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Exchange extends holiday return policy

To give extra convenience to military shoppers this holiday season, the Army & Air Force Exchange Service is extending its return policy.

The Exchange's standard policy allows returns anywhere from up to 15 to 90 days of purchase with a sales receipt. The holiday return/exchange policy extends these terms through Jan. 31, 2017.

USAG Benelux-Schinnen Volleyball/Basketball league

Players from Schinnen, Geilenkirchen, and Brunssum communities are welcomed to participate (US and NATO ID card holders) in these leagues.

If you love volleyball/basketball, sign up to establish teams/league. For more information contact the Schinnen Fitness Center, DSN 360-7561 or civilian +31 (0)46-4437561.



The representatives at the signing of the armistice pose in front of the railroad wagon in the forest of Compiègne, France, where the agreement was signed on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, putting an end to the World War I hostilities. Eversince, Nov. 11 is "Armistice Day" but also "Veterans' Day" in the United States, honoring all who served. (Historical photo)

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NOVEMBER IS MONTH OF THE MILITARY FAMILY

Special to the Gazette

"I am going crazy."

Those were the words of my desperate military spouse friend as she surveyed the chaos that is her home during deployment. With three kids between two and 8-years-old and a full time job, her life mostly moves from crises to crises. Bliss is a 10 minute solo grocery trip.

And yet she still has time to listen to me complain, seek counsel for my problems. She still holds the center of her home. She still gets care packages shipped on time.

When I look at her I see someone who deserves recognition. And I bet you know someone just like her.

So how can I show her my appreciation? "Thank you for your service" seems silly when it's someone who is doing the same thing I am. As we celebrate the annual November Military Family Appreciation Month here are a few ideas of ways to show our thanks for fellow military families who leave us in awe:

1. Volunteer your time. What this woman needs is something more than grocery shopping without the kids. What she needs is time alone in a spa. I may not be able to make her husband come home, but I can have her tribe over for a play date while she takes a break.

2. Share their passion. Some of the most amazing military spouses I know spend gobs of time volunteering with organizations or programs they think are important. Spend some time volunteering next to them as a way of showing that you care, too.

3. Leave an anonymous care package at the door. Ding-dong-ditch is extra fun when you can leave something amazing behind. Hit up TJ-Maxx and buy some supplies for the perfect bath (salts, scrubs, bubbles ...) or put together a movie night in a basket complete with fun flick, popcorn and snacky movie candy. Does your friend live far away? Try one of these ideas instead.

4. Listen. Take the time to find out what she (or he!) needs. Maybe the lawn looks great but caring for it is just about the last straw. Maybe the fur babies need some extra love while he is at work. Maybe all she needs is someone to talk to about what is really going on. Just listen.

This article originally appeared in Spousebuzz -- visit Spousebuzz for the latest news and advice about military family life.

Month of the Military Family Photo Contest



To celebrate Military Family Appreciation Month, USAG Benelux community members are invited to share their Military Family photographs and make a chance to win a two night stay at Edelweiss Lodge and Resort for you and a guest with no additional cost for children.

Enter a photograph that depicts your military family and respects the theme "Military families come in all sizes, shapes and forms." You can submit a maximum of two pictures via email at usarmy.benelux.imcom-europe.mbx.marketing@mail.mil. Click on the MWR contest link on www.benelux.armymwr.com for more information.

Photographs must be received by the close of business Friday, Nov. 18. Limit of two entries per person. The photographs will be posted on all three USAG Benelux community Facebook pages. The winner will be chosen by the photograph with the most likes.

Contest is open to all U.S., NATO, U.S. Mission and U.S. Embassy ID card holders who are 18 years of age and older.



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Chièvres Caserne and Air Base have ties to WWI and WWII

by **Valentin Wallers**

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Chièvres Air Base and Caserne Daumerie are both historical sites that played a major role during World War II.

Toward the end of World War I, the German military aviation landed in a meadow near Chièvres in October 1918 and developed a grass runway with one hangar. After the signing of the Armistice Nov. 11, 1918, German forces were forced to retreat and the land was returned to local farmers. However, this had been the first indication of what would later become a vital and strategic point for many battles.

With the onset of World War II, the Belgian government started construction of an emergency airfield at Chièvres. Work hadn't been completed when the Germans invaded Belgium in May 1940. They subsequently took over the construction of the airfield and developed Caserne Daumerie.

In September 1944, the Germans were forced to retreat, and Chièvres was liberated Sept. 3. The airfield was then used by Allied Forces until the end of WWII.

The newly instituted Belgian Air Force officially took over the base March 8, 1947, and established its 7th Wing: a unit specialized in daylight missions. The three squadrons that formed the 7th Wing were progressively inactivated, and the unit was completely dissolved in 1963. In 1967, the U.S. Army Garrison Benelux was officially established at Chièvres Air Base and Caserne Daumerie.

The construction of an airbase in Chièvres completely transformed the previously tranquil town. It contributed to the economic development of the region but also led to adverse effects due to intense fighting during WWII. Remnants of these past times are still present on the installation and provide an ever-present reminder of Chièvres history. Here are some examples:

Layout of Caserne Daumerie

Buildings were designed/arranged

to look like a traditional Belgian village, to allow them to blend into its surroundings when viewed from the air in order to deceive the enemy. Even a fake chapel was built on base to complete the camouflage. In order to maintain the illusion of agricultural activities the Germans also had 50 oxen and 100 sheep on the area. One building had been completed by the Belgians prior to WWII: Building 70023. Currently occupied by the Directorate of Emergency Services, it was used as field headquarters during wartime.



The guard House to Chièvres Air Base in WWII. The picture was taken at great personal risk by a member of the Belgian underground for British and American Intelligence. The markings on the photo were made by Intelligence analysts who removed the name of the area underground leader. (Archive photo)

Old Guard House

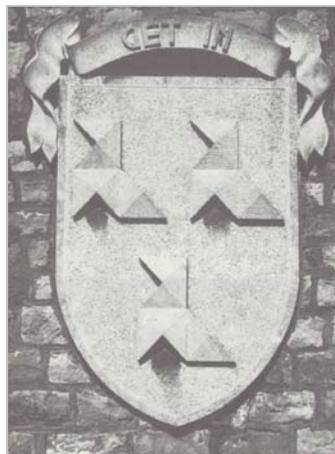
Located along the Chaussée de Mons, next to the current car-wash station, Building 20058 on Chièvres Air Base is one of the oldest on the installation. It was used as a shelter/guardhouse for the sentinel who protected the airfield's access gate during WWII.

Three "cocottes" stone plate

These three origami shapes, commonly called cocotte in French, form the emblem of the 7th Wing.

Each represents a bird and wears the color of the squadron it embodies:

- The 7th Squadron is the red cocotte.



Three "cocottes" stone plate. (Archive photo)



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Caserne and Air Base have ties to WWI and WWII - Continued

- The 8th Squadron is the blue cocotte.

- The 9th Squadron is the green cocotte.

This emblem is still visible on the enclosure wall of Caserne Daumerie, along the Grand'Rue; and on the chimney of Grandma's Attic.

The installation also has other objects of cultural interest, such as the Sherman tank, F-84 and Meteor airplanes, bunkers, the Bell Tower and more.

To learn more about the installation's history, visit <http://www.mibac.be>, the website of the Musée International de la Base Aérienne de Chièvres (International Museum of Chièvres Air Base).

Now closed for winter, the museum in Chièvres will reopen April 1.



Building 7 on Caserne Daumerie during WWII. The damage on the roof is from one of the numerous bombings made on Chièvres towards the end of the war. (Archive photo)

Caserne is named after Belgian Officer

The caserne is named after Lieutenant Colonel Joseph Daumerie, Director, Civil Air Traffic Command and Belgian Air Force Reserve Lieutenant Colonel.

Lieutenant Colonel Joseph Daumerie was born in 1888 in Brugelette.

In 1913, he became a Lieutenant and got his military pilot's license in 1914.

During WWI, he carried out a lot of successful reconnaissance missions; but during one of these missions, his plane was shot down. Joseph Daumerie was made prisoner.

Because of his injuries, he was transferred to Switzerland, where he stayed until the end of the war.

At the end of WWI, he returned to France, thanks to an exchange of prisoners. On the day of the armistice, he was in the Belgian school of Juvisy, for training. In 1920, he was the manager of the Aviation School in Asch (Germany). In 1933, Colonel Daumerie became the Director of the Civilian Aeronautical Administration, which was part of the Ministry of Communications. In 1940, the Germans invaded Belgium again. Colonel Daumerie was amongst the first ones to organize an intelligence service and an evacuation line towards Great Britain.

On May 16, 1941 the Gestapo arrested him and sent him as a prisoner to the Saint-Gilles prison, then to the Lübeck prison. His trial took place in Berlin in April 1942. He was sentenced to death, as well as five other members of the intelligence service, and was executed on August 26, 1942.



Armistice Day

In 1918, on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, World War I hostilities ended.

Nov. 11 became "Armistice Day," a universally recognized day of commemoration honoring not only the military victims of both wars but also the civilian ones.

Many Belgian cities will host a commemoration at 11 a.m. tomorrow.

USAG Benelux will be participating in the following ceremonies:

- **Chièvres**, Nov. 11 starting with a religious service at the Chièvres Church at 9 a.m., followed by a parade at the end of the service heading to the Chièvres cemetery and back to the war monument in front of the city hall for a wreath laying ceremony.

- **Brugelette**, Nov. 11 starting with a religious service at the Brugelette Church at 10:30 a.m., followed by a parade through town with three wreath laying ceremonies, among which at Lt. Col. Joseph Daumerie's plaque.

November 14-20 is American Education Week

Special to the Gazette

USAG Benelux-Schinnen Education Center will be celebrating American Education week, Nov. 16. The celebration will take place on two locations, in Building 13 at Schinnen and in front of the B&S at JFC Brunssum. Both from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come and visit at one of the two locations for good information and refreshments.

University of Maryland University College Europe National Testing Centers across Europe and downrange are also celebrating American Education Week with Testing Marathons. Appointments are not needed, so test takers can stop by the education center and take as many exams as fit their schedules. These events are open to students and anyone in the local military community who would like to start earning credits quickly. It is also an excellent opportunity for high school students to get a head start on earning college

credits while still in Europe.

The Testing Marathons are open to all U.S. military members, their families, and government service civilians with a Department of Defense ID card. The goal of Testing Marathons are to shorten the time it takes for servicemembers and civilians to earn a college degree.

CLEP and DSST tests are 90-minutes long and are accepted at more than 2,900 colleges and universities in addition to UMUC. These tests are funded by DANTES and are available at no-cost to servicemembers the first time they take each test. Civilians pay \$80 per test plus a sitting fee. All exam results are available immediately.

UMUCEurope is also offering a \$50 application fee waiver for all new students who apply to the university during American Education Week.

Campaign progress for the U.S. Army in Europe units

Upcoming organized trips

SHAPE Trips and Tours

Serving Brussels, Chièvres and SHAPE. Call DSN 423-3884 or civilian 065-443884.

- **Flanders Field/World War I tour, Ieper (Ypres), Belgium, Nov. 12**
- **Lord of the Dance in Oostende, Nov. 19**
- **Ice Magic Hasselt, Nov. 26**
- **German Christmas markets (Rothenburg, Frankfurt/Main and Aachen), Dec. 3 to 4**
- **German Christmas markets (Bonn/Cologne), Dec. 10**
- **German Christmas markets (Dortmund, Berlin and Potsdam), Dec. 16 to 18**
- **Paris in winter, Dec. 27**
- **New Year's in London, Dec. 30 to Jan. 2, 2017 (Sign up by Nov. 16.)**
- **London with Aladdin, Feb. 4, 2017**
- **Prague, Czech Republic, Feb. 25 to March 1, 2017**
- **Lloret de Mar and Barcelona, Spain, April 3 to 12,**

2017 (spring break)

- **Crete, Spa and Middelkerke, all year**

SHAPE Travel Group

For details, visit <http://www.facebook.com/groups/SHAPETraTravelGroup>.

- **Taste of Belgium, Nov. 15**
- **Cologne Christmas markets, Nov. 22**
- **Valkenburg, the Netherlands, Nov. 29**
- **Canterbury, Dec. 8**
- **Paris Lights, Dec. 15**
- **London sales, Jan. 19, 2017**

Schinnen Trips & Tours

Call DSN 360-7560 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437560.

- **Paris, Nov. 19**
- **Cologne Christmas Markets, Dec. 3**
- **London Express, Dec. 17**
- **Malgrat de Mar, Spain, April 14 to 23, 2017**

ALL COMMUNITIES

Register now

- **Take VTC-projected classes** - To sign up, call DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824 for SHAPE ACS, DSN 368-9783 or civilian 02-7179783 for Brussels ACS and DSN 360-7500 or civilian +31 (0)46-4437500.
- **Nov. 15: Emotional Regulation Part II** from noon to 1 p.m.
- **Nov. 16: Ready to PCS** - Hosted by ACS, starting at 11 a.m.
- **Nov. 17: Winter Blues** - Hosted by ACS, starting at 10 a.m.
- **Nov. 17: SHARP Training** from 1 to 4 p.m.

BRUSSELS COMMUNITY

Register now

- **CYSS Youth Sports & Fitness Volleyball Clinic** - Register until Nov. 14 for season starting Nov. 15 through Nov. 18. Cost is \$20. For information, call DSN 368-9651 or civilian 02-7179651.
- **CYSS Youth Sports & Fitness Winter Cheerleading** - Open to children ages six to 12. Spaces are limited based on availability of court space and volunteer coaches. Registration is \$40 and open until Dec. 31. Cheerleading season runs from Jan. 3 to March 19, 2017. Volunteer coaches are needed and will receive a discounted registration fee.
- **CYSS Youth Sports & Fitness Winter Basketball** - Open to children ages three to 15. Spaces are limited based on availability of court space and volunteer coaches. Registration is open until Dec. 31. Basketball season runs from Jan. 3 to Feb. 27, 2017. Volunteer coaches are needed and will receive a discounted registration fee. For more information on winter cheerleading and basketball registration fees, practice times, and sports physical requirements, contact the Youth Sports and Fitness Office at DSN 368-9539 or 02-7179539.

Nov. 10

- **Photography Workshop** - Fifth and last part of the workshop is held at the 3 Star at 7 p.m. Class is taught by a former Army combat photographer. Cost is \$10 for all sessions. To register, call DSN 368-9822 or civilian 02-7179822.

Nov. 16

- **The Brussels Auto Skills Center** is open Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Nov. 17

- **3 Star Dinner Special** - BBQ chicken and ribs, salads and baked beans as of 5:30 p.m. Cost: adults \$12, children, ages 12 and under, \$6. For details, call DSN 368-9822 or civilian 02-7179822. Reserve by close of business the Tuesday before at reservations3star@yahoo.com.

SHAPE/CHIEVRES COMMUNITY

Register now

- **"It's All About You"** - Army Community Service Resiliency Seminar "It's All About You" in the SHAPE 100 Area Auditorium in Building 102's Room 115 **Dec. 2** from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. This seminar will present motivational speaker Joseph Oubelkas of the Netherlands and Charles Ruffolo of NetworKing. To register for this event and for information about the shuttle, contact Brussels ACS at DSN 368-9783 or civilian 02-7179783.

Nov. 12

- **Canadian Christmas Market** - The market is held at the International School Cafeteria from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. with a visit from Santa Claus at 1 p.m.

Nov. 15

- **U.S. Town Hall and Information Fair** - Meet with community leaders and agencies to ask questions and receive information. The information fair begins at 3:30 p.m. and the town hall Q&A at 4 p.m. at the SHAPE Events Center. The event is open to all U.S. service members, civilians, and dependents. AFN will also broadcast the event live for those who cannot attend. For more information, contact USNMR at DSN 423-4032 or commercial 065-444032.

Tickets available now

- **SHAPE Performing Arts Centre** - Winner of the Tony and the Drama Desk Awards for Best Book, "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" will be shown at 7:30 p.m. **Nov. 10, 11, 12, 17, 18 and 19.** Matinee performances will be at 3 p.m. **Nov. 13 and 20.** For details on ticket sales, call DSN 423-3312 or civilian 065-443312 Tuesday through Friday from 1 to 6 p.m.

New operating hours

At the Chièvres Fitness Center:

Monday 6 a.m. - 9 p.m.
 Tuesday 6 a.m. - 9 p.m.
 Wednesday 6 a.m. - 9 p.m.
 Thursday 6 a.m. - 9 p.m.
 Friday 6 a.m. - 8 p.m.
 Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 Sunday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 U.S. Holidays 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
 USAREUR Training Holidays 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.

At the Chièvres Outdoor Recreation:

Tuesday-Friday noon - 6 p.m.
 Saturday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

SCHINNEN/BRUNSSUM COMMUNITY

Register now

- **Veteran's Administration One-On-One Appointment** - The Veteran's Administration (VA) will have a staff member at JFC Brunssum Library Conference Room on **Nov. 21-22 & 28** from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to meet with anyone who would like a one-on-one appointment. If you have any questions about your Veteran's benefits, now or in the future, this is the person to speak with. To schedule an appointment, please call DSN: 314-606-244-3848 or civilian +31 (0)45-5263848.
- **Babysitting Certification Course** - This free course is held **Nov. 21-25** from 4 to 7 p.m. every day at JFC Brunssum MST. We need a minimum of 5 participants and a maximum of 10. Participants must be 13-18 years of age and be registered with CYS Services. For more information contact DSN 606.244.3121 or civilian +31 (0)45-5263121.
- **JFC Chapel Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner** - Register by Nov. 18. The potluck is **Nov. 24** at the JFC Brunssum Alliance Restaurant from 6 to 8 p.m. Bring a dish or two to share. To register, sign up on the bulletin board in the chapel foyer, first floor.
- **Winter Clinic Snowboarding** - Open enrollment for ages 10 to 18 until Nov. 11 at the CYSS on JFC Brunssum, Building H602. Clinic dates: **Dec. 7 & 14; Jan. 11, 18 & 25; Feb. 1 & 8**. Cost is \$280 paid at time of registration (incl. transportation, helmet, skis or snowboard, 2 hours of professional instruction). You must be registered with CYS services and have a valid health assessment at the time of enrollment. Contact CYSS Sports & Fitness for more information or details at DSN 606-244-3121 or civilian +31 (0)45-5264195.
- **Jr. Girls Basketball** - Enrollment is open for ages 13 to 15 until Nov. 25 (spaces are limited) at the CYSS on JFC Brunssum, Building H602. The 2017 season is from Jan. 17 to Feb. 25. Cost is \$40. You must be registered with CYS services and have a valid health assessment at the time of enrollment. Contact CYSS Sports & Fitness for more information or details at DSN 606-244-3121 or civilian +31 (0)45-5264195.
- **Co-ed Basketball** - Enrollment is open for ages three to 15 years until Nov. 25 (spaces are limited) at the CYSS on JFC Brunssum, Building H602. This is for the 2017 season which runs from Jan. 17 to Feb. 25. Cost is \$20 for children 3 to 5 years old and \$40 for six to 15 year olds. You must be registered with CYS services and have a valid health assessment at the time of enrollment. Contact CYSS Sports & Fitness for more information or details at DSN 606-244-3121 or civilian +31 (0)45-5264195.
- **Cheerleading** - Open to children ages six to 15 years old until Nov. 25 (spaces are limited) at the CYSS on JFC Brunssum, Building H602. The 2017 season is from Jan. 17 to Feb. 25. Cost is \$40. You must be registered with CYS services and have a valid health assessment at the time of enrollment. Contact CYSS Sports & Fitness for more information or details at DSN 606-244-3121 or civilian +31 (0)45-5264195.

Nov. 16

- **Monthly Parent Support/Parent Child Connection Group** - For any families that are expecting or have a child under the age of 3 at Schinnen ACS from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Nov. 16-17

- **New Parent Support Home Visitor** - Is available for office hours, hospital and home visits to all US ID Card holders. To schedule an appointment call ACS at DSN 360-7500 or civilian +31 (0)46-4437500.

Nov. 17-18

- **Host Nation Orientation/Newcomers' Tour** - From 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at USAG Benelux-Schinnen ACS. All newcomers and spouses are invited to learn about your new community, including local customs, culture, and language. Day one consists of local briefings from agencies and Dutch language and culture training. Day two, we go beyond the gate to learn and utilize the public transportation to visit points of interest in the community. For more information or to register, please call DSN 360-7512/7500 or civilian +31 (0)46-4437512/7500.

Movies at Events Centre during SHAPE Cinema renovations

The Events Centre dinner theater is now open during SHAPE Cinema renovations. The cinema is expected to reopen in February. The ECDT ticket sales are as follows: Rates – 2D movies: adults, €6.50; children, ages 12 and under, €3.75. 3D movies: adults, €8.50; children, ages 12 and under, €5.75. Visit <http://www.shape2day.com>, and click "Cinema Schedule" icon. Ticket sales begin 30 minutes prior to each showing. Films will start promptly. Wild Wednesday and Thrifty Thursday mean half-price popcorn and free movies as well as half-price pizza and calzone at the Pizza Bowl. Wednesday movies will be for teenagers and older. Thursday movies will be from the same film series (or related subject matter) as an upcoming film.

Movies at JFC HQ Alliance Theater

Rates – adults, €6.50; children, ages 11 and under, €3.75. For the movie schedule, visit <http://www.shopmyexchange.com/reel-time-theatres/Schinnen-1366146>.



Read about events near Chièvres, SHAPE and Brussels.

Nov. 10-13

- **Showing of "Captain Fantastic" in English in Ath** - At the Cinéma l'Ecran, Rue du Gouvernement, movie is showing at 6 p.m. on Thursday, at 8:30 p.m. on Friday, at 3:45 p.m. on Saturday and at 5:45 on Sunday.

Nov. 11

- **Volksmarch in Ecaussinnes d'Enghien for 5, 10 and 20 km** - Departs from Rue Maurice Legrand 3 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Mons for 5, 10, 15 and 20 km** - Departs from Chaussée de Beaumont 21 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Nov. 11 to 13

- **International Brussels Tattoo Convention** - Held at Tour & Taxis on Avenue du Port 86C. More than 350 international tattoo artists will be there. Find more information at <http://www.brusselstattooconvention.be/>.

Nov. 13

- **Volksmarch in Basècles for 5, 10, 15 and 20 km** - Departs from Rue des Déportés 21 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Flea market in Mons** at the Lotto Mons Expo on Avenue Thomas Edison 2 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: €2.

Ongoing

Through Nov. 13

- **Household fair in Charleroi** - Offers entertainment and products for the whole family: food, beers, local products, furniture, cars and more. The fair is held at Charleroi Expo on Rue de l'Ancre 3. Open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. during the week and to 7 p.m. on weekends and holidays. Find more information at <http://www.artmenagers.be>.

Through Nov. 13

- **Watercolors exhibition in Mons** - held at the Maison de la Mémoire on Rue du Grand Trou Oudart from 9 a.m. to noon and from 2 to 5 p.m. during the week and from 2 to 5 p.m. during the weekend.

Through Dec. 8

- **Brussels museums late night opening** - Every Thursday at least five museums greet visitors from 5 to 10 p.m. Find the schedule and the list of participating museums at <http://brusselismuseumsnocturnes.be/en/>.

Through March 5

- **Picasso Sculptures Exhibition in Brussels** - Held at the Palais des Beaux-Arts on Rue Ravenstein 23. Find more information at <http://www.bozar.be/en>.



Read about events near Brunssum and Schinnen (in the Netherlands unless otherwise indicated).

Nov. 10 to 13

- **La Table Fair in Naarden** - Christmas Fair held at Grote Kerk in the center on Grote Markt 13 will feature more than 50 antique and modern china vendors. Entry is €15 and free for children 13 and younger. Open Nov. 10 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Nov. 11 from 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Nov. 12 to 13 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Norwegian Christmas Fair in Rotterdam** - At Noorse Zeemanskerk (Norwegian Naval Church) on Westzeedijk 300. Open: Thursday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m.

Nov. 11-12

- **"De Tasty" in Utrecht** - This culinary lifestyle event is held in Jaarbeurs on Jaarbeursplein 6. Admission is €25. Open: Friday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Nov. 11-13

- **ArtArnhem in Arnhem** - Large Art Fair held in the Eusebiuskerk (church) on Kerkplein 1. Open: Nov. 11, 6 to 10 p.m. and Nov. 12-13, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is €6.

Nov. 12-13

- **Open House Days at Delft** - Open House at Royal Delft Blue Museum and factory, Rotterdamseweg 196 with demonstrations, guided tours, a special sale and lots more. Open: Nov. 12, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Nov. 13, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **The Christmas Market in Velbert, Germany** - Held in and around Castle Hardenberg which is beautifully illuminated with lanterns. Open: Saturday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday, 1 to 7 p.m.

Nov. 13

- **Warm Winter Curiosa Fair in Oosterbeek** - Held on Stephanieweg, this fair is held every year and has special and exclusive curiosa to offer. Entry is free and the fair is open from noon to 5 p.m.

Ongoing

Through Nov. 13

- **Jaarbeurs in Roeselare, Belgium** - Held at Expo Roeselare on Diksmuidsesteenweg 400. This fair has more than 190 participants displaying their products and services. Open all days from 2 to 7 p.m. except on Thursday from 2 to 10 p.m. Admission is €7.

Remain vigilant, and maintain situational awareness at all times.