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"On Broadway!"
Stephen Decatur
Elementary musical
this weekend

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Achieving another Revolution in Navy Training milestone, Naval Personnel Development Command (NPDC) Learning Centers were awarded institutional accreditation by the Council on Occupational Education (COE) in March.

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Here in Sicily almost any tourist spot can be reached on one tank of gas. You can emulate good ole Del by hopping in a little red Cinquecento and heading of to any of these spots.

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Naval Air Station Signonella Command Career Counselors put on the Detaller Symposium from April 19 to 21, to help provide information for Sailors to excel in their Navy careers.

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Dozens of elementary school children filed into the chapel at Naval Air Station Signonella recently for DARE graduation.

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Clever Sentinel ends with major operation



Story and photos by
JO3 Steve Weaver
Staff Writer

MEDITERRANEAN SEA (April 22, 2004) — The Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI) multilateral maritime interdiction training exercise, CLEVER SENTINEL 2004, kicked off on April 19 and ended with a major operation, which simulated the interception of a ship carrying weapons of mass destruction (WMD) in the Mediterranean Sea off the coast of Sicily on April 22.

The U.S. provided the guided missile destroyer USS Gonzalez (DDG 66) and the Military Sealift Command ship MV PFC Eugene A. Obregon (T-AR 3006), which posed as the ship holding the container with the suspect WMD inside.

Italy, France, Netherlands and Spain also provided assets for the day's operation. Observers from countries such as Singapore, United Kingdom, Hungary and Norway lined the decks of the Italian Navy replenishment and logistic support ship MM Etna (A5326) to view the eighth exercise in the PSI series.

In the scenario, intelligence indicated "a cargo or cargos suspected of transporting WMD-related materials from one country to a potential terrorist organization was cruising in the central Mediterranean and the Ionian Sea," said Counselor Paolo Cuculi, with Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Disarmament and Non-Proliferation department.

The operation started with the ships USS Gonzalez, Italian frigate Bersagliere, French frigate Courbet, Spanish frigate Infanta Elena and Dutch frigate Van Speijk surrounding the PFC Obregon. A group of Italian Navy special forces boarded an Italian SH-3 helicopter to rappel down and take control of the suspect ship.

After the special forces took control of the ship, a chemical, biological and radiological (CBR) inspection team boarded the ship to determine the condition of the container. The inspection team found discrepancies with the ship's cargo and diverted it to Italian Coast Guard, Italian Ministry of Interior and Italian Fire Department control. Italian fire department personnel then performed a CBR screening of the container in order to detect the nature of the cargo on shore at Augusta Bay, Sicily.

The operation went smoothly. "The result seems quite encouraging due to the cooperation in intelligence and with military assets of some of our PSI partners," said Cuculi. "I mention the U.S. first for providing

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Italian special forces personnel FAST rope from an Italian SH-3 helicopter down to the deck of the Military Sealift Command ship PFC Eugene A. Obregon during exercise CLEVER SENTINEL 2004.

Signonella Sailor wins CNE Sailor of the Year honor

By JO2 Eric Brown
COMFAIRMED Public Affairs

NAVAL SUPPORT ACTIVITY, NAPLES, Italy — Selected by a board of master chief petty officers, the winner of the Commander, Naval European Command 2003 Sailor of the Year (SOY) competition was announced at a ceremony held at the Cio Hall on April 23.

The honor went to AE1(AW) Lisa Patrocky, representing U.S. Naval Air Station, Signonella.

"I'm overwhelmed, excited, thrilled and honored," she said. "I never dreamed of getting this far."

The four other first class petty officers competing for the regional SOY represented U.S. Navy installations in Keflavik, Iceland; Rota, Spain; Naples, Italy; and London.

These Sailors spent the week in Naples, preparing for a board held by five master chiefs on April 22.

"We were really looking at their levels of knowledge in Navy programs, such as 'Perform to Serve,' and the 'Chief of Naval Operations Guidance for 2004,' and how these Sailors led their people using these programs," explained CMDM (SW) Mike Johnson, of U.S. Naval Air Station, Keflavik. "All the competitors has incredible records and they are all sharp people, very worthy of the honor of being here to compete."

This, he said, made it difficult for the board to select just one Sailor to represent the European region at the next level of competition, the Navy's Shore Sailor of the Year, to be held in Washington, D.C.

"In her, we saw a level of excellence CNE SOY, page 13



Adm. Gregory G. Johnson, Commander, Naval European Command, presents, AE1(AW) Lisa Patrocky with a plaque April 23.

Photo by PA1(AW) Richard Koenig



Direct Line

Capt. T.L. Davison
NASSIG
Commanding Officer

Today, back in 1798, the Congress established the Department of the Navy. Now, this date shouldn't be confused with the Navy's birthday of October 13. We are part of a large and complex organization designed to provide the President with options.

As of this past Monday, the Navy has about 377,600 Sailors on active-duty, 148,586 in the Ready Reserves, about 400,000 Department of the Navy civilians and Host Nation civilians and over 4,000 Midshipmen. We have 295 ships in our fleets with 141 of the ships underway with 32% on various deployments across the world. We have over 4,000 aircraft (fixed and rotor) assigned to our various air wings and squadrons. As you can see, we are just a small part of the whole organization.

As a member of the Navy team, you're a vital part of our base organization. All of the parts make up and contribute to different ways to the benefit of the whole organization here at NAS Sigonella. I am impressed by the professionalism, hard work and can-do attitudes I see on a daily basis. Our jobs are different, unique and quite often require us to devote a considerable amount of the day at work (especially to support various missions that we are tasked with). These long hours keeps us from spending time with our families and friends but that is what we have to do. That is our small price to pay for being a part of this organization.

If you read in the paper or saw the news the last week of so, you probably have read about Pat Tillman, who gave up the glamorous life of a professional football star with the Arizona Cardinals to join the Army Rangers after the Sept. 11 attacks. He turned down a \$3.6 million contract to serve his country. He wanted to be a part of the organization. Sadly to say, he was killed in action during an ambush in Afghanistan. He knew the bigger the picture.

Sacrifice is a hard word to swallow sometimes but we all must do so under some strenuous circumstances. We have it pretty lucky here...no one is shooting at us. Yes, I am thankful for that, but also cautious. I see too many of our personnel or their dependents leaving the base and around towns with sports clothing, Navy jackets, etc. on. Operations Security dictates that we should blend in and not draw attention to ourselves.

We have accomplished a great deal here. We have a fantastic relationship with our host nation. We will continue to provide the best logistical support to the Fleet and squadrons that we can. But we cannot do it without you. We need everyone to stay on top of his or her game.

Thanks for being a part of our team!

HEALTHWATCH

No lap kids please!

Lt. Cmdr. John P. Howard, Pediatrician

Yes, yes, most of us are the healthy product of days gone by where car seats and seat belts didn't exist. However, thanks to modern technology and research we now have the means to protect our children more safely.

You've seen it. Your friends and neighbors leisurely driving through Mineo, Maranai and 205 housing with their small children (or infants) on their lap. Often, these children are even on the laps of the driver! Statistics show that most accidents occur less than five miles from your home and at speeds less than 25 miles per hour. Realizing that the speed limit in housing is much below this and that "you're being careful", consider this:

- A small child runs into the street from behind a parked car and you must brake.
 - A stray dog or cat runs into the street in front of you and you must brake.
 - Your air bag malfunctions and deploys upon quick braking.
- Where does your child go in these instances? Into the dashboard, steering wheel or windshield. How far away is the base ambulance? 30-45 minutes.

Many people new to Sigonella quickly learn how to drive like the locals; with increased speed.



CRIME STOPPER'S HOTLINE

624-6389

April 19 — April 25

The following incidents were reported and categorized as follows:

- Traffic accidents without injuries - 9
- Traffic accident with injuries - 3
- Car break-ins - 0
- DUI - 0
- DUI's 2004 - 6
- DUI's 2003 - 58

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NASSIG Gets serious about Operations Security (OPSEC)

From NASSIG OPSEC office

This week NASSIG held an advanced OPSEC Practitioners Course at the NAS II conference center. Over 40 students from NavSta Rota Spain, NAVEUR UK, NavSta Naples, and multiple commands on NASSIG spent the week increasing their OPSEC knowledge, expanding their abilities as OPSEC managers, and extended their current awareness of threat and technologies that might be used against their commands and their missions.

LT Michael Husband, the OPSEC Officer, hosted two senior OPSEC instructors from the Interagency OPSEC Support Staff (IOSS) out of Greenbelt, Maryland. Lt Husband stated, "It is extremely important for us to continue our awareness of OPSEC, continually increase our abilities as OPSEC practitioners, and spread the good OPSEC word to our commands and

our dependents here at NASSIG". Lt Husband further stated, "OPSEC works only if you use it. I have never seen it fail yet in our military business practices or in our private lives and to quote Condoleezza Rice and our President "We have to be right every time but the adversary has to only be right once". Lets not give our adversaries the chance".

The Lead Senior Instructor from the IOSS stated "Lt Husband and the NASSIG commands have brought their OPSEC program online at a remarkable rate. It has been less than six months since its inception and they have progressed to the second of three tiers in that short time. It is a very rare thing indeed to proceed so smartly in the right direction and accomplish so many positive goals."

Lt Husband stated, "Our goals were optimistic as proposed in our timeline but, we were confident that with the Senior Command backing and the enthusiasm from our

OPSEC working groups that we could achieve our milestones. We are not finished yet. We still have a way to go but I am satisfied with the pace that things are going right now. I believe that our missions and our daily lives will forever be benefited from what we are doing today".

Lt Husband is definitely not finished yet. He is proposing that an OPSEC assessment and a vulnerability study be kicked off by the end of the summer. In that way NASSIG will have even more means

NJP Results

Violation of the UCMJ, Art. 111 (Drunken operation of a vehicle.

Awarded restriction to the limits of U.S. Naval Air Station Sigonella (NAS II) for 30 days; extra duties for 30 days; forfeiture of \$668.00 pay per month for 2 months; and reduction to next inferior pay grade.

NAS Sigonella Worship Opportunities

- Catholic Mass**
Saturday 5 p.m. Chapel (NAS II)
Sunday 9 a.m. Chapel (NAS I)
Sunday 9 a.m. in Italian 41*
Stormo Chapel (NAS II)
Sunday 11 a.m. Community Center (Mineo)

Protestant Traditional Service
Sunday 11 a.m. Fellowship Hall (NAS I)

Protestant Worship
Sunday 9 a.m. Community Center (Mineo)
Sunday 10:45 a.m. Chapel (NAS I)

United Pentecostal Church, International
Sunday Noon Chapel, (NAS II)

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Sunday 1 p.m. Chapel (NAS I)

Church of Christ
Sunday 3:30 p.m. Chapel (NAS I)

Jewish Shabbat Service
Last Friday of the month 5 p.m. Chapel (NAS I)

Muslim Jummaah
Friday 12:30 p.m. Chapel (NAS I) Classroom

Weekdays
Catholic Mass 4:30 p.m. Monday & Tuesday
11:30 a.m. Thursday & Friday (NAS I)
Monday thru Thursday at 11:30 a.m. (NAS II)
Wednesday Protestant Bible Study
4:45 p.m. (NAS II Chapel)
5 p.m. (NAS I Chapel)
For more details, call 624-4295 or 624-9049.

Sailors shape the future of ratings

By Lt. Susan Henson, Naval Personnel Development Command Public Affairs

NORFOLK, Va. (NNS)—Through the Job Task Analysis (JTA) process, the Revolution in Navy Training is giving unprecedented numbers of Sailors the opportunity to directly impact the future of not only their ratings, but the future of the Navy, as well.

With the JTA, Sailors of all pay grades and communities are being brought together to look at each job, task, duty or function they are expected to perform. Their scrutiny is the first step in determining what data is loaded into their rating's 5 Vector Model (5VM).

Information Systems Technician 2nd Class (SW) Chris Stanley, a four-year Navy veteran, recently spent two weeks in San

Diego as part of the Information Systems Technician (IT) Job Task Analysis Phase II (JTA-II) project. The USS Lassen (DDG 82) Sailor was one of 64 asked to participate.

Stanley and his six-person team were charged with evaluating the IT Network Administration Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) (2735). After identifying each of the individual skill objects and related tasks associated with network administration, the information was entered into a database to serve as the foundation of the professional development vector of the IT 5VM.

The IT rating isn't the only one going through this process of categorizing each step of each job a Sailor performs. Each of the Naval Personnel Development Ratings, page 13

Anyone want a kitten?



By Chaplain Tommy Myhand
Command Chaplain

March 30th was a unique day. Like any normal day in Sicily, I, the man of the house, was carrying out the trash, like all husbands should! As I was throwing the rubbish into the containers, I looked inside and what did I see? How about four baby kittens that had been placed in a shoebox. These kittens were less than a week old. I thought to myself, this couldn't be. Why would someone take these kittens away from their Mom? I guess some pet owner has no idea of what the term "commitment" means. Then it dawned on me as well, I'm looking at these kittens and not liking the idea of what is about to happen to these critters. I could walk away and pretend that I did not see them; then of course, I would be stuck knowing these kittens passed away from this world and I would be left a guilty conscience. I was between a rock and a hard place. What should I do? In times like these you share things like this with your wife. Of course, I had an idea I was about to be the proud owner of these four kittens. Yes, I now have four more hungry mouths in the Myhand household.

I have learned a little from this experience however. Even though on a small scale the example of the kittens can be applied to the larger scale of life. For instance, the word

commitment seems to be a word of yesterday. Years ago, people agreed with a handshake. Your word was your honor. No paperwork whatsoever. I can't go to any bank and ask for a loan and offer them a handshake together with my word today. They would think I was nuts. Banks want your name on paper. This shows them you are committed to paying the loan back or they have a way of collecting what you owe them. How about commitment in marriage?

Now, over 50 percent of marriages end in divorce. There are various reasons people choose divorce. But what happened to the initial commitment of "till death do us part"? Parents, are you committed to raising your children? I know it's tough in today's world to raise children but your children need you. Have we made an honest commitment to be the best that we can be? Overall I guess what happens when we forget the word commitment; there are too many people who get hurt and tossed aside so others can go on with their lives. Which reminds me of the kittens, actually my wife took it upon herself to raise these children. She has done a wonderful job. It has taken a lot of commitment on her part. So now I come to you, my readers, would some of you commit yourselves to adopting these four kittens that I have named? Their names are Larry, Larry, Larry and Daryl.

In the process of all of this, I keep thinking of the veterinarian James Herriot who wrote books about his experiences with animals: "All creatures great and small, the Lord God loves us all."

You Drink,
You Drive,
You Lose.
Drive Safely
Sigonella

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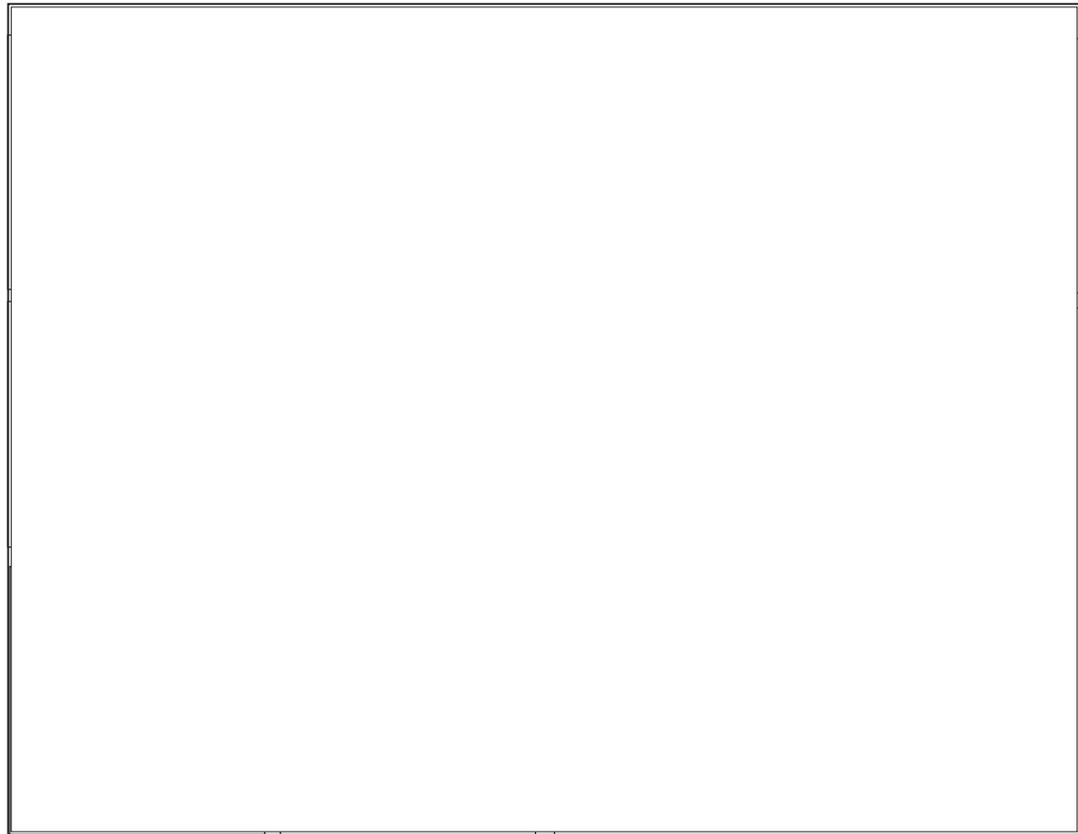


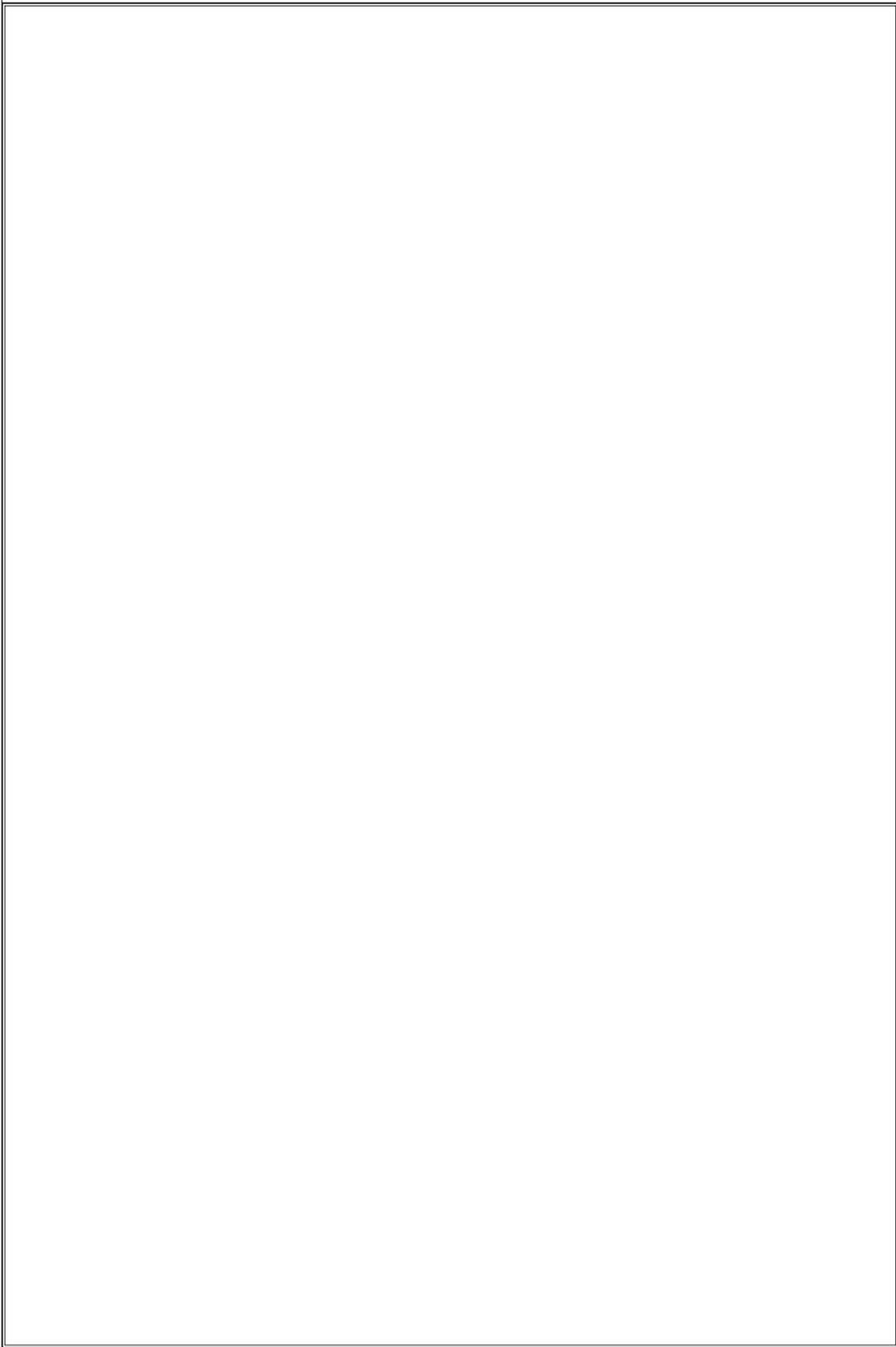
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

						30 April	CDC Luau Day 3-5 p.m. School Musical on Broadway 7 p.m. MPR classroom	1
								School Musical on Broadway 3 and 6 p.m. MPR classroom
2 May	Cefalu & Castelbouno Agriturismo Farm ITT Call 624-4396	3 8th Grade Track Meet 1 to 2:25 p.m. school track	4 Navy's first official seal was adopted in 1780	5 Cinco De Mayo	6		7 NEX Job Fair 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. NEX, NAS II and NEX Depot. Call 624-4278.	8 Anniversary of Naval Aviation, Navy ordered first airplane, A-1, 1911
9 Mother's Day	10 PTO Meeting 2:30 room B25	11 Horse Riding School AU all 624-4271	12 Kite Day 3 to 5 p.m. 205 Youth Center	13 Navy Nurse Corps established, 1908	14 Teen Summer Employment Mandatory Meeting 3:15 p.m. location TBD Call 624-4018	15 Marzamemi Fishing Trip AU Call 624-4271		
16	17 Teen Summer Employment Mandatory Meeting 3:15 p.m. location TBD Call 624-4018	18 UNO Contest 3 to 5 p.m. NAS I Teen Center	19 Cooking Class 4 to 5 p.m. Mineo Rec Center	20 Photo Safari Meeting 4:30 to 5:30 The Works Call 624-4488	21 Armed Forces Day noon to 9 p.m. NAS II ball field Sign up at Take 5 by May 17 Call 624-4396	22 Teen Center Palermo Trip 9:30 a.m. Teen Center		

	Sat., May 1	Sun., May 2	Mon., May 3	Wed., May 5	Thurs., May 6
Friday Call Fri., April 30 Join ITT on a shopping trip in Catania. Call 624-4396.	Visit Messina and Milazzo with ITT and check out the sites. Call 624-4396.	Explore the quaint town of Castelbouno, famous for its castle and great restaurant. Then visit the beautiful coastal city of Cefalu, the cathedral and the medieval washhouse. Call ITT at 624-4396.	Join the six-week workout program to drop pounds while improving strength, cardio and flexibility. Points awarded for each workout that includes all three fitness components. Awards will be given to those who complete the program. Sign up at either Fitness Center.	Explore Pollina, a medieval town in Madonie Park with castles and an amphitheatre. Then go ceramic shopping. Call 624-4396.	Go on a shopping trip to Catania with ITT. Call 624-4396.







By Alberto Lunetta
Signature Staff

Italian News

Sicilian culture and lifestyle

Elvis Costello concert in Catania

Multi-talented singer/songwriter Elvis Costello will perform Wednesday, May 5 at the *Ciminiera* Convention Center in Catania (located at viale Africa n. 208, near the train station).

For more information detailed schedule and tickets click the following websites: www.ticketsonline.it or www.primafila.info or call 095-7225340 and 095-7151488.

Flower Festival blossoms in Noto

From May 14 through 16, Noto, a magnificent Baroque city located on the southern slopes of the Iblei Mountains southwest of Syracuse, will celebrate springtime with the *Infiorata*, (decoration with flowers) a magnificent flower festival. Along the streets of the historic center, festival goers will get a chance to see flower decorations that are absolutely astonishing and impressive in scale (decorations cover about 700 square meters).

The tradition of decorating the main streets of the city was originally imitated from the one that is annually organized in Genzano, a small village located in the center of Italy. In Genzano, petals were traditionally spread to decorate the itinerary of a religious procession that was attended by devotees honoring the Virgin Mary. This colorful "carpet" was destroyed later by the passage of the procession.

In 1980, Noto administrators of the time decided to start an *Infiorata*-like festival in Sicily by inviting the Genzano masters to "paint" with flowers the historic center of Noto. This gave a chance to Sicilian artists to learn the techniques and the secrets of this ancient art. Since then, every year, the city administration, after announcing what will be the theme of the year, organizes a competition for the best sketches. An award is given to the best three artists.

Festival Schedule Highlights

This year the *Infiorata* Festival will be celebrating its 25th anniversary. For the occasion, past editions' winners (1995-2003) have been tasked with decorating the beautiful Baroque alleys.

On May 14 at 6 p.m., *Infioratori*, (the ones who decorate with flowers) 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, is 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.

Complementing the *Infiorata*, a spectacular parade, named *Corteo Barocco* or Baroque parade featuring over 200 people dressed as 18th century nobles, knights, dancers, musicians, flag waivers perform on May 16 at 4 p.m. throughout the historic center. Performers leave from Piazza Mazzini and carry the banners of the most famous aristocratic families of Noto. Musicians accompany the parade playing Baroque minuets. Several arts exhibitions are set up inside the city most beautiful churches and buildings. Music shows are held every evening after sunset.

What to see in town

Visiting the *Infiorata* is also a great occasion to see one of the most beautiful Baroque cities in the world that was denominated as "Garden of stone and gold," for the yellowish-rosy color of its buildings and monuments. A living museum, Noto is located about 20 miles south of Syracuse. The city was built next to the river Asinaro in 1703 on the ruins of the ancient Roman City of Nenum, which was destroyed in the earthquake of 1693. Greeks, Romans,

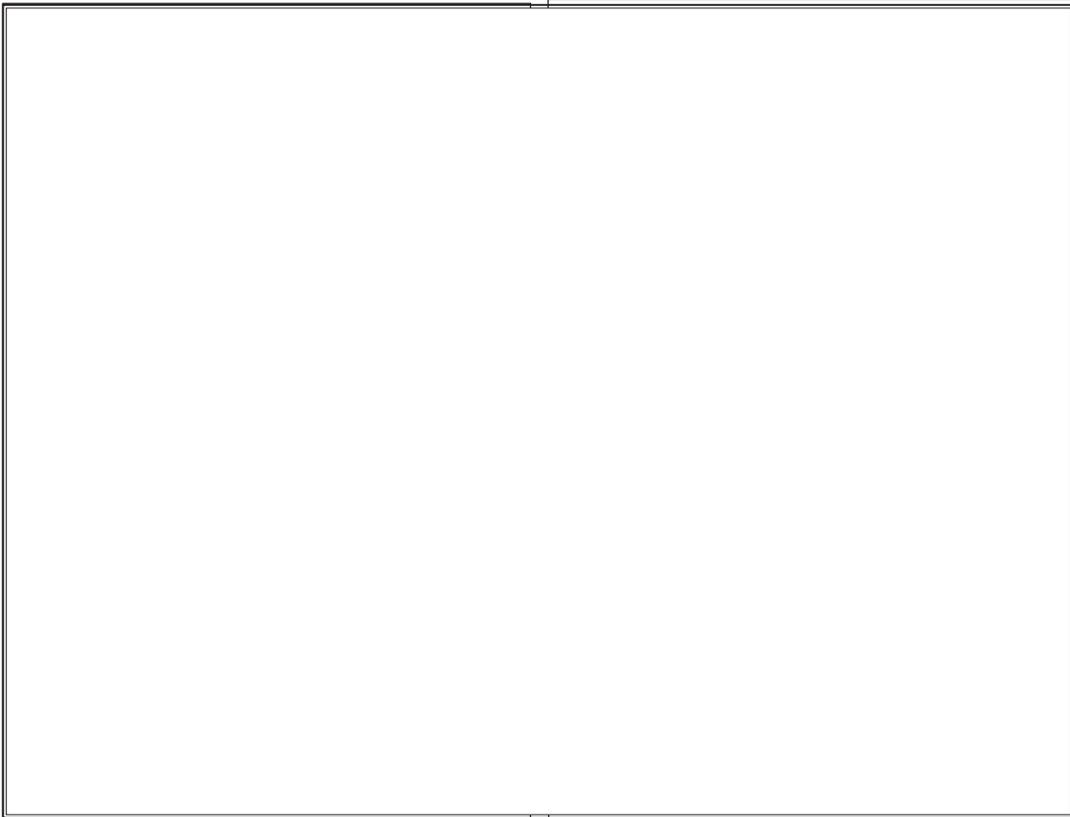
Byzantines, Arabs, Normans, Swabians, Aragonese, and Spaniards conquered Noto throughout the centuries. However, all the traces of these civilizations were lost as results of the above-mentioned earthquake. Noto is the capital of the 18th century Sicilian and European baroque, and its religious and civil monuments 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, Santa Chiara, the Franciscan Convent and the Salvatore Benedictine Monastery. Among the aristocratic palaces, Palazzo Ducezio is worth a visit. Architect Vincenzo Sinagra designed it in 1748. Beautiful neo-classical style frescoes by Antonio Mazza decorate the interiors.

Two years ago, UNESCO, a United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, has 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 that consists of 563 cultural properties throughout the world. These cities were all rebuilt after 1693 on or beside towns existing at the time of the earthquake in that year. Keeping within the late Baroque style of the day, they also depict distinctive innovations in town planning and urban building.

For more information and detailed schedule call Noto Tourist office at 0931-573779. You can also check with ITT calling 624-4396 or 624-4777.



The amazing *Infiorata* Festival runs in Noto from May 14 through 16. The streets of this city, a magnificent Baroque "jewel" in the Siracusa province, will be covered with astonishing colored flower decorations. Festival will also feature arts and crafts and food booths as well as a period costume parades.





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SCHOOL NEWS

Teacher Appreciation Week

Submitted by a Parent

"The dream begins, most of the time, with a teacher who believes in you, who tugs and pushes and leads you on to the next plateau, sometimes poking you with a sharp stick called truth." — Dan Rather

Do you remember your favorite teacher? Or the teacher that influenced your life in a way that you will never forget?

I do, her name was Miss Weaver and she was my fifth grade teacher. She was just out of college, excited about embarking on her new career, and she came expecting the best from each of the students in her class. I believe those high expectations were met by each of us, not only to please her but to please ourselves as well. I will never forget her and I am so thankful that in my freshman year of college, she walked into the store where I was working and I was able to tell her the impact she had on my life.

The debate around education, and ways to improve education, continue. With the release of each new study, education experts and government leaders suggest ways to strengthen our education system. One of these ways is by showing respect and support for our teachers.

May 2nd through 7th has been set aside as National PTA Teacher Appreciation Week to focus attention on the many outstanding educators

whose work deserves applause. Let's contribute to the efforts of improving our schools and reinforcing the quality of education in our community; let's recognize teachers for the significant role they play in our lives and in the well being of our nation. Let's take time to say "thanks" to the teachers of our military community and throughout the United States.

Both the Elementary PTO and the Secondary School PTSA have activities planned for the week to show the Stephen Decatur Schools' Staff just how much they are appreciated. Hopefully you answered one of the solicitations for help with these activities. If not, don't worry, it is not too late. You can still express your appreciation. Simply sit down and write a note of thanks to one or all of the Stephen Decatur School teachers who have touched your life. Also, have your son or daughter sit down and write a note of appreciation. We are never too old to express our appreciation and let the people who inspire our children and us know how much their efforts are appreciated. For if we don't tell them, who will?

"Better than a thousand days of diligent study is one day with a great teacher." — Japanese proverb

Stephen Decatur Elementary musical this weekend

By Lynn Soeby
Elementary music teacher

Stephen Decatur Elementary School is alive with the sights and sounds of one hundred and sixty students rehearsing for their upcoming musical, "On Broadway!" slated to open for the Sigonella community tonight at 7 p.m. The show features favorite scenes from six popular musicals: Annie, The Wizard of Oz, Tom Sawyer, The King and I, The Sound of Music and Oliver! Performers, who range in age from three to 12 years old, have been rehearsing since early February.

Parent and community volunteers have been working behind the scenes weekends and after hours to build and paint scenery, sew costumes and organize the many details of the complicated show. "The support of the Sigonella community has been fantastic," says Lynn Soeby, local music teacher who



SDS elementary students rehearse a scene from "Annie" for this weekend's performances.

directs the show "and it is fun to bring back some of the shows we have done here over the past five years."

"There's a lot of things that I really like about being in the show. I like how everybody gets along and works like a team so it all fits together," said Reece Arcarola, 4th grade student who performs as one of Tom Sawyer's white washing buddies. "This is really fun!" said 1st grader MacKenzie Tourville, one of the orphans who dances and sings It's a Hard Knock Life in the musical, Annie. "This is hard!" said fifth grade student, Ashley Pirzad, who plays Maria in The Sound of Music. "I was very nervous at first, but I feel better, now. After practice and more practice, it's a lot easier."

Curtain goes up onstage in the Stephen Decatur School multi-purpose room Friday at 7 p.m. April 30 and 3 and 6 p.m. on May 1. The show, sponsored by the Stephen Decatur Elementary School PTO, is free.

TRIVIA

- 1) In ancient Rome, what would you do with Garum: eat it, smoke it, throw it or drink it?
- 2) What U.S. Vice President became a general in the Confederate Army?
- 3) What Greek said "Eureka!" when he sat in his bathtub and discovered the properties of displacement?
- 4) What was the American west hero "Doc" Holliday's medical specialty?
- 5) What is the limit as x approaches 0 of $(2x^2 + 10x)(5x^2 + 2x + 7x)$?

(Answers on page 13)

Movie Connection

2004's Theater Schedule

Friday, April 30



6 p.m.
Secret Window
(PG-13)**



9 p.m.
The Alamo
(PG-13)**

Saturday, May 1



1 p.m.
Agent Cody Banks 2
(PG)**



3:30 p.m.
Starsky and Hutch
(PG-13)



6 p.m.
Against the Ropes
(PG-13)

Sunday, May 2



1 p.m.
Scooby Doo 2:
Monsters Unleashed
(PG)



3:30 p.m.
Agent Cody Banks 2
(PG)



6 p.m.
The Alamo
(PG-13)**

Monday, May 3



6 p.m.
Twisted
(R)



8 p.m.
Secret Window
(PG-13)

Theater Closed Tuesdays

Wednesday, May 5



6 p.m.
Scooby Doo 2:
Monsters Unleashed
(PG)



8 p.m.
The Alamo
(PG-13)

Thursday, May 6



6 p.m.
50 First Dates
(PG-13)*



8 p.m.
The Passion of Christ
(R)

Friday, May 7



6 p.m.
Taking Lives
(R)**



8:30 p.m.
Dawn of the Dead
(R)**

** Future Re-release **Sneak Preview **Last Showing
(All times and movies are subject to change. For more information on the schedule, call the movie hotline at x4248)

Summer Jobs and More for Sigonella teens

Story by Nicole Hamaker
Staff Writer

Sigonella teens can look forward to a new teen employment program this summer that will offer them more than just an ordinary job, thanks to a partnership between MWR and the Boys and Girls Clubs of America.

The MWR Teen Summer Employment Program, which is open to teens between the ages of 15 and 18, will offer job positions at several MWR facilities and include classes to teach the teens valuable job and life skills, according to Laura Brower, Lead Recreation Assistant at the Mineo Center, who is head of the program.

Brower is particularly enthusiastic about one aspect of the program. "One thing that we are really excited about is that being in association with the Boys and Girls Clubs of America, we are able to offer the Job Ready program. Every Monday the kids will meet with me or another MWR director and we are going to teach job skills such as writing a résumé, how to interview, and appropriate behavior in the workplace. They will learn things that will teach them how to be a good employee."

According to Brower there are two major differences between this year's teen employment program and those of the past. "One thing is that Job Ready is involved and teaching them skills for future employment; the other thing is that it is a competitive hire rather than a first come, first serve," she said. After the teens have learned

how to write their résumés, they will submit them and actually go through an interview process with the director of the facility for which they have applied, said Brower.

Brower says that there will be a variety of jobs available, from Web page design to working at the Auto Hobby Shop, and teens can apply for as many positions as they want. "One really interesting job will be marketing, where they can help with the designs of T-shirts and posters," said Brower.

According to Brower, students will be sent home with informational packets about the program at the beginning of May which will include a permission slip that must be signed by a parent. The applicants and parents can then attend one of two introductory meetings on May 14 or May 17 at the NAS 1 Theater.

Nisa Jarero, MWR Marketing Director, believes that everyone will benefit from this program. "It's exciting for us as an organization. It's really going to help us in all our facilities where we need the extra help and it's certainly going to be outstanding for the teens, who will have this for their own résumés. And of course, the parents are going to be delighted that we actually have something like this."

According to Jarero, this program will give Sigonella teens a jumpstart into the real world. "They will learn the professional way to do things. They are going to be very fortunate, most teens don't learn these things until after they get out of high school. This is going to add some competitiveness which is a great way for kids to learn the real world," said Jarero.



Siracusa: A one-tank trip away

Story and photos by **JO3 Steve Weaver**
Staff Writer

Back in the good old U.S. of A, in the good ole state of Ohio, there is a man on a local Cleveland television station who hosts a series called "One Tank Trips." Del Donohue takes his little red car to different tourist locales that can be reached on one tank of gas from the northeast Ohio area.

Here in Sicily almost any tourist spot can be reached on one tank of gas. You can emulate good ole Del by hopping in a little red Cinquecento and heading of to any of these spots.

ITT recently held a tour to the ancient town of Siracusa, which is nestled snugly on the southeastern shores of Sicily. The city was founded 734 B.C. by the Corinthians and was a grand city in its heyday. Athens, Carthage and Rome were the only cities of the ancient Mediterranean world to challenge the prosperity and power of Siracusa at this time.

Walking through the island of Ortigia, you may come upon the Temple of Apollo in Piazza Pancali, which is most likely the oldest Doric-style Greek temple on the island of Sicily. The temple was built around 565 B.C. Although the temple is mostly in

ruins, a few columns remain.

Nearby the temple is the Fountain of Diana, which was built for the Roman goddess Diana whose Greek name was Artemis. She was the goddess of the moon, the hunt and was protector of children. The fountain is exquisitely designed and was built in 1906 by the Italian sculptor Giulio Moschetti out of concrete. It represents the myth described in the Arethusa Spring.

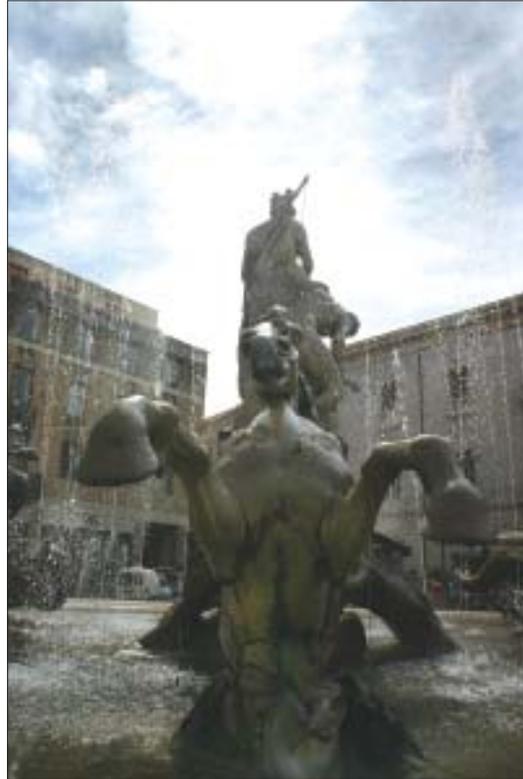
"Stretched in front of a Sicilian bay lies an island, over against wave-beaten Plenyrium; men of old called it Ortygia. Hither, so runs the tale, Alpheus, river of Elis, forced a secret course beneath the sea, and now at thy fountain, Arethusa, mingles with the Sicilian waves."

Virgil, The Aeneid, Book III (line 692-695)

The Fountain of Arethusa is only a short walk away from the Fountain of Diana, and relates to the legend of one of Diana's nymphs, Arethusa. The fountain contains clear fresh-water from underground spring. The legend states that Arethusa was tormented by the demonstrations of love from a hunter named Alpheus. Diana in turned helped Arethusa by turning her into a stream so she could escape underground and emerge on the island of Ortigia as the fresh-water



Above: The facade of the cathedral in Siracusa was destroyed by an earthquake in 1693, but it was rebuilt in the current baroque style in the 18th century. Right: The Fountain of Diana features Diana with her bow and arrows, Alpheus catching the nymph Arethusa, and tritons riding sea horses.





spring. Ducks can now be seen playing and palm trees grow in the cool waters of the fountain.

Another must-see stop on Ortigia is the Cathedral. The spot where it now stands once stood a temple dedicated to Athena. In the 7th Century A.D., the temple was assimilated into a Christian church. The Doric columns of the old temple can still be seen on the left side of the temple, on the inside and outside. A 1695 earthquake leveled the front façade of the building, but it was rebuilt in the 18th Century in the current baroque style. Inside a statue of St. Lucy, the town's patron saint, can be seen.

For the artsy fartsy out there, a stop at the Regional Gallery of Palace Bellomo is a definite go-

to. It's one of the few galleries in Sicily for medieval art. The first floor contains paintings dating from the 14th to the 18th century. The gallery also houses two very important paintings by two great artists. The "Annunciation" by Antonella da Messina, which was painted in 1474, and the "Burial of St. Lucy" by Caravaggio, painted in 1608.

When you're feeling pooped from walking around, there a great seaside cafes and restaurants to partake in some Italian refreshments. Make tracks for an out of the way pizzeria or seafood restaurant.

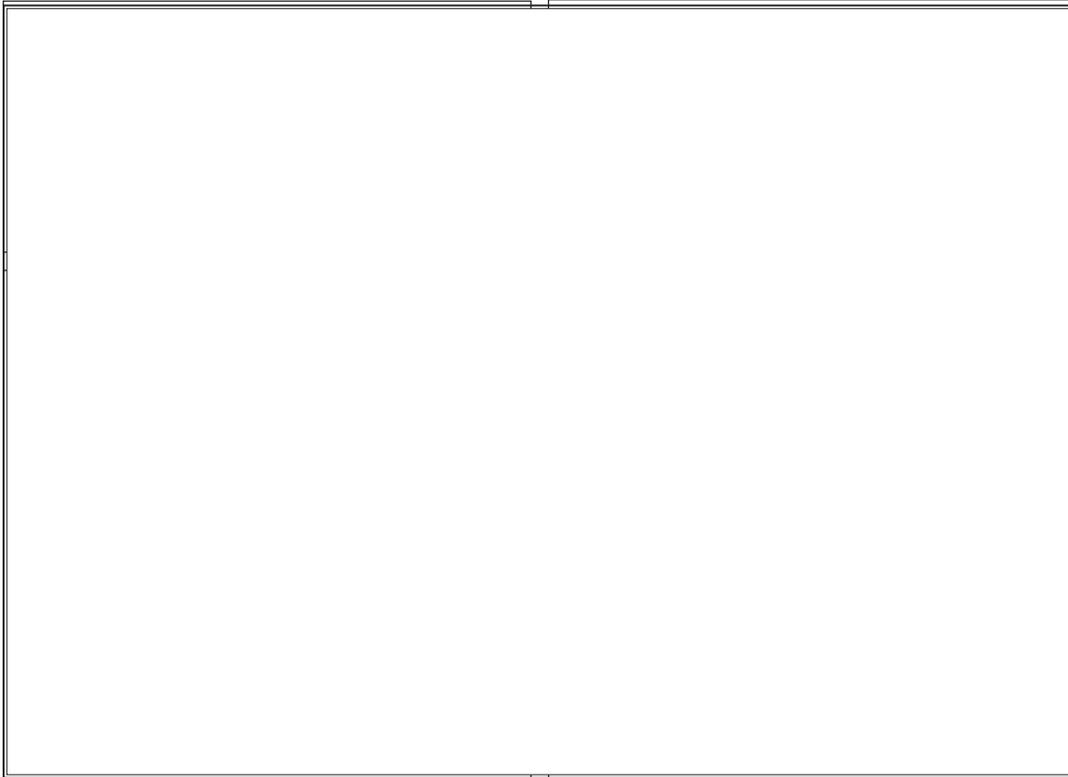
With its ancient sights and warm people, Siracusa is just a "One Tank Trip" away.



Left: The fountain of Arethusa is fed by a fresh-water spring. Ducks and palm tree can be seen in the fountain. It was named after the nymph Arethusa who legend states she was turned into a stream of fresh water by the goddess Diana.

Top: The Temple of Apollo in Piazza Pancali is most likely the oldest Doric-style temple on the island of Sicily.

Bottom: The interior of the cathedral in Ortigia is as diverse as the exterior. The Doric columns and other architectural traits come from influences such as the Greek to the Normans.





Providing Sailors information to accelerate their careers

By AN Michelle Hartgraves
Staff Writer

Naval Air Station Sigonella Command Career Counselors put on the Detailer Symposium from April 19 to 21, to help provide information for Sailors to excel in their Navy careers.

Through the three-day period junior enlisted, senior enlisted, spouses and those interested in officer programs were provided a wealth of information.

According to Command Career Counselor NCC(SW/AW) Kendall Dobison, the brief was to bring the community up to speed with what is going on with the Navy. "We are trying to cover a wide range of communities within the military as well as spouses," said Dobison.

Navy Personnel Command detailers and the Center for Career Development personnel provided the briefs. Career Counselors dispersed throughout the NASSIG community help assist Sailors with finding answers as while.

"It is critical (getting the briefs) because if they get on board now and get the information they can make a better informed decision whether they are staying or getting out of the Navy," Dobison said. "If they do get out they can better know what their options are," added Dobison.

The briefs were open to anyone interested in the different options available, such as the LDO/CWO programs. Briefs targeted Junior Aviation Officers, senior enlisted, junior enlisted and enlisted and officer spouses.

"It is important for people to know one

point in their life were they want to go." Surface LDO/CWO assignments Lt. Cmdr Joan Malone stated. "People come to the brief, learn about and decide if that is the way they want to go," Malone said regarding the LDO/CWO community brief.

"I encourage folks to seek information about the program because I was an enlisted for 12 years, I have now been an officer for 12 years and have not regretted it ever since," reflected Malone.

"There are a lot of changes going on in the Navy right now and in the personnel world. By explaining those processes to folks, then they know how to be a success in their own careers," said Command Master Chief Bill Anderson.

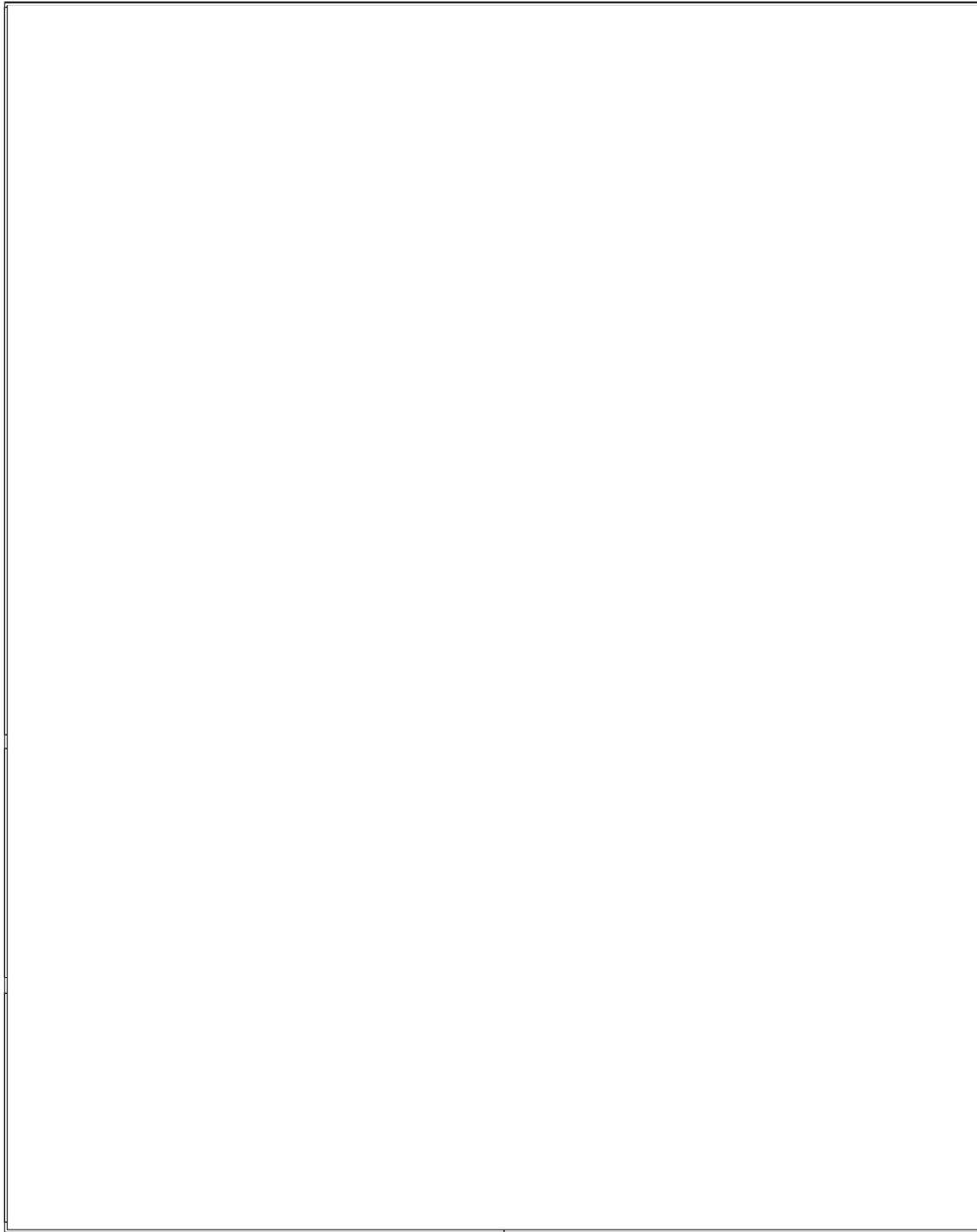
"In turn, the senior enlisted can take it down (information) and mentor the junior enlisted that

work for them, so that they understand, they have a handle on it and they are more effective Sailors," Anderson commented.

This Detailer Symposium and others given Navy wide bring results according to Anderson. "We take these symposiums all over the world.

We do a lot to aid in the Navy's retention. Right now we are at a historic high of eighty percent retention in the United States Navy. Thirty years ago the Navy's retention was at 13 percent."

"After 29 years in the Navy, I can't imagine a better thing to do than to give back to all the people who have helped through my Navy Career...I am able to give back to you, the Sailor, what is you need to be a success, perhaps be my relief," said Anderson.





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Italian firefighters dressed in chemical, biological and radiological suits set up a perimeter around a container suspected of carrying WMD during exercise Clever Sentinel.

the Obregon, which gives a greater touch of reality to the exercise and to the U.S. Navy ship Gonzalez, who also provided logistical support."

Clever Sentinel showed first hand what PSI is all about. "PSI is an American initiative, it was launched by the U.S. government," said Gary Robbins, Counselor for Political Military Affairs at the U.S. Embassy in Rome. "It involves several partner countries who have worked together to develop ways to fight jointly to oppose proliferation and terrorism, particularly with respect to movement through international spaces."

The exercise demonstrated that PSI can work on many levels. "It was to move all the way through the political, the legal and the diplomatic channels down to the actual military operations to carry out a PSI exercise," said Robbins. "This is a way that we can sort of shake the tree and see what mechanisms are in place, how well they work and above all to remedy weak points if we find them."

"The idea is to show that this operation can be done in a multinational context," said Lt. Larry Johnson, a Personnel Exchange Program (PEP) member from the U.S. Navy, attached to the operation

division of the Italian High Seas Commander. "But also at the same time to try to address some of the realities of the problems. That's the short notice, quick response and quick integration of the force and moving forward to find the targets in a complex environment. Any exercise at the end is always an exercise, but if you build it so it's more real, that's the benefit. Italy worked very hard to make this more real."

Capt. Wil Louwense, Legal advisor to Commander in Chief, Royal Netherlands Navy, was an observer for the evolution on April 22. He saw the importance for these kinds of operations to better prepare nations for the ongoing war on terrorism. "I think the nations have to cooperate because it's a worldwide problem," he said. "It's not easy for one nation to handle it. It affects all of us and we need to do something about

it." "Today we saw the U.S. Navy bring many assets to play here," continued Robbins. "That demonstrates the ongoing seriousness and purpose we have in making PSI come into its full development. PSI, done correctly, is plugging a very important gap that we've identified in our ability to deny terrorists' movement, movement of their assets and also to deny movement of other items that could potential harm U.S. security and the security of friends and partners."

The U.S. and its PSI partners found that the exercise was a chance to see how several different nations can cooperate. "I think it was a good chance for the nations not just to work together, but to show that they can work together in a fairly realistic scenario," said Johnson.



A crew member from a French AS-565 Panther helicopter looks on as a pilots gives a thumbs up during exercise Clever Sentinel 2004.



Sailors pitch in to clean Italian child daycare center

By JOSH Talley S. Reeve
Sixth Fleet Public Affairs Office

The courtyard was covered in fallen leaves; the garden littered with rotten oranges and choked with weeds; and in the back a small orange grove lay derelict with forgotten trash covering the ground. This challenge is what 13 Sailors from the USS La Salle (AGF 3) and the Sixth Fleet staff had come to clean, during a recent port call to Sicily.

The children played inside while the American Sailors worked outside at the San Antonio Istituto, in the small town of Priolo, Italy, on April 19.

The Sailors cleaned three areas of the Istituto: the first was a large area littered with fallen leaves and weeds; the second, a small garden with rotten oranges everywhere; and the last was an orange grove that had trash strewn across the ground. The Sailors worked quickly, clearing the areas of debris, laughing and having a good time the whole way through.

Information Systems Technician Petty Officer 2nd Class Eddie Babcock, a community relations volunteer, agreed. "I do projects like these because I enjoy helping people. I honestly do. I've done volunteer work since I was a teenager. I've been working at hospitals and schools. So it was natural for me to volunteer with the La Salle projects. I do it just to



PRIOLO, SICILY— Two Sailors work to clean up the San Antonio Istituto's main courtyard during a Sixth Fleet and USS La Salle (AGF 3) community relations project. Thirteen Sailors made up the work team that helped clean up the San Antonio Istituto Child Daycare Center.

see them smile," said Babcock.

Monday's community relations project was a small one compared to some in the past said Lt. Cmdr. Stan W. Fornea, the USS La Salle chaplain, with a smile. "Once when we were in Malta they asked us to dig ditches and we were happy to help. But that is what these projects are for, working hard and giving back to the community."

Like most places stateside, virtually every port that Sailors visit has people in need of assistance. The community relations projects organized by the Sixth Fleet and the La Salle are a way of showing that Sailors really do care. It's a way to show host countries that Sailors care about those that don't have as much.

Helping others and giving back to the community are the main reasons

for participating in community relations projects for most, but those in charge feel that volunteers get something out of it too.

"I believe that our Sailors feel they get a sense of personal accomplishment from our projects. Every time we put together one of these projects the roster fills up within one or two days after it's announced," said Fornea.

After the Sailors finished, a cleaner and more child friendly courtyard lay before them. At the sight of the finished job, the nuns had only one thing to say.

"Fantastico," cried Sister Evelina, the Istituto's Mother Superior. "Having the Americans here is truly a blessing. The money we receive here comes only from donations. And what little money we have, for cleaning, we give to an older gentleman, who helps out here. But sometimes we don't have enough and we, the sisters and I, have to do the outside cleaning ourselves."

When everything was completed, the nuns treated the Sailors to refreshments of Italian snacks and sodas. A humble gesture to repay the Sailors for the work they had done. Even with the free snacks, the Sailors knew the real signs of appreciation came from the faces of those that they had helped.

"You could see from the expressions on their faces, the nuns and the children, that they were really thankful for what we had done for them," said Babcock, grinning from ear to ear. "And that was what made it all worth it."

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across the board," Johnson noted. "None of the competitors were weak in any area, but Patrocky was probably the most well-rounded in knowledge of Navy programs and the application of that to her leadership abilities."

Patrocky has been in the Navy for 15 years, and spent almost two of those working as a command career counselor at Sigonella's Aviation Intermediate Maintenance Detachment.

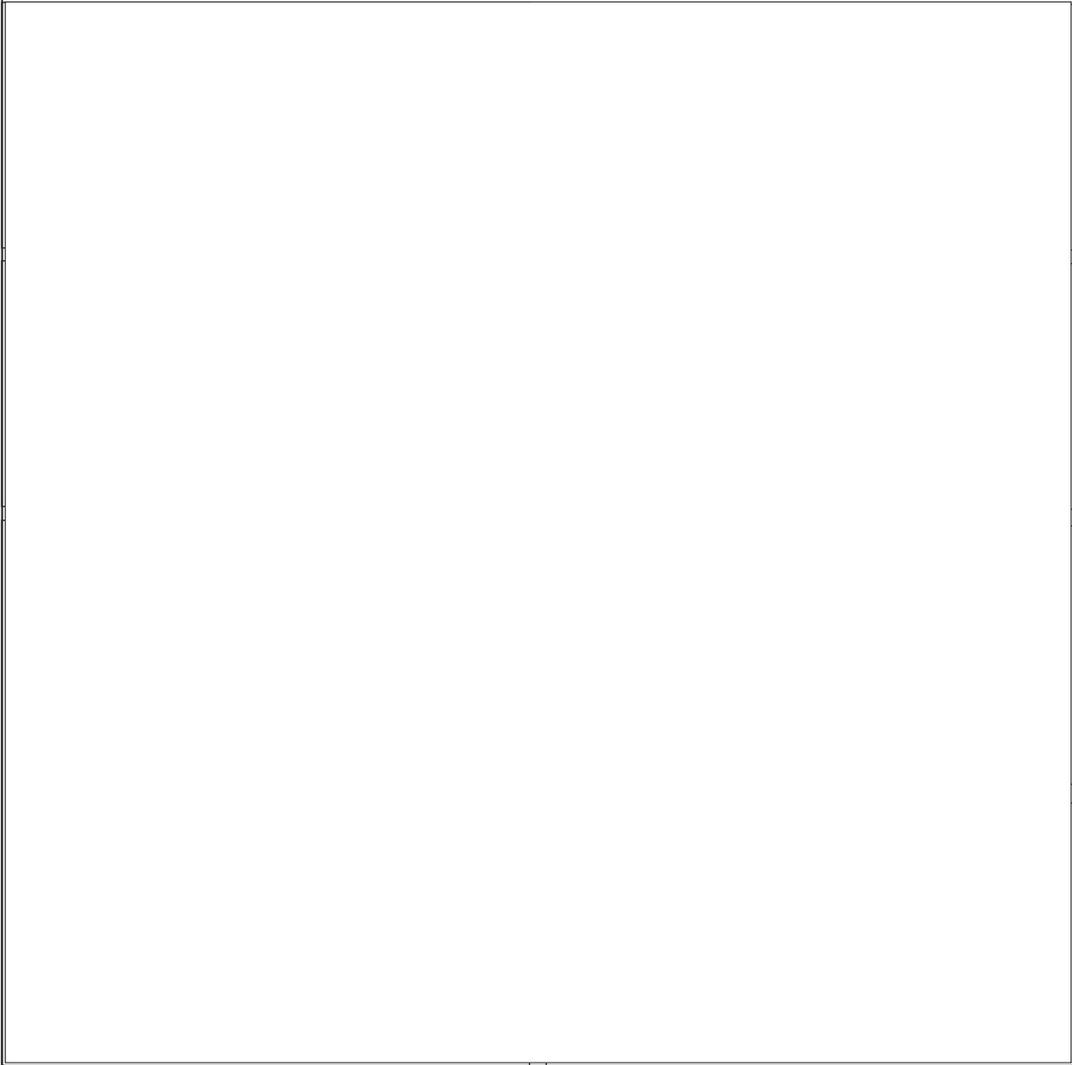
"I love what I do and do what I love," she said. "That's my reward for doing all this -- being able to take care of Sailors and help them further their careers."

Adm. Gregory Johnson, Commander, Naval European Command, was among the guest speakers at the Ciao Hall, and had many positive things to say not just about Patrocky, but all the competitors.

"The Sailors here today are making a statement about excellence," he asserted. "They have been performing at a level that puts them at the very top."

"I'm so proud, and inspired by their accomplishments, to be a part of this ceremony today. They are what is good and great about America, and they represent the Navy and their nation well."

Don't be a statistic ... slow down!



Signonellans DAREd to learn about drugs, alcohol

By ISSN Ryan Waggoner

Bright eyes and eager faces marked the morning as dozens of elementary school children filed into the chapel at Naval Air Station Sigonella. They had spent the last ten weeks learning about the dangers of drugs and alcohol and graduation day had finally arrived.

Since it was started in 1983 by the Los Angeles Police Department, the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program has been providing education to children around the world about the harmful effects of drug abuse and how to resist negative peer pressure. This year, five members of NAS Sigonella's own Security Department spent ten weeks teaching D.A.R.E. classes to fifth-graders at the Stephen Decatur Elementary School onboard NAS Sigonella.

"We taught the effects of peer pressure, how to deal with it, and how to use the D.A.R.E. decision making model in their daily lives," said MA1 Joe Allen, who is the D.A.R.E. program coordinator. "The kids taught us a lot as well, and I have a new-found respect for teachers and educators."

"I learned that D.A.R.E. helps you at an early age to not take drugs and the harmful side effects of them," said fifth-grader Delana Smith. "Most of this stuff I wouldn't have known if it wasn't for my D.A.R.E. teacher, Petty Officer Armah. I just can't thank him enough for teaching us all this stuff."

"There's nothing more exciting than to educate kids," said MA3 Samuel Armah, who was one of the D.A.R.E. instructors. "Kids are like a growing plant, and you have to take care of them so that they will grow into a strong healthy tree."

Fifth-grader Chelsea Harris said she "loved working with Ms. Michelle. She made me feel like I could tell her anything."

Four classes of fifth-graders were present at the graduation ceremony to receive their certificates of completion. In

order to graduate from the program, each student was required to write an essay of at least 200 words about what they had learned over the course of the program—four students were then selected to read their essays at the graduation ceremony. Each of the selected students also received a mountain bike and helmet.

Fifth-grader Sebastian Trippie wrote, "Most people start to use drugs because of peer pressure. Using the information from D.A.R.E. can help you stay drug free."

"Just a few weeks ago, I saw an 8th-grader smoking," wrote Kiki Simon. "I felt this cold cloud around me and it just made me want to snatch that cigarette away from her and throw it in the trash. It was just so sad thinking that she would make that choice."

As anyone can tell you, it is sometimes very hard to say no, even to things you know are harmful or dangerous. Even though these kids still have battles to fight against drugs and alcohol, thanks to the D.A.R.E. officers who faithfully taught them, they are now more prepared than ever to "Just Say No."



The Naval Air Station Sigonella Security Officer, Lt. Eddie Brinson speaks to fifth grade students from Stephen Decatur Elementary school at the recent Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) graduation held at the NAS I Chapel.

Trivia Answers

- 1) Eat it. It was a smelly fish sauce.
- 2) John C. Breckinridge
- 3) Archimedes
- 4) Dentistry
- 5) 10/7 or 1.42857142857

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recommends college credit for Navy training. Together, COE and ACE help Sailors get the most out of the Navy College Program.

"Currently, NPDC operates 14 learning centers with a combined 233 training sites," said Dull. "Accreditation means Sailors can take advantage of all those opportunities to further their career with an advanced degree."

To learn more about the Council on Occupational Education accreditation and American Council on Education credit recommendations, log into Navy Knowledge Online and visit the My Education page at www.ko.navy.mil.

For related news, visit the Naval Personnel Development Command/Task Force EXCEL Navy NewsStand page at www.news.navy.mil/local/tfe.

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Command's Learning Centers is completing the JTA-II for each of their assigned ratings.

The JTA process is an integral part of the Navy's Revolution in Training. The database created through the JTA will ultimately enable Sailors to see the skills they possess and the skills required for other jobs, as well as the training required for those jobs as a part of their

SVM Phase I, which served to classify all job tasks as skill objects, was completed for most rates last year.

Fleet Sailor input is an essential part of creating a roadmap that is an accurate reflection of what Sailors do, whether they are stationed on shore or at sea. The six week working groups were comprised of shore billeted Sailors and instructors the first two weeks, and fleet Sailors for the remaining four, as subject matter experts.

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1984 Honda Civic Wagon. Good Reliable transportation with no extras. Replaced engine in 98. Timing belt, water

pump & head gasket replaced last year. Fits 5 plus groceries. Lots of life left, \$500. x1496 or 348-895-4124

1993 Fiat Crona 2.0i, Full optional, P.S, P.W, climatronic. In excellent condition. Really nice family car, great for any traveling. Euro 1,800 O.B.O FMI call Rob at 3386170392.

1993 Renault 19 16valve 60K miles white w/black/red interior 2dr hatch back(female owned) pwr windows,locks,steering Racing style seats, aluminum rims with good tires new muffler,clutch,shocks,brakes, bearings, fuel filter, spark plugs and more. Fun car, small, clean and fast must sell FMI call Chris @5451(days) or Chen 333-789-4981(anytime)

1995 Honda Shadow cruiser(Japanese specs) Teal green, has 2 sets of pipes. Would come with Helmet, and vest. Transferring must sell \$1500.00 OBO. Motorcycle is AFI plated. Call 624-1264, available now!

1988 BMW 735i Excellent condition, fully loaded. All leather, power everything, blue, 4 door, A/C, manual, wood trim, kept all receipts. Inspection done, Euro plate. Must sell soon. Asking \$5,900 O.B.O. Cell 335-681-7831 / home 095-306527.

1997 Chevy Pickup. \$4,500 O.B.O. Call Bill at x6586 or 340-473-2938.

1991 Mercedes Benz 190E, 5 speed, 4 door, A/C, power windows/lock, runs well, \$2,700 OBO. Available end of May. Call Felix at 624-2975 or 335-569-8006.

1971 Mini Minor MK3, red, motor-good condition, body-good condition, all original. \$3800. Call Antonio at 624-3762 or 339-401-1979.

1993 Rover 214i, convertible, burgundy with black top—new convertible top, stereo with 12 CD changer, all maintenance performed regularly, new oil filter, new fuel filter, new air filter, new exhaust system, new thermostat, new head gasket. Radiator was flushed. Low mileage on tires. Call Matthew at 624-2783, 624-1351 (home), 340-594-3393 (cell).

1995 Opel Calibra 4X4 Turbo 2 door coupe, Silver, 204HP, 6 speed, Full Options, ABS, AC, PW, Sunroof, Leather, Kenwood AM/FM CD/MP3 player, AFI plated, Dealer maintained since possession. Excellent condition, run. Asking \$7500 O.B.O. Call Antonio Hodge 338-107-1028.

Alfa Romeo 33 in perfect condition. Must see. \$1,500 CALL 347-758-5654.

1996 Citroen Xantia Station Wagon MTL/C grey, A/C, air bags power windows and locks. Great condition. Asking \$2350.00. Call Joseph at 338-2185499.

2003 Honda CBR 600F4i with 1,700 miles exhaust and sprocket has been changed. Asking \$8,000 O.B.O. Serious Inquires Only. For More Information Call 340-822-0037.

1991 Volkswagen Polo, 4 cylinder, hatchback, sunroof, AM/FM Cassette radio, Safety inspection completed, and CT plated. Has dent in door and paint is worn. Reliable car. \$1,200 O.B.O. Call Louis or Laura at 095-727-0498.

1995 FIAT Punto Seletta 4DR, Automatic, AC, PW, Good condition, Reliable car, perfect for Sicily! \$4200 O.B.O. Call 340-972-5353 or 340-972-5354.

1995 Renault Clio, Automatic, 93,000K. \$2800 O.B.O. Ask for David at 095-308-786.

1993 Chevy Cavalier, Red, automatic, tinted windows, sunroof, working AC. Also has a single disc CD player installed. Good condition. Asking \$700 O.B.O. Call me, Farris, at 329-479-0660.

2000 Ford KA blue, A/C, power steering/windows/locks, dual airbag, alarm. Great gas mileage, \$6,500. Call 624-6406 (days) 095-727-1402 (eves).

Pets

Free to a good home. A Female cat very fluffy, gray and white indoor outdoor cat that loves to cuddle, good with kids, she is fixed and has no front clus. We are leaving may 4th and sadly are not able to take her with us Please call 3358314487.

Black female Labrador Retriever/Chow mixed dog, requires a loving home. All shots are up-to-date and she is potty trained and/or house broken. She enjoys walks, loves to play fetch, and is very active. She's a great guard dog with a good personality. POC: Williams at 624-6581/2705, 095-307-605 or 320-064-2144.

For Sale

Italian b/w leather couch and single sofa, black bedroom set, no mattress. White table with extension six-people, four modern chairs. Needs to be sold by April 26. Be prepared to pick up. Call Nilsa at x6455 or 335-1202163.

PCS items for sale. All 220V, three transformers \$30-\$45, three ceiling fans w/lights \$25-\$45, three standing fans \$10each. Call PO. Best at x1324.



Send II Mercato advertisements to sigosignature@yahoo.com

Italian language materials. Univ. of Maryland textbook. Oggi in Italian, 7th edition. \$20 (95% new on Amazon). Cassell's Italian Dictionary, \$5 (\$25 new). Barnum's Mastering Italian course \$15 (book + 15 compact discs, \$90 new). Call Erica at x1201/095-86-1201.

Selling two Intec Racing Wheels- "feel the bumps, crashes, and more with vibration feedback." For PlayStation, PlayStation2, PSone, Xbox, and GameCube. New in boxes (used once.) All needed cables included. Were \$60 new, asking \$20 for both OBO. Call Erica at x1201/095-86-1201.

Sofa and love seat Blue, Very Good \$5280.00. Medium Dog Kennel \$25.00, Ceiling FAN w Lights \$30.00, Kitchen or Bathroom Cabinet top/bottom pieces, \$30 call: 095-520298

Dining room table w/ built in leaf and 6 chairs. Light brown with fabric backing on chair back and seat areas. \$275 for all. Vespa/scooter helmet w/face shield, silver, brand new, \$30. Pair of heavy medium blue draperies, \$20. 220 volt car polisher, \$15. Covered cat litter box & car/airplane carrier, \$10 for both. New American BBQ tanks, \$10 (\$29 in the NEX). Very fine (625 holes per sq. in.) Mosquito nosem screen mesh material (\$4/yd), hardware, wood framing material. Cellular phone accessories, Nokia batteries, wall charger, cigarette lighter adapter, base cradle, carrying case - \$25 for all. Motorola Timeport cigarette lighter adapter, carrying case, owner's manual, - \$25. TIM chip w/credit - \$35 for all. Call 095-472-199 or 348-804-0463.

Loden Green full size sleeper sofa. Call Joy 624-9236 from 0915-1600 Or 095-52-9169 after 6 p.m.

Compaq Presario 915US notebook, \$1000.00 OBO, black & silver, 1.66 Mhz AMD Cpu, 256MB memory, 40 Gig HD, CD-RW/DVD combo drive, LAN, Modem, USB, 15" XGA Display, Contact David at: Phillipsd@Cox.Net.

For Sale: 2 Persian Carpets. Rose and Blue Tones. Both room size. 750 Euro for 1, 400 Euro for other. Paid 900 and 600, both in good condition, no damage, no wear, no stains. Only serious inquiries please. Call X3772 or email kate@kate@yahoocom. Located in Acicastello for viewing.

Wood bunk beds asking \$150 for the set. Call 624-0126.

Step 2 5 piece children's kitchen set includes Townhouse Laundry Center, Dishwasher sink, Refrigerator. The kitchenette and separate Pantry. All pieces in Great condition. Asking \$130. Call 624-0126.

Gsm cell phone 4 sale. Comes with charger, battery, leather cover ear phone set. Great cond. asking \$65 call or leave message 328 8464723 or 624 5287 ask for Daniel.

Coffee table with bottom shelf, oak veneer with inlaid brass, two smoked glass panels. Includes matching end table. \$55.00. Call Sylvia at 624-1237.

New never been used 5pc luggage set for sale \$325 obo Call Regina at 095-30-7947.

PCS SALE: AFN Decoder w/ Satellite Dish-\$400.00, Italian 5000 BTU Window A/C-\$30, PANASONIC EB-GD35 cell phone w/time on chip (Paid \$100, will sell for \$25), 220v Upright SLIMAX vacuum cleaner-\$20, EVERYTHING LISTED BELOW IS GOING FOR \$5. Brown 5 shelf bookcase; Kitchen Cabinets of various sizes; 220v Juicer; 220v Coffee Pot; CONAIR cell phone; 220 Alarm clock Radio, B&D Weed Eater; 2 Garden hoses w/ lawn sprinkler; Kitchen fire extinguisher; Box of Italian adapters(15-20); and several extension cords w/ surge protection. CALL DAN/CAREN at 095-522321 OR 340-417-7259.

Lots of movies priced between \$2. and \$4. Beautiful hand made quilt from India(King size)-\$100. Return throw net new \$20. Set of 5 Collectors edition budweiser steins \$200 for all, Cannon printer(needs ink) \$25, Call Chrstin @ 624-1264

VCR w/ remote (1yr. old) barely used \$50, Maternity cloths + 2 maternity uniforms B.O., 2 sets of English egg coddlers (Royal Worcester porcelain) still in original box-never used \$50 for both, Eddie Bauer car seat infant and up barely used \$70, ask about other baby items @ 624-1264

Two Persian wool carpets ...approx 9x12. Floral and Geometric Design. Both rose/pinks and blue/teal colors. No wear, damage. Paid 900 Euro and 600 Euro will sell for 750 and 450. 335-831-4496 or home 095-271826. Have certificate of authenticity on both.

Imac Blueberry G3 333 mhz for sale. This computer in Very Good condition. Great for children or can be used as a second computer. It has 32B ram, Os 8.6 .6 GB Hard Drive, virtual memory, built in speakers, USB Keyboard and mouse and power cord. This computer also comes with extra software such as Quick Time , MicroSoft Office 98, Presto Mr. Photo, Williams Sonoma Good Cooking and World Book and other software. Asking \$350 OBO. Call 347-118-2695.

PCS'ing in 3 weeks. Bombola heater; 25 euro, electric space heater; \$15. Call Farida at 329-479-0660.

For Sale: square wood coffee table. Traditional with claw feet. Four beveled glass inserts on table top. Paid \$149 will sell for \$70. Call Kathleen at X3772.

Little boy clothes! Sizes 2T-4T, name brands, bought new, & worn by only 1 child. Will sell each piece for \$1. Also have shoes, jackets, & PJs. Other items: Jeep brand umbrella stroller with shocks \$20, Radio Flyer tricycle \$10, diaper bag \$5, Radio Flyer Ride-on Firetruck \$20, Graco High Chair \$20, Lights a sound sit & spin toy \$10, and Century Bravo LX forward facing car seat for 20-40 lbs \$40. Please call x1396.

Everything must go! 220v Vacuum w/ attachments - \$25; 220 light fixtures, adapters, Italian phone, accessories; \$20; toaster, hair dryer, curling iron, radios -\$5; 220v Braun Iron -\$10; Ironing board - \$5; Treadmill - \$100; Mosquito bed net - \$20; Window & door Screens, various sizes, call

for prices. Sega system w/10 games - \$15; BBQ tanks -\$10; Bathroom vanity- \$5; Small rugs-\$10. Call 095-472-199 or 3488040463 even if you don't see it; we may have it.

Sports Cards no commons, selling in 20 card lots for \$15. Guaranteed 1 Lebron & 1 autograph or game used memorabilia or numbered superstar in each lot, guaranteed your money's worth. If interested call Jason at 095-522242. Single cards are also available.

Children's bunkbed and dresser, never used, \$400. Older children's bedroom set, all quality wood, \$500. 4 15" aluminum alloy rims with tires (185/95) \$50. Queen size bed, 3 years old, \$250. Contact Scott at 624-6102 or 095-30-9111.

Wanted

Gardener for my San Pietro Clarenza Home. 2 trees need to be trimmed, 1 is an olive tree. Plus some basic yard work and possible landscaping. Please do not respond if you are afraid of dogs. If interested call Joy 624-9236 from 0915-1600 or 095-52-9169 after 1800.

Someone to baby-sit that speaks English in home at San Nicolo (Act S.Filippo) Via Oliva S. Gauro #4. Call Riccardo Leonati at 095-765-5710.

Wanted bass player and vocalist for rock band, must have own equipment. If interested contact Chad @ 339-857-9584 or Justin @ 338-909-7163.

Large to x-large dog carrier/crate, vari-kennel type. Please call Jayson at Cell 340-082-6882 Home 624-8805 Work 624-5225.

American babysitter needed in Motta for weekends. Call X2203, 309-465 (home), 338-867-3565 (cell).

Wanted glider rocker or rocking chair. Call Melissa at 338-819-6802 or 095-86-0666.

Yard Sale

Large multi family yard sales. Mariani housing Saturday May 1st. 8a.m.-12p.m.

There will be a furniture in-house (garage) sale on 1ST & 2 May 2004 (Saturday and Sunday). Please call Luigi 333-471-7661 or Pat 333-761-2533 for directions.

Huge multi-family yard sale, Saturday, May 1st, 8am-4pm. Household items, exercise equipment, clothes & shoes, some new/all sizes and much more. 2219c Verous Street in Mariani Housing. Call Alura at 624-1500.

Jobs

Be part of a team committed to supporting the USN and your family! Navy Exchange Sigonella is currently looking for prospective associates To fill the following positions: Sales Clerk, Store Worker, Customer Service Clerk. For more information, visit the Personnel Office on the second floor of the main Navy Exchange, or contact Enzo Curcurato at 624-4276/75.

Navy Exchange Job Fair. On the spot interviews for various U.S. positions. Flexible schedules. Thursday, May 6, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. At the NEX conference room (Upstairs in administrative offices).

Public Notice of Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) Survey

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) and the Navy Medical Inspector General (MEDINSGEN) will conduct a joint accreditation survey of Naval Hospital Sigonella, to include Branch Medical Clinics Suda Bay and Bahrain, from 28 April 04 to 5 May 04.

The purpose of the survey will be to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally established Joint Commission and United States Navy standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether, and the conditions under which, accreditation should be awarded the organization.

Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field representatives. Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview with JCAHO must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:

Division of Accreditation Operations
Joint Commission on Accreditation of
Healthcare Organizations
One Renaissance Boulevard
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

The Joint Commission will acknowledge such requests in writing or by telephone and will inform the organization of the request for any interview. The organization will, in turn, notify the interviewee of the date, time, and place of the meeting.

Concerns may also be brought to the attention of the Medical Inspector General by calling 1-800-637-6175 or DSN 312-295-9018.

