



DARBY DIGEST



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Mailing Deadlines

To ensure your packages sent to the U.S. are delivered before Christmas, mail them no later than these dates:

- Nov 20 Sam Parcels
- Dec 4 Pal Parcels
- Dec 11 Priority Parcels
- Dec 11 First Class Letters

The Post office will NOT open on Saturday's for mailing this year. Appointments are available 633-7630.

Veteran's Day

November 10th, there will be a Veterans Day Ceremony at the Florence American Cemetery. The event is sponsored by the Vicenza USAF JROTC cadets. At 11AM there will be a presentation of a Wreath by VFW Post 8862. Directions can be found on <http://www.abmc.gov/home.php>

Safety Tip

Embrace Composite Risk Management (CRM) as a tool to prevent losses. Every Soldier and Department of Army Civilian must complete the online Composite Risk Management Basic Course no later than November 30th. AKO logon for access is required for <https://safetylms.army.mil/librix/loginhtml2.asp?v=usasc> Upon completion email Chiara.Chelossi@darby.setaf.army.mil or call 633-

Army Community Service Holiday Drive

To the Camp Darby Community from LTC Sicinski: The Holiday drive is an annual event conducted by Army Community Service (ACS). This program will allow the military families of the Camp Darby/Livorno Military Community, who need a helping hand to enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving Meal, receive gifts from the Holiday Angel Tree through generosity of other members of the community and provide a family atmosphere for the Single Soldier/Airmen with Holiday Stockings.

Unit Commanders and First Sergeants are in the best position to determine which of their families are experiencing financial hardships and should be nominated to receive

holiday assistance. We recognize that each family presents a unique situation. The intention is to give them a taste of home and a family touch.

For the Thanksgiving Baskets and Angel Tree Gifts, each unit is requested to provide names of selected families and the ages of their children and likes or dislikes to ACS NLT 8 November 2006. Service members may be nominated for both holiday programs on one form. All names will remain confidential.

The Commander or designated representative should go to the Commissary on 20 November 2006 between 1430 and 1700 to pick-up the baskets. Point of contact for the Thanksgiving Baskets and Angel Tree gifts is Elizabeth Speck at 633-7084.

Each and every single service member will receive a holiday stocking regardless of the financial need; Each unit is also requested to provide the names of Single Soldiers/Airmen to ACS NLT 7 December 2006 so that ACS may provide Holiday Stockings for them.

The Holiday Angel Tree gifts and Holiday Stockings should be picked up at ACS on 20 December 2006. The Point of contact for the Holiday Stockings is Evelyn Watkins at 633-

Flu Shots

Units please contact CPT Koch, Chief Nurse, with your UIC and number of Active duty service members for Flu shot planning. 633-7886

Community Remembers Renzo Matteucci

Camp Darby Community members, Italian and American alike, gathered at the Community Post Chapel on October 27th for a Memorial Ceremony for Mr. Renzo Matteucci who passed away on October 21st.

Nicknamed "Matteo", we was born in Livorno on June 17, 1949 and studied mechanical engineering. He was hired at

DPW, first in the Engineering Services Branch as a Mechanical engineer and then in the Contract, Administration and Inspection Branch as an inspector.

He donated blood was actively engaged in voluntary activities. He loved playing tennis and was on the organizational staff that sponsored tennis contests each year for handicapped people.

He is survived by his wife and daughter and friends at Camp Darby who will miss him dearly.



Darby Job Corner

Great Spouse Employment Opportunity is now available at the Community Mail Room and ACS, but the closing date is soon.

1 Mail Clerk GS-3, Temporary Position to not Exceed January 12, 2007. Closing date is November 3rd. Vacancy Announcement Number EUJN06598806

2. Mobilization and Deployment Specialist GS-9, Permanent Full Time position. Closing date is November 2nd. Vacancy Announcement Number EUJN06257113

More information about both of these jobs can be found on www.cpol.army.mil.

For more information about resumes, jobs, volunteering and more- contact Stephen Zglinicki, Volunteer Corp Coordinator and Employment Readiness Specialist 633-7084 stephen.zglinicki@darby.setaf.army.mil.

Girl Scout Fundraiser

The Camp Darby Girl Scouts (K-6th) are selling Brats and Burgers in the Curley Nakai Square to help raise money for their troop. Come by and support them. Saturday, Nov 4th, 10:30-1:30
Wednesday, Nov 8th, 10:30-1:30

Army Family Action Plan

Volunteers to be facilitators and recorders are needed for this years AFAP Nov 27-29. There will be a delegate, facilitator and recorder training session at ACS on Nov 8, 1PM-4PM. Training will be held in the lobby. Please contact Evelyn Watkins at 633-7084. Issues can still be submitted to AFAP@darby.setaf.army.mil

AFN Survey

There's still time to register to win a free trip to Edelweiss Lodge in Garmish. Just fill out a survey about your opinion of AFN The Eagle "Music Worth Fighting For" 106.0 online at www.afneurope.net

November Holiday Commissary Hours

Nov 10th Veterans Day 10-6
Nov 20th Open Extra Day 10-6
Nov 22nd Open Extra Hour 10-7
Nov 23rd Thanksgiving 9-1

Re-Opening of Education Center

Camp Darby Community members now have an Education Center that is designed to improve services. Plus, there is now a study hall room open from 7AM to 4PM with coffee in the morning and computers to do research on.

Congratulations to those who received degrees August 2006
Gwynneth Hennis- AA General Studies
Melissa Merchur- AA General Studies
Kendra Sexton- AA General Studies
Allen Guerra- BA Management

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Community Action Council Issues

Issue Title: Issue with housing

Issue Description: Why is that when I have an EMERGENCY with my utilities (specifically with the HOT water), why am I told that I have to wait 4 days before a technician to come? First and foremost this affects my 2 small children's' health! We all ready have gone 2 days with out hot water Are there too few technicians? What is considered an emergency in the housing office world?

Answer: Only a qualified heating technician can legally repair a furnace system. For government leased hous-

ing, the landlord in most cases is responsible for the furnace maintenance and repair. The landlord has 72 hours by lease agreement to respond to emergency calls of this nature. In this time period, September through November, the heating technicians are scheduled very tightly for the entire community. For the military families we compensate through Emergency TLA if the emergency would impact on health, safety, etc. For no heat calls in the winter the same applies. With no hot water it is normally a judgment call depending upon duration and family.

With small children the granting of Emergency TLA for no hot water is greater than if it is only a couple, for a one or two day period. In this instance, since a problem relating to the hot water was actually identified last week and the family lost hot water over the weekend we granted the Emergency TLA upon the request of the individual's 1SG.

Jon Belair, Chief, Housing Division

Have an issue that you want answers to? Submit your issues at the USAG Livorno web site.

Italy Off the Beaten Path... Explore your world.

XXIII Florence Marathon November 26th, 9AM. Non-Italians must have an IAAF membership or a medical certificate issued by a doctor less than 12 months old. Plus, there's a Marathon Expo and Exhibit and a "Ginky" Mini run (1.5K) for youth in elementary and middle school starts at 9:10. For more information www.firenzemarathon.it. (web site has English translation)

San Giuliano Terme Natural Spa Resort At this renowned spa resort, visitors can select from thermal swimming pools, Vichy shower and watsu treatment and a wide range of massages.

Call 050-818-047 for more info.

Skydiving School Learn to Skydive or jump Tandem In Lucca. To learn more check out www.paracadutismolucca.it

Pisa Open Arms Market Every second weekend of the month, the streets of Pisa Historical center between Piazza dei Cavalieri and Borgo Stretto host the traditional antique and handicraft market.

Camp Darby ITR is your source for guided tours. Stop by or call to see what trips they have coming up or look in the Darby Horizon's. 633-7589

Questions, comments and input: joyce.costello@afn.livorno.army.mil