that last

By Chaplain Hester



Chaplain Hester, LCDR, is Deputy Director of CREDO EURAFSWA, and is an ordained minister in the Evangelical Association of Reformed and Congregational Christian Churches.

Back in 2008, it was difficult not to be impressed with Michael Phelps, an Olympic swimmer, who won eight gold medals and achieved seven world records. (Actually, he holds 14 gold medals when you include the ones that he won back in the 2004 Olympics.) Obviously, he trained very hard for years and his efforts had finally paid off. Definitely impressive!

But when interviewed at that time, he remarked quite casually that records are meant to be broken, and acknowledged that one day someone would even break his. Even an Olympian gold-medalist knows that certain types of rewards (or awards) are fleeting in the end.

Indeed, in the original Grecian Olympics from about 2,000 years ago, the athletes did not compete for gold, silver, or bronze medals — but rather for a simple olive branch or a crown made from olive leaves that within days would become withered and soon discarded by the victors themselves. The ancient Greeks — philosophers that they were — understood that certain types of rewards had only a temporal value. They did not try to fool themselves into thinking that their accomplishments were any more important than they really were.

But there were and are such things as eternal rewards — ones that will actually last. In the Christian tradition, Jesus speaks of laying up for ourselves "treasures in heaven" instead of on earth (*Matthew 6: 19-21, New International Version*) and the apostle Paul, who was certainly familiar with (and possibly even attended) the Olympic Games of his day, talks about striving for eternal "crowns" instead of merely temporary ones (*1 Corinthians 9: 24-27*). What are these eternal treasures or crowns that are being spoken of?

There may be a number of answers here, but one that makes sense includes the enduring quality of a person's character and the positive influence that it can have upon the lives of others. Consider, for instance, the lives of those persons or "saints" that may have made a positive difference for you.

Indeed, character can be far-reaching, even beyond our wildest expectations. As a Chinese proverb puts it:

*If there is righteousness in the heart,  
there will be beauty in character;  
If there is beauty in character,  
there will be harmony in the home;  
If there is harmony in the home,  
there will be order in the nation;  
If there is order in the nation,  
there will be peace in the world.*

Like preparing for the Olympics, character development involves proactive and conscious choices, a lifetime of training, and a variety of moral and spiritual disciplines. If so, then what are you doing about getting righteousness into your heart? What are you doing to form beauty in your character? What are you doing that has lasting value or gains victory in your life? Your answers to these questions are important because they ultimately affect you, your family, your command, and even your world — and have to do with things that actually last!



The Navy Exchange is reporting a rise in thefts by price switching, where thieves swap an item's packaging or its price tag to avoid paying full price. (Photo illustration by MC2 Jeff Troutman)

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Goodman said that video and electronic surveillance systems and a team of trained loss prevention professionals help keep thefts at the Naples Navy Exchange to a minimum.

Those who do try to steal from the Navy Exchange — either by price-switching or other methods — face harsh consequences. Disciplinary actions may include the loss of all Navy Exchange privileges, a \$200 civil demand, a possible reduction in rate or

rank, a loss of security clearances and, in some cases, an early return to the United States. In the worst case scenario, an offender will be released from active duty.

Additionally, all offenders are also entered into a database, which becomes part of their permanent record and follows them wherever they go.

“When offenders are caught, regardless of whether they are active duty, dependents or other (types of individuals), they are held accountable for their actions,” Goodman said. “Offenders need to ask themselves: is a bogus discount worth it?”

## NEX rewards students with its A-OK Student Reward Program

By Kristine M. Sturkie  
NEXCOM Public Affairs Officer

The Navy Exchange wants to help its customers pay for their children's college education through its A-OK Student Reward Program. Four times per school year, four students will be the recipients of a \$5,000, \$3,000 \$2,000 or \$1,000 U.S. savings bond, denominations at maturity.

The next drawing will be held at the end of November 2011. The deadline for entries is the third week of November.

Any eligible full-time student that has a B-grade point average equivalent or better, as determined by their school system, may enter the drawing. Eligible students include dependent children of active duty military members, reservists and military retirees enrolled in first through 12th grade. Dependent children without an individual Dependent Identification Card must be accompanied by their sponsor to submit their entry. Each student may enter only once each grading period and must re-enter with each qualifying report card.

To enter the drawing, stop by

any NEX with a current report card and have a NEX associate verify the minimum grade average. Then fill out an entry card and obtain an A-OK ID, which entitles the student to discount coupons for NEX products and services.

The Navy Exchange Service Command (NEXCOM) has been offering students a chance to win a savings bond through its A-OK Student Reward Program since 1997. Since the program began, NEXCOM has awarded \$504,000 in savings bonds with the help of its generous vendor partners.

## NEX and Commissary: who has access?

By Panorama staff

Beyond American service members and their families, the Navy Exchange and Commissary in Naples serve a customer base that includes many foreign nationals, including military personnel from NATO countries assigned to Joint Force Command (JFC) Naples.

An international agreement permits military members of NATO countries assigned to JFC Naples to enjoy tax-free shopping. There are currently 22 NATO nations who participate in operations at JFC Naples, both as assets of JFC Naples and the national support elements that assist them. There are also approximately 200 international civilians from various NATO countries that work at JFC Naples in support of military operations. They also have tax-free shopping privileges.

Additionally, all customer assistance employees at both facilities are Italian.

Therefore, any customer at the Navy Exchange or Commissary in Naples is going to see foreign nationals and hear a variety of foreign languages, said Lt. Jonathan Blazek, Naval Support Activity (NSA) Naples Staff Judge Advocate.

“By international agreement, we are required to hire a certain percentage of our workforce from the local population,” Blazek said. “Hearing foreign languages or seeing individuals of foreign descent in the Navy Exchange and Commissary is part of life in Naples. These facts alone do not support the assumption that access controls at these facilities are lax. In fact, Naval Support Activity Naples is extremely diligent in abiding by its international agreements to ensure only authorized patrons are enjoying the benefits of tax-free shopping.”

The Navy Exchange and Commissary both have 100 percent I.D. checks to enter the store, and require identification at the check-out lane. All extraordinary requests for base access and tax-free shopping are reviewed by the installation's lawyers and commanding officer.

“Given these safeguards, we are comfortable with the operation of our tax-free program,” Blazek said.

## PUNISHABLE ACTS OF THEFT

From the Navy Exchange

Below are four common types of price alterations which have occurred at the Navy Exchange here in Naples and in other locations. All are considered theft in the eyes of the U.S. military and civil authorities, and could result in loss of Navy Exchange privileges, a \$200 civil demand, demotion, or release from active duty. Offenders will also be placed into a database, which will become part of their permanent record.

### Package Switcher

Customer switches the contents of two boxes with similar merchandise (shoebbox, perfume, cosmetics).  
*Example:* Customer puts \$100 shoes inside a \$20 shoebbox.

### Tag Switcher

Customer switches price tags.  
*Example:* Customer removes and discards \$50 price tag and replaces it with a \$10 tag from a different garment.

### Price Adjuster

Customer adds a "clearance" sticker to the original bar code.  
*Example:* Customer peels off a red clearance sticker from a garment and placed the sticker on the item they desire. The cashier makes the price adjustment at the register.

*Example:* Customer uses a price gun left unattended. The cashier does a price adjustment at the register.

### The Refunder

Customer returns merchandise which was purchased at a lower price for full value.

*Example:* Customer purchases clearance or sale merchandise at \$10 and returns the items with no receipt for the regular full price of \$20.

*Example:* Customer switched the price from an example above and returns the item with no receipt for full value.

*Example:* Customer returns bogus merchandise using original box, packaging and receipt from previous purchase. Customer gets full refund and has original merchandise at home.

**If you are the victim of a crime,  
report the incident to Security  
Dispatch at 081-568-5638.**



Above: Students and teachers from two Italian schools joined the Spooktacular festivities at Carney Park Oct. 28. They were invited by Teresa Merola, community relations specialist for NSA Naples. (Photo by Teresa Merola)  
 Right: A fire-breather entertains guests at the Spooktacular. (Photo by Teresa Merola)



Children dressed in costume to collect goodies Halloween Night during trick-or-treating and at the USO Fright Fest at the Support Site. (Photo by Laura Byrd)

## Halloween events thrill Naples community

From Panorama staff

Naval Support Activity Naples celebrated Halloween this past week with haunted houses, trick-or-treating and plenty of fun-filled events.

Last Friday, Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) put on the Spooktacular at Carney Park, which featured a haunted house, movies, spooky cabin decorations and food booths.

Then, the USO held its Fright Fest on Halloween night, where children and parents enjoyed activities such as Halloween games, face painting and a costume contest.

Also Halloween night, children and parents roamed the Support Site trick-or-treating from 6 to 9 p.m.



The Spooktacular festivities included a contest to decorate cabins at Carney Park. (Photo by Laura Byrd)



Above: Adults and children alike got into the Halloween spirit during the USO Fright Fest at the Support Site Halloween night. (Photo by Laura Byrd)



Right: A scary clown frightens visitors at the Spooktacular's haunted house. (Photo by Laura Byrd)

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- 16 TEDDY BEAR TEA PARTY** Join members of the Connect the Tots Club at 10 a.m. at the Support Site Fellowship Hall. Grab your favorite bear and come to our tea party! Sandwiches, snacks and drinks will be served! FMI, visit [www.meetup.com/Connect-the-Tots-Club/](http://www.meetup.com/Connect-the-Tots-Club/)
- 17 CONNECT THE TOTS CLUB COFFEE TALK** Join members of the Connect the Tots Club at 10 a.m. at the NEX café in the food court (new location). Kids can play on the rides and games.
- 17 MONTHLY BABY BASICS CLASS** offered by Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society visiting nurses from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. The course is in the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Office at Capo, Admin II, Room G-016. Topics include newborn care (i.e. bundling, diapering & bathing); feeding, crying and comforting; health and safety, etc. Contact NCMRS at 081-568-3913 to register.
- 18 ACT TEST.** Call or visit the Navy College Office at Capo (Admin II, main floor) for an appointment. DSN: 626-6683/6684/6678 or [ncn.naples@eu.navy.mil](mailto:ncn.naples@eu.navy.mil).
- 18 SAT TEST Plan ahead.** Sailors, if you are looking at the Fiscal Year 2012 STA-21 program, take the SAT test now. Test scores arrive Naples 6 to 8 weeks after the test date. Testing starts at 7:45 a.m. Make an appointment with the Navy College Office by calling 626-6683/6684/6678.
- 18 PRAXIS TEST REGISTRATION** The last day to register for the Jan. 28, 2012, PRAXIS test session is Nov. 18. Call or visit the Navy College Office for more information on how to register.
- 19 UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY BALL** will be celebrated at Ristorante La Lanterna, Villaricca, Napoli. Attire for Marines: Evening Dress "B" or Blue Dress "A," Army: Army Blue (bow tie), Navy: Dinner Dress Blue Jacket or Dinner Dress Blue, Air Force: Mess Dress, Civilians: Black Tie. Cocktail hour begins at 6 p.m. For tickets, contact Lt. Col. Comunale at DSN: 314 626 1771 or [Chad.Comunale@eu.navy.mil](mailto:Chad.Comunale@eu.navy.mil).
- 23 CISSP Test.** The Navy College Office will administer the CISSP test on Nov. 21. You must have a government issued ID to take the test. Candidates must register for the test on-line.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- THE MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL PTSA** is seeking an Asian Auction Coordinator. This is a very important position and critical to the school's fundraising success. The PTSA is also seeking a Treasurer—no experience necessary. For more information, contact [NHSPTSA@gmail.com](mailto:NHSPTSA@gmail.com).
- 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 [breese@cybernet.it](mailto:breese@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](mailto:nalexander@afsouth.nato.int).
- NAPLES HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC BOOSTERS** needs volunteers. If you're looking for a way to make a positive impact in our community, then this is your opportunity. You don't need any special musical talent, just the desire to help! Contact Matt Ukleja at [matthewukleja@gmail.com](mailto:matthewukleja@gmail.com).
- 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](mailto:naplesgs@yahoo.com).

### ONGOING/ON THE HORIZON

- SECURITY NOTE:** All DoD military or civilian personnel hosting an event off base must complete a Special Event Force Protection Plan (SEFP) 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 in the Support Site Chapel. For more information, e-mail [CWOCNaples@gmail.com](mailto:CWOCNaples@gmail.com).
- PROTESTANT WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL** PWOC Woman's Bible Study meets every Tuesday from 9-11:30am in the Support Site Fellowship Hall. Free child care provided. For questions, contact Audrey de Rivera at 345-872-9947.
- 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 chapel.
- 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](mailto:christian.rodriguez@eu.navy.mil), Catherine Katimbang at [catherine.katimbang@eu.dodea.edu](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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@sulfurcreek.com](mailto:dennis@sulfurcreek.com).
- SAIL WITH THE NAPLES NATO YACHT CLUB (NNYC) AMERICAN TEAM.** We are looking for Americans interested in participating in dinghy races sailed at the NNYC facilities on the island of Nisida. Experience not required. FMI, contact Kate Royal at [kathryn.royal@gmail.com](mailto:kathryn.royal@gmail.com).



- Friday, Nov. 4**
- 4:30 p.m. Puss in Boots, PG  
*Premiere Showing*
- 7 p.m. Shark Night  
PG-13
- 8 p.m. Don't Be Afraid of the Dark, R  
*Premiere Showing*
- Saturday, Nov. 5**
- Noon Puss in Boots, PG
- 3 p.m. Footloose, PG-13
- 4 p.m. Colombiana  
PG-13
- 5:30 p.m. I Don't Know How She Does It, PG-13  
*Premiere Showing*
- 7 p.m. Our Idiot Brother, R
- 8 p.m. Drive, R
- Sunday, Nov. 6**
- 3 p.m. I Don't Know How She Does It, PG-13
- 5:30 p.m. Puss in Boots, PG
- 8 p.m. Don't Be Afraid of the Dark, R
- Monday, Nov. 7**
- 4:30 p.m. Warrior, PG-13
- 5:30 p.m. I Am Number 4, PG-13  
*Free Admission*
- 7 p.m. Drive, R
- Tuesday, Nov. 8**
- 4:30 p.m. Puss in Boots, PG
- 5:30 p.m. 27 Dresses, PG-13  
*Free Admission*
- 7 p.m. Don't Be Afraid of the Dark, R
- Wednesday, Nov. 9**
- 4:30 p.m. Contagion, PG-13
- 7 p.m. Our Idiot Brother R,  
*Last Showing*
- Thursday, 10 November**
- 4:30 p.m. Colombiana, PG-13  
*Last Showing*
- 7 p.m. I Don't Know How She Does It, PG-13
- Friday, Nov. 11**  
**VETERANS DAY**
- 3 p.m. I Don't Know How She Does It, PG-13
- 5:30 p.m. Puss in Boots, PG
- 8 p.m. Killer Elite, R  
*Premiere Showing*



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### USO DAILY TOURS

- Nov. 4 Afternoon in Pompeii . . . €45
- Nov. 5 Novello Wine and Chestnuts . . . €20
- Nov. 6 Eat, Pray, Love Naples Tour . . . €35
- Nov. 11 Mt. Vesuvius Observatory and Lunch . . . €40
- Nov. 12 Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel . . . €77
- Nov. 13 Città della Scienza (Science City) . . . €25

### WEEKEND TOURS

- Nov. 4 Veteran's Day in Tuscany . . . €283
- Dec. 2-3 Motor show in Bologna . . . €205
- Dec. 15-19 Christmas markets in Northern Italy . . . €329
- Dec. 30-Jan. 2 New Year's in Budapest . . . €478

## Movie descriptions

No Children Under 10  
Admitted to R-Rated Movies

**DON'T BE AFRAID OF THE DARK**, R for violence and terror. Suspense/Horror, Thriller and Remake, 100 min. Cast: Katie Holmes, Guy Pearce, Bailee Madison. Introverted Sally Hurst has just moved in with her father Alex and his girlfriend Kim when she realizes that their sprawling estate holds its fair share of secrets. Descending to the depths of the house, Sally gains access to a secret lower level that has lain undisturbed since nearly a century ago, when the original builder vanished without a trace. When Sally accidentally opens the gateway that kept the creatures locked up tight, she realizes that in order to prevent them from destroying her family, she must convince her skeptical father that monsters really exist.

**PUSS IN BOOTS**, PG. Action/Adventure, Animation, Comedy and Science Fiction/Fantasy, 90 min. Cast: Antonio Banderas, Salma Hayek, Zack Galifianakis, Billy Bob Thornton, Amy Sedaris. Way before Puss ever met Shrek, our suave and furry feline hero goes on a swashbuckling ride as he teams with mastermind Humpty Dumpty and the street-savvy Kitty to steal the famed Goose that lays the Golden Eggs.

**CONTAGION**, PG-13 for disturbing content and some

language. Action/Adventure, 102 min. Cast: Matt Damon, Marion Cotillard, Gwyneth Paltrow, Bryan Cranston, Kate Winslet. The worldwide medical community races to find a cure to a deadly epidemic and control the panic that spreads faster than the virus itself.

**I DON'T KNOW HOW SHE DOES IT**, PG-13 for sexual references throughout. Comedy and Drama, 90 min. Cast: Sara Jessica Parker, Pierce Brosnan, Greg Kinnear, Christina Hendricks, Kelsey Grammer. Kate Reddy devotes her days to her job with a Boston-based financial management firm. At night she goes home to her adoring, recently-downsized architect husband Richard and their two young children. It's a non-stop balancing act, the same one that Kate's acerbic best friend and fellow working mother Allison performs on a daily basis, and that Kate's super-brainy, child-phobic young junior associate Momo fully intends to avoid. When Kate gets handed a major new account that will require frequent trips to New York, Richard also wins the new job he's been hoping for — and both will be spreading themselves even thinner. Complicating matters is Kate's charming new business associate Jack Abelhammer, who begins to prove an unexpected source of temptation.

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.

### LIBYA

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JFC Naples has served as the operational headquarters for Operation Unified Protector since it began in March, when the United Nations Security Council authorized military intervention to protect civilians under threat of attack in Libya. U.N. resolutions called for the enforcement of an arms embargo and a no-fly zone, as well as the protection of civilians from the regime of dictator Moammar Gadhafi.

Gadhafi's death at the hands of opposition forces Oct. 20 preceded NATO's military exit from Libya Oct. 31.

In an Oct. 28 speech confirming NATO's exit plans, NATO Secretary General Anders Fogh Rasmussen called Operation Unified Protector "one of the most successful in NATO history."

"I want to thank our commanders and our servicemen and women for conducting this mission so well, so carefully and with such dedication," Rasmussen said. "We launched this complex

operation faster than ever before. We conducted it effectively, flexibly and precisely with many partners from around the region and beyond. And we are concluding it in a considered and controlled manner."

He credited the Libyan people with liberating their country and paving the way for a new, democratic Libya.

"Libyans have now liberated their country, and they have transformed the region," Rasmussen said. "This is their victory."

## 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.

## Plan your holiday budget with the Fleet and Family Support Center

By MCI Denise Alford,  
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Financial experts would agree that most people spend more money during the holidays than any other time of the year.

The Naples Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) wants to help service members and their families avoid holiday debt this year.

The FFSC is offering a holiday budgeting course at Capodichino from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Nov. 9 to help families plan for the holidays without added financial stress.

"The holidays can be a stressful time when people are trying to create the perfect holiday and balance their spending," said Bethany Franz, FFSC Personal Financial Management Specialist.

Military families live in unique situations, with deployments and frequent moves. Living overseas creates more expenses due to travel and the increased cost of living. A budget plan, especially during the holiday season, is helpful because it allows families to identify how much money to spend as well as where and how to spend the money, Franz said.

"All families can identify ways to save during the holidays. Memories of holiday traditions usually last longer than any gift," said Franz.

The intent of the holiday budgeting class is to show families the exact amount of money they can spend as well as point out the various hidden holiday costs that can impact their budget, she said.

"Families should identify how much they can spend during the holidays while trying to avoid adding to debt with credit cards," said Franz. "The class advises families to purchase everything with cash to avoid putting extra purchases on credit cards that will need to be paid after the holidays."

If you are interested in attending the course, call the FFSC at 081-811-6372 to sign up. Registration is required in order to ensure there are enough materials available. The class will be held Nov. 9 at the Capodichino Theater and will be offered on Nov. 17 and Dec. 5 at the Support Site.

There will also be a class titled "Developing Your Spending Plan" immediately following each of the holiday budgeting classes.



The Naval Support Activity Naples Public Works Department (PWD) has begun adding electric vehicles into its fleet as per President Barack Obama's energy conservation policy. The electric cars are an effort to cut energy costs and prevent harmful emissions from entering the atmosphere.

## NSA Naples debuts electric cars

Story and photo by MCSA Erik Luebke,  
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Naval Support Activity (NSA) Naples Public Works Department recently introduced electric-powered maintenance vehicles into its fleet as a means to conserve energy and cut fuel consumption.

Public works officials said that President Barack Obama's current energy policy is the reason for the change. "We have to cut 50 percent of our energy consumption based on a baseline of 2009, and it has to be done by the year 2015," said Kym Scott, the base support vehicle and equipment branch head. "At one time, those of us stationed overseas were exempt from this policy, but that's not the case

anymore."

Beginning this year, General Services Administration overseas has purchased two types of alternate fuel vehicles, Scott said.

Public Works currently has 44 vehicles at its disposal, and 11 of them currently run on electrical energy sources, she said.

"They're perfect. There's no difference except they are quieter," Scott said. "They have the same capacity for hauling and there's no difference in performance. Once fully charged, the vehicle can go 80 kilometers before it needs to be recharged."

The other kind of alternate fuel vehicle that was recently purchased runs on liquid petroleum gas, said Dino Cirelli, the base support vehicle and equipment branch

head.

"While not as efficient as natural gas, it is more readily accessible in Italy," Cirelli said.

The new electric-powered cars are lighter, which requires less energy for them to function, without losing the capacity to carry heavier loads.

"Our current vehicle's natural gas tanks are really heavy, so the electric-vehicles eliminate this extra weight," Cirelli said.

Overall, the new vehicles will help NSA Naples reach its goal of reducing its fuel consumption and pollution, Scott said.

"The amount of pollution that is released into the air is decreased with every electric car we buy," Scott said.

For more information, visit <http://dodenergy.blogspot.com/>.

# Blackouts coming to Support Site

Support Site residents will experience two separate power outages in the coming weeks due to annual preventative maintenance on electrical substation transformers.

All residents will lose power on Saturday, Nov. 19 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Each building will also experience another outage sometime between Nov. 14 and Dec. 20, with the specific date varying from building to building. Public Works will hand-distribute notices to cus-

tomers informing them of when their outage will occur. The full schedule of outages is also available at [www.cnic.navy.mil/Naples/CNIPC\\_A278690](http://www.cnic.navy.mil/Naples/CNIPC_A278690).

Residents should note that they may experience short fluctuations in power (approximately 10 minutes in length) on days that their building is not scheduled for maintenance.

Due to battery back-up capability, all facility and housing life safety systems will function normally.

## Job fair highlights opportunities in Naples

Story and photo by MCI Edward Vasquez,  
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The Naval Support Activity (NSA) Naples Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC) held a job fair Wednesday promoting employment and volunteer opportunities with local base organizations.

"This is a job fair for military family members," said Tammy Metcalf, instructor at FFSC. "It is very important because there are numerous family members looking for jobs."

Events like the job fair help military spouses in the Naples area gain awareness of what's going on in their local community.

"I've been doing this for 16 years and events like these real-



Representatives from Morale, Welfare and Recreation talk to a military spouse about job opportunities at Wednesday's Job Fair held by the Fleet and Family Support Center (FFSC).

ly help," said Alicia Sinclair, military spouse. "The military supported a program like this at my last base and I'm glad they're doing it here, too."

Representatives from several different organizations attended the job fair, including Morale, Welfare and Recreation, Navy Federal Credit Union and

Naples Elementary School.

The FFSC offers many different services to help military spouses and service members get settled in the Naples area. For more information on opportunities with the FFSC, visit [www.cnic.navy.mil/Naples/FleetAndFamilyReadiness/SupportServices](http://www.cnic.navy.mil/Naples/FleetAndFamilyReadiness/SupportServices).

## NSA Naples celebrates Military Family Month

By MC3 Caitlin Conroy, Navy Public Affairs Support  
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November is Military Family Month, and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (MWR) and the USO are celebrating with a variety of events to show appreciation for service members and their families.

To celebrate Military Family Month, Naval Support Activity (NSA) Naples MWR and USO Naples have planned several events at Capodichino, the Support Site and Carney Park.

Events scheduled include a glow-in-the-dark family 'Sportapalooza' at Carney Park, special story times for pre-school children at the MWR Support Site library, a USO 'Thanks-Filled' bingo event at Naples High School, and discounts for families at the Fairways Bar and Grill and Striker's Bowling Alley.

"We are very happy to be providing these services," said Amber Vlangas, MWR marketing director. "MWR looks at the entire family as one unit, so the more we provide for the families the better we can contribute to fleet readiness."

Family bonfire night, to be held at Carney Park tonight from 7 to 10 p.m., is the first event of Military Family Month in Naples.

"The family bonfire night is a great opportunity, especially for new families who have just arrived to Naples," said Vlangas. "It gives them an opportunity to meet other families and to enjoy a nice evening out

under the stars."

The USO Naples "Thanks-Filled" bingo event, scheduled for Nov. 13 from 3:30 to 6 p.m. at the Naples High School cafeteria, promises to be as entertaining as previous years.

"Our 'Thanks-Filled' bingo event last year was attended by over 250 families," said Luisa Mazzella, USO Naples operations manager "This particular program gives military families the opportunity to enjoy a fun and relaxed Sunday afternoon where they can make new friends and take home valuable prizes, all free of charge. This is the USO's way of thanking our service members and their families for their sacrifices."

Military Family Month was first established in 1993 by the Armed Services YMCA. In 2009, President Barack Obama proclaimed November as official Military Family Month, encouraging all Americans to support military families through private actions and public service for the contributions and sacrifices they make.

For more information about MWR events during Military Family Month, visit the MWR Facebook site at <https://www.facebook.com/mwrnaples?sk=wall>, or check the "Things to Do" section of the NSA Naples website under the Fleet and Family Readiness menu. For more information about USO events, visit the USO Naples website at [naples.uso.it](http://naples.uso.it) or call the USO Naples at 081-568-5713 or 081-811-4903.

## Apply for Family Support and Youth Programs funds

By Master Chief Charles Collins, NSA Naples Command Master Chief

Family Support and Youth Programs (FSYP) is soliciting organizations that would be interested in the funds raised via the Combined Federal Campaign. These funds are to improve the quality of life at overseas military installations. These are neither appropriated nor non-appropriated funds and may be used at the discretion of the installation commander to enhance FYSP. Organizations may solicit the FYSP committee for funds with the application enclosed in NAV-SUPPACT NAPLES INST 7280.1, which is accessible via the CNIC website. Applications for the funds must be forwarded to Command Master Chief Charles Collins no later than 4 p.m. Dec. 5 for consideration by the FYSP committee. Requirements for consideration include, but are not limited to, validity of need, widest impact on the community and whether or not other funding sources are available.

Funds cannot be used for items that may appear to be extravagant, such as travel, lodging or food expenses, end of year and seasonal functions, scholarships, gifts, facilities or meeting spaces, Sailor of the Year/Quarter, retirement or welcome aboard programs.



## NAPLES TIGER SHARKS ATTACK AT HOME

By Lourdes Krause, Naples Tiger Sharks Publicity

The Naples Tiger Sharks held their first home meet of the season on Sunday, Oct. 23. Despite high hopes that the Capodichino pool would be ready in time for the first meet of the year, the Tiger Sharks had to find an alternate facility for the competition. Luckily, the Sporting Club Flegreo in Pozzuoli was available. Naples hosted fellow Southern Division teams the Sigonella Swordfish, the Aviano Sea Dragons, and the Vicenza Mako Sharks. The Tiger Sharks' home team advantage helped them sweep the competition: final scores were Naples 917, Sigonella 454, Vicenza 132, and Aviano 34.

Swimmer of the Meet was awarded to 10-year-old Mattison Boveri. Matti placed first in all of her events and dropped time in each successive event. Other Naples first place finishers included Danielle Cutler (age 10), Ariana Lewis (age 11), Alexandra Hammer (age 15), Isabel Krause (age 16), and senior co-captain Jane Saunders (age 17). The male first place finishers were Devon Durig (age 8), Luke Patterson (age 8), Kim Srun (age 12), John Thibodeau (age 16), and Jonathon Higgins (age 18).

The following swimmers cinched at least two first-place finishes, earning the team 8 points for each first-place finish: Kendall Ewing (age 9), Jacob Gray (age 13), Adam Hammer (age 17), sisters Emily Patterson (age 11) and Maura Patterson (age 13), Carly Sharp (age 10), Tidawee Srun (age 8) and Harley Williams (age 14).

Other players tallied up many points for the team by earning at least one first-place finish in their individual events. They were Bret Baldwin (age 14), Mackenzie Boveri (age 8), Brian Casler (age 10), Jake Coutino (age 17), Alexis Cutler (age 13), Donavan Durig (age 13), Jerra Ewing (age 12), Kieran Gyles (age 8), Victoria Krause (age 14), Gretchen Moulton (age 12), co-captain Berkay Payal (age 16), Scott Rustenhaven (age 12), Nick Sherer (age 10), Timothy Smith (age 11), Matthew Vick (age 14), Hunter Williams (age 12), and Billy Yeager (age 11).

The team earns six points for each second place finish. The following folks racked up big points for Naples with one or more second place finishes: Zachary Boveri (age 12), Shannon Cutler (age 10), sisters Kylie Dodge (age 12) and Morgan Dodge (age 16), Dorian Durig (age 10), Liam Gyles (age 13), John Moulton (age 16), Jake Peterson (age 8), Caitlin Quirk (age 11), Marshall Saunders (age 14), Lindsey Sharp (age 8), and Sofia VanMierlo (age 9). Great job swimmers — every point counts!

The following swimmers set new personal bests or swam events for the first time, challenging and improving their versatility in the pool: Delaney Brenner (age 7), AnnaLynn Morris (age 8), Lachlan Sims (age 12), Cecilia Vick (age 8), and siblings Lily Weitzman (age 10) and Sam Weitzman (age 15). Keep up the great work!

Although the Tiger Sharks were new to this pool, many swimmers dropped serious time on their events with superb underwater work and expert flip turns. Francesca Hammer (age 9) and Patrick Darby (age 11) were the "biggest losers" of the meet. The following swimmers also dropped time in their events, getting faster as the meet progressed: Blythe Brenner (age 9), Michael Casler (age 9), Seamus Gyles (age 9), Ross Hsu (age 16), Christian Krause (age 11), Gavin Moulton (age 13), Sam Murdock (age 15), Case Newberry (age 11), Braden Peterson (age 11), brothers John Sherer (age 12) and Noah Sherer (age 9), Anya Vick (10), and seven-year-old Nicole Yeager.

During Veterans Day weekend, the Tiger Sharks will travel to Lignano, Italy for a meet hosted by Aviano on Friday, with the European Forces Swim League (EFSL) Long Distance Championships to follow Saturday. Good luck, Tiger Sharks!

# Wildcats Sports

## Naples girls' volleyball wins Italy title

By Shannon Walsh

The Lady Wildcats volleyball team claimed the title of the American Schools in Italy League (ASIL) Champions last weekend after defeating Florence.

After splitting matches last week versus Aviano, the Wildcats were determined to finish the regular season strong. The first match scores were 25-11, 25-22, 25-20.

Sophomore Victoria Krause ended the night with a total of 10 kills. Following close behind was senior Courtney Plante with 6 kills. Fellow senior Katie Waller brought the fire with 30 assists. Sophomore Allyson Meron served up 5 aces.

The second match lasted longer than the previous night's, but the Lady Wildcats still added another victory while celebrating the six seniors at their final home game. The scores were 25-20, 25-15, 23-25 and 25-12. Strong defense from Plante with 13 digs made Florence work hard to hit the holes. Senior Giovanna Trigg proved to be lethal with 11 kills and 8 aces.

The Wildcats ended the season on a high note with a final record of 13-1. They are looking forward to competing in the



The Naples High School Girls' Volleyball team became the American Schools in Italy League (ASIL) champions after defeating Florence last weekend. (Photo by Valerie Cariello)

European Championship in Ramstein, Germany this weekend as the number-one seed. They deserve and expect nothing less than a first place finish to top off an amazing season.

## Naples cross country wins championship

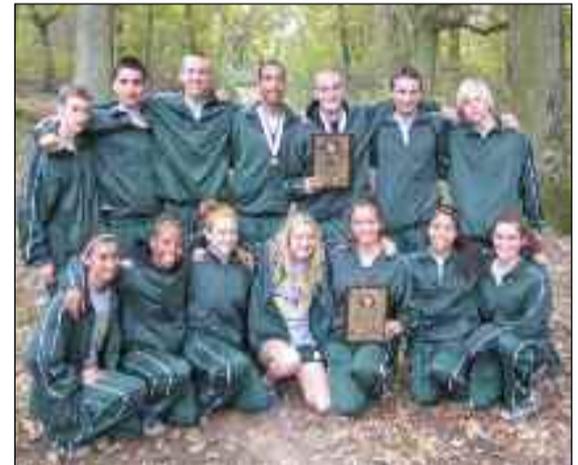
Story and photo by Evelyn Locatelli

This past weekend the Naples Cross Country Team took its top seven male and top seven female runners to Heidelberg, Germany for the Department of Defense Schools (DoDDs) European Cross Country Championship. In the end, the Naples High School Cross Country Team finished with an undefeated season, earning the title of Division II Champions.

A few other Division II schools that also competed for the title of European Champions were Vicenza High School, Black Forest Academy, Marymount International, Ansbach High School, and Aviano High School.

Naples sent Alex Mack, Kelsey Ortwein, Isabella Lucy, Alexis Cutler, Destiny Mora, Amber Sheline, and captain Jordan Kim to compete in this year's European Championship. Sophomore Isabella Lucy was in the lead for Naples for most of the race, making sure to catch as many Division II competitors as possible. Lucy ran a personal best time of 21:43. Alex Mack came in first for Naples and ranked in the top 25 of nearly 175 girls competing, placing second in Division II overall. Amber Sheline ran a time of 22:48 to place third for Naples and 10th in Division II, followed by Alexis Cutler (23:21), 15th in the division, and Jordan Kim (23:40), who placed 19th in Division II. Destiny Mora (23:50) and Kelsey Ortwein (25:48) sealed the win for Naples, beating the Aviano High School Saints to come in 21st and 33rd for Division II. The average time of Naples' runners in the girl's race was 22:37; Naples beat the runner up for Division II European Champions by only one point. All of the girls ran exceptionally and it was only because of each and every one of their efforts that Naples was able to bring home a first place plaque.

For the boys, Naples sent captain John Fain, Cullen Harper, DJ Stockman, Ricky Sizemore, Bret Baldwin, Brad Bonnema, and Hunter Christian to the European Championship. John Fain maintained a 5:10 mile pace for more than half the race and was able to place second overall, making him an individual European medalist. Fain was also first in his division. The



The Naples Cross Country team won the title of Division II champions after competing at the European Cross Country Championship in Heidelberg, Germany last weekend.

average time for Naples runners in the boy's race was 18:24. Sophomore and first year runner DJ Stockman also ran well, with a time of 17:06 making him Naples' only other top individual European medalist. Stockman placed fifth overall and second in his division. Even though it was his first year on the team, Ricky Sizemore finished seventh in Division II with a time of 18:32. Brad Bonnema ran a time of 19:46 to finish 20th in his division, and was followed by Cullen Harper (19:49) who earned the spot of 21st in Division II. First-year runner Bret Baldwin and Freshman Hunter Christian rounded out the top seven for Naples with their impressive times of 20:12 and 20:18, finishing 27th and 28th for their division. Every runner worked tirelessly to improve their times during the season and they put on a great performance to win the Division II European Championship for the third year in a row. Go Wildcats!

## The match of a lifetime

By Raymond H. Fernandez

The Naples high school tennis team recently made its annual trek to Wiesbaden, Germany for the European finals. The Wildcats fared well, winning their share and losing some nail-biters. The team included Coach David Steadham; Alyssa Bracken (girls singles); George Shaffer and Aaron Rodriguez (boys doubles); Stacia Block and Nicola Malakooti (girls doubles); and finally Conor Skelton (boys singles). The Naples girls singles, boys doubles and girls doubles players unfortunately did not make it to the quarterfinals.

Skelton, however, won his first match easily over a solid opponent and went on to play several other opponents. But, in the match that followed against a more seasoned opponent, Skelton found himself pitted against a top-seeded player. Skelton entered Europeans unseeded. During warm-ups it became evident that his opponent wanted to quickly move past this upstart from Naples.

THE FIRST SET: Skelton fell behind 3-0. His opponent was quick. In the fourth game Skelton's rocket first-serve resulted in a 3-1 win. However, the opponent was unfazed and went up 4-1. Skelton's coach suggested a change in tactics: rather than trying to overpower the challenger, Skelton should play a more conservative game. This approach worked and allowed Skelton to creep up 5-3; but, the seeded



Raymond Fernandez and Conor Skelton in a post-victory match photo on Saturday. Skelton powered through to the men's singles quarterfinals at the Vitis Tennis Center in Nordenstadt. Fernandez is Skelton's mentor. (Photo by Elena Skelton)

Ramstein-based opponent, Lee DeBose, went on to top Skelton and win the first set 6-3.

THE SECOND SET: Skelton is asked by the coach to abandon his high-powered first serve and employ his more reliable "kick serve," as well as to continue his steady ground strokes. It worked and brought Skelton up 3-2 in the second set. But, like a rabbit who knows he's being stalked, DeBose adjusts his play. DeBose charges the net and executes a combination of power and touch shots. The table turns and Skelton is down 4-3, but Skelton goes on to pounce on DeBose and defeat him in the second set 6-4. At this point, each player holding a win, the fan base has grown. The underdog from Naples took a set.

THE FINAL SET: The coach reminds Skelton that DeBose appears uneasy and asks Skelton to continue his strategy. DeBose now leads Skelton 4-3. At this point, the silent fans' oxygen supply became scarce. Skelton summoned that elusive quality known as character and executed astounding strategies to tie the final match at 4-4.

If a game is lost in the ninth set, pressure

builds to affect players' nerves and breathing. Skelton is now down 5-4. One more lost game and Skelton's playing will be recorded as "a good effort." However, the Naples student digs down and exhibits that rare combination of talent and determination that some call "the zone." However fiery, DeBose reached match point; but, Skelton turned the score to 6-6 in the third. This has become an athletic competition in the highest sense. This extraordinary moment is witnessed without words. It spoke of primal body language and certain glances across the net that conveys from each, "You are a great opponent."

THE TIE-BREAKER: Skelton's coach does not interject anything more than a pat on the back. DuBose's coach is heard saying, "go down swinging." And that's what DuBose does on the last point, which sails long. Skelton wins the match.

THE AFTERMATH: As with all athletic competitions, there are winners and losers, but there are moments like these that show that when that which is expected is done, it is simply recorded; but, when that which is unexpected occurs, it is memorable and cherished. Great job, Naples!

