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Published for members of the SHAPE/Chièvres, Brussels and Schinnen communities

Benelux news briefs

3 Star Lounge closes

The USAG Benelux-Brussels 3-Star Lounge is closed temporarily as new staff is hired and trained.

Contact DFMWR at DSN 368-9680 or civilian 02-7179680 if you have questions.

Brussels closures

In preparation for the Brussels American Independence Day Celebration July 5, the following facilities will adjust their hours of operation:

- Fitness Center

Closed July 1, 4, 5, 6, 7.

Open July 2 to 3 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

- Auto Skills

Closed July 2 to 9.

- Library

Closed July 4 to 7.

Schinnen closures

Schinnen offices closing around Independence Day are:

- Netherlands Law Center

No U.S. services (notary, power of attorney, wills, taxes) will be available July 4 or July 7.

The Pin Point Café and Bowling Center

Closed July 4 and 5.

- Schinnen Fitness Center

Closed July 5.



Teens reach out through service with Club Beyond

Nina Tarr and Veronica Mena clean up some playground equipment at Les Bourgeons children's facility in Colfontaine, Belgium, June 20 during a Club Beyond service-project weekend that involved five chapters of the faith-based teen organization. (U.S. Army photo by Andrea Wales)

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Benelux communities celebrate Independence Day soon

Brussels - The Brussels American Community Independence Day Celebration is scheduled for July 5 from 3 to 11:30 p.m. at the Sterrebeek Annex. Enjoy barbecue and food-vendor fare, watch the children play on the bouncy castle, and be entertained by the SHAPE Band and a fireworks display. The event will also have a water slide, field games and vehicle displays. For details, call DFMWR at DSN 368-9667 or civilian 02-7179667.

In related news, the Firecracker Fun Run 5-kilometer race or 10-kilometer race is set for July 5 at 9 a.m. Sign up at the USAG Benelux-Brussels Fitness Center soon. Call DSN 368-9667 or civilian 02-7179667.

Schinnen/Brunssum - Come out to the Brunssum Sports Field to celebrate Independence Day July 5 from 2 p.m. to midnight. It's a day filled with family activities, food booths, live bands and disc jockey, games, entertainment and fireworks. It's open to US/NATO ID card holders and their guests. No coolers or picnic baskets. No pets. For details, call DSN 360-7561 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437561.

Athletic activities, sponsored by the JFC Brunssum Sports Complex, will also be held July 5. The Splash and Dash Fun Run starts at 10 a.m. Ameri-Fest sports competitions in flag football, volleyball and kickball start at 2 p.m.

SHAPE/Chièvres - The Benelux/Chièvres community invites you to come celebrate Independence Day at the SHAPE shopping area July Fourth from noon to 11 p.m. Open to all SHAPE ID cardholders. Carnival rides and a live AFN broadcast with a dance contest are only a few of the things that you will find there. SHAPE Band Task Force X will play, and the festivities will conclude with a fireworks display. Those who are still in a celebratory mood may go to the SHAPE Events Center where the party will continue. Call DSN 361-5643 or civilian 068-275643.

Volunteers are needed to help out with the celebration at SHAPE. All Shapians are welcome to volunteer. Register online at <http://chievres.armymwr.com/europe/chievres/chievres-events/independence-day-2014/independence-day-2014-volunteer-opportunities/#.U42bRyijJfc>.



Chièvres welcomes newcomers

Bruno Lefebvre, Chièvres mayor, and Command Sgt. Maj. Robert Carter, U.S. Army Garrison Benelux, warm up for a game of cornhole, or corn toss, at the Chièvres newcomers welcome June 22. Carter brought the game to the event to let Belgian community members learn a little bit about the American game. Other Americans and Belgians played the game throughout the day while listening to several band performances, including the SHAPE Band. (U.S. Army photo by Keith Houin.)

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Club Beyond teens do service work in Belgian community

By Andrea Wales

U.S. Army Garrison Benelux Public Affairs

"It's a really great experience," said Katelin "Kate" Quanbeck, 17, of the Brussels chapter of Club Beyond. "It's life-changing."

More than 100 students and adult leaders from five military communities worked at three different Belgian sites – Les Bourgeois children's facility in Colfontaine, Evangelische Theologische Faculteit (ETF) in Leuven and Betel International in Châtelet – June 19 to 23 during Club Beyond's annual service-project weekend.

At night, the group stayed in a monastery in Leuven, Belgium, after working on playgrounds, murals and other projects that needed tackling.

Club Beyond is a chapel-based, community-focused, ecumenical program for middle-school and high-school youths, according to Diane Michaelis, Club Beyond's USAG Benelux-Brussels community director who was a driving force behind this year's service projects.

"Service project is often teens' favorite trip because they get to experience the joy of giving back -- something that's incredibly important for students to learn," Michaelis said.

Judging from the results, they learned the lesson.

"They're making a difference in the world," motivational speaker Paul Bowman of Ireland said. Bowman played a big part in the nightly "Club" sessions, which could be considered devotions and fellowship rolled into one.

Words, music and service united the teens and strengthened their purpose that weekend.

"Music can inspire them, and it helps bring people together. There is unity in music," said Trevor Hager, a musician who performs inspirational music with American Idol finalist Phil Stacey during "Club." Hager and Stacey are two solo artists working together.

Fueled by inspirational messages, Club Beyond teens from Joint Forces Command Brunssum; Brussels; Royal Air Force Menwith Hill, United Kingdom; SHAPE; and Vicenza, Italy; came together for a common purpose -- serving others through work.

"When people serve, it breaks down walls because it's not about them (Club Beyond teens) as individuals; it's about what they are called to do together," Michaelis said. "These kids have really big hearts, and they love to give back."

One teen had her own perspective on the concept of having a servant's heart.

"Service projects take you out of your comfort zone and really stretch you," Quanbeck said.

Stepping "out of your comfort zone helps you see other people in a different light and makes you want to connect with them," she said. "It makes you want to reach out and serve them."



Nina Tarr power-washes playground equipment June 20.

Sawing a plank is only a small part of one of the three high-school service projects completed through Club Beyond's multi-garrison effort involving more than 100 teenagers and adults.



Mariah McCarroll paints a sunflower on a mural June 20.

Club Beyond members shovel mulch into a playground area at Les Bourgeois in Colfontaine, Belgium, June 20. Participants hail from Joint Forces Command Brunssum; Brussels; Royal Air Force Menwith Hill, United Kingdom; SHAPE; and Vicenza, Italy. (U.S. Army photos by Andrea Wales)



Trenches to Foxholes

This week in World War history (June 22 to 28)

World War I

June 22, 1916 - The Germans resume their offensive near Verdun, targeting Fort Souville, which overlooks the city and the Meuse bridges. Using poisonous phosgene gas at the start of the attack, they initially take the village of Fleury just two miles north of Verdun, but further advance southward is halted by a strong French counter-attack. Verdun has now become a battle of attrition for both sides with a death toll approaching 500,000 men.

June 23, 1915 - The Italian army attacks Austro-Hungarian positions near the Isonzo River, in the eastern section of the Italian front; it will become the first of 12 Battles of the Isonzo fought during World War I.

June 24, 1915 - Oswald Boelcke makes the first operational flight of the Fokker Eindecker. The Fokker E is the first combat aircraft in the world to be equipped with a forward-firing, fixed machine-gun synchronized to fire between the propeller blades. It puts the German Air Service far ahead of the Allied air forces for several months during the summer of 1915. The Fokker E, plane makes German pilots like Boelcke and Max Immelmann into national heroes, as the number of their kills increases exponentially.

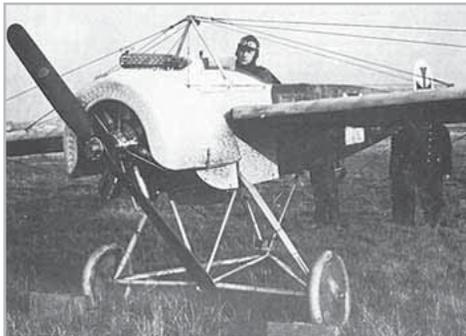
The years of the First World War, 1914 to 1918, see a staggering improvement not only in aircraft production, but also in technology, on both sides of the conflict.

June 24, 1916 - The Allies begin a weeklong artillery bombardment of German defensive positions on the Somme River in northern France. More than 1.5 million shells are fired along a 15-mile front.

June 26, 1917 - The first 14,000 U.S. infantry troops land in France at the port of Saint Nazaire. The landing site had been kept secret because of the menace of German submarines, but by the time the Americans line up to take their first salute on French soil, an enthusiastic crowd has gathered to welcome them. However, the "Doughboys," as the British refer to the green American troops, are untrained, ill-equipped, and far from ready for the difficulties of fighting along the Western Front.

One of American Gen. John J. Pershing's first duties as commander of the American Expeditionary Force is to set up training camps in France and establish communication and supply networks.

June 28, 1914 - Archduke Franz Ferdinand of Austria, heir presumptive to the Austro-Hungarian throne, and his wife, Sophie, Duchess of Hohenberg, are assassinated in Sarajevo.



German pilot in a Fokker Eindecker.

World War II

June 22, 1945 - The U.S. 10th Army overcomes the last major pockets of Japanese resistance on Okinawa Island, ending one of the bloodiest battles of World War II. Japanese Lt. Gen. Mitsuru Ushijima, the commander of Okinawa's defense, commits suicide with a number of Japanese officers and troops rather than surrender.

- Norwegian tanker Nortind, damaged by German submarine U-67 in the Gulf of Mexico two days prior, arrived at New Orleans for repairs.

- German submarine U-202 sinks Argentinean ship Rio Tercero 120 miles southeast of New York, N.Y., at 12:34 p.m. Five are killed, and 37 survive.

- Nine Beaufort aircraft of British No. 217 Squadron and six Beaufighter aircraft of No. 235 Squadron launch from Malta to attack an Axis convoy sailing from Naples, Italy, to Tripoli, Libya; German freighter Reichenfels is sunk while three Beaufort aircraft are shot down.

- Swordfish torpedo bombers of 830 Squadron of British Fleet Air Arm are launched from Malta to attack Italian destroyer Strale, forcing Strale to run aground near Cape Bon, Tunisia, to avoid sinking.

June 23, 1942 - Anxious to learn the secrets of the Luftwaffe's new Focke-Wulf 190 fighter, the British were planning a Commando-type raid to steal one from a French airfield. They are saved the trouble when disorientated German pilot Lt. Arnim Faber lands his Fw 190A-3 fighter at RAF Pembrey in South Wales, United Kingdom, mistaking it for an airfield in France.

The captured aircraft is taken to the Air Fighting Development Unit at Duxford, England, United Kingdom, where it is discovered, during trials, that the Fw 190 is superior in all respects except turning circle to the Spitfire VB equipping most of RAF Fighter Command.

- 40 miles south of South Pass, La., United States, U-67 sinks U.S. tanker Rawleigh Warner, killing all 33 aboard.

June 23, 1944 - With two engines out and the fuselage on fire, Pilot Officer Andrew Mynarski, a Canadian gunner in Lancaster bomber, is ordered to bail out. However, he sees that the rear gunner is trapped and tries to free him even though his own clothing and parachute are on fire. Hopelessly stuck, the rear gunner signals to Mynarski that he should save himself.

The Canadian gallantly stands to attention and salutes his comrade before jumping out. He is found by the French but dies later of his injuries. Amazingly, the gunner is thrown clear when the Lancaster crashes and survives, as do the other crew members who had jumped. When they return and tell their story after the war, Mynarski is posthumously awarded the Victoria Cross.

June 25, 1942 - Maj. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower takes command of U.S. Forces in Europe.

This week in World War history is compiled from various sources by Keith Houin, USAG Benelux Public Affairs.

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Job opportunities in Brussels

The 3-Star Lounge needs staff:

- Recreation Assistant: <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/371312900>.
- Recreation Assistant (Facilities Operator): <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/371320000>.

The Brussels CYSS is hiring staff:

- Administrative Assistant (CYS): <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/371312600>.
- Child and Youth Program Assistant: <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/370966600>.

Summer travel

With the school year coming to an end, summer break and the moving season are just beginning. As a result, many people will be traveling across Europe and around the globe. Any travel comes with potential danger, including travel in foreign countries. The USAREUR Antiterrorism Division reminds members of the U.S. Forces community that those risks include terrorist attacks. AT officials remind people to be vigilant and use sound risk-based decision-making when traveling or participating in public events. You can reduce the likelihood of becoming a terror victim by maintaining situational awareness in large crowds, such as those expected for this year's World Cup viewings and Independence Day celebrations. AT asks you to immediately report suspicious activity to appropriate authorities. Fortunately, with a bit of forethought and planning, you can securely navigate your summer. To help, USAREUR's AT experts have designed an information trifold now available at http://www.eur.army.mil/vigilance/Travel_Guidance_trifold_June2014.pdf.

USAG Benelux Safety Office

The USAG Benelux Installation Safety Office is hosting a special Basic Rider Course for DOD civilians at Building 134 on Chièvres Air Base (DES Classroom) and Motorcycle Range July 30 to 31 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The course was first scheduled July 1 to 2 but has been postponed to give more people the opportunity to participate.

A valid driver license is needed to participate.

The basic rider course is a two-day classroom and hands-on training course designed to teach riders proper personal protective gear selection; use and familiarity with controls; riding maneuvers, such as clutch, throttle control, straight-line riding, stopping and emergency maneuvers.

To register, call the Safety Office at DSN 361-6114 or civilian 068-276114.

Brussels services hours

CAC Office - The Brussels Common Access Card Office in Building 4, Room 311, will be closed Wednesdays and on Friday, June 27. You can call the ID card section at SHAPE in Building 253, to schedule an appointment. For a SHAPE appointment, call DSN 366-6191 or civilian 065-446191.

IACS - The USAG Benelux-Brussels Installation Access Control System office is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

SHAPE International Library

Belgian Corner - If you are looking for something to do with the family this weekend, want to explore Belgian cuisine or wonder about the origins of Belgian festivals, visit SHAPE International Library's new Belgian Corner. You can find information on local festivals, attractions and museums as well as Belgian food and traditions. Located between the French and German sections, the Belgian Corner helps you to familiarize yourself with your temporary home. For more information, call the library at DSN 423-5631 or civilian 065-445631, email mwr.shape.library.info@us.army.mil or stop by during regular hours.

Summer reading program 'Paws to Read'

Brussels - The program runs through July 23. For more information call DSN 368-9791 or civilian 02-7179791.

Schinnen - The program runs through Aug. 17. It is open to all U.S. and NATO ID cardholders between the ages of 3 and 18 years old. For more information call DSN 364-2669 or civilian 045-5262669.

SHAPE/Chièvres - The program starts July 1. Registration is open and will continue throughout the summer. For more information call the SHAPE International Library at DSN 423-5631 or civilian 065-445631 or the Chièvres Library at DSN 361-5767 or civilian 068-275767. You can also visit the libraries' website at <http://chievres.armymwr.com/europe/chievres/>.

Chièvres Fitness Center

Certain classes at the Chièvres Fitness Center have been cancelled because the volunteer instructor is on leave. The following classes will resume July 14.

Spin: Mondays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 5:50 to 7 p.m.

Strength and Toning: Tuesdays from 5:50 to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 to 11:15 a.m.

Aerobics: Wednesdays from 5:50 to 7 p.m.

Contact DSN 361-5643 or civilian 068-275643.

Soccer Tournament at JFC Brunssum

The German National Soccer Team at JFC Brunssum is organizing the 34th International Soccer Tournament to include a delegation, ladies, youngsters and oldies Cup Aug. 14 to 15. If you have a soccer team or if you are interested in participating, call DSN 364-3022/2964 or civilian 045-5273022/2964.

Schinnen Summer Basketball Camp

This summer basketball camp for high-school students, grades 9 through 12, meets at the Schinnen Fitness Center for practice Tuesdays through Aug. 5 at 5 p.m. Both boys and girls will have the opportunity to practice their shooting, passing, rebounding and free-throw skills during the camp. For more information, contact the Schinnen Fitness Center at DSN 360-7561, civilian 046-4437561 or send an email message to usarmy.Schinnen.imcom-europe.list.schinnen-fc@mail.mil.

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SHAPE Sub Aqua Club

SSAC is multinational and welcomes divers of all certifications. All SHAPE members who are certified divers from any disciplines are welcome and encouraged to join. All non-certified SHAPE members interested in diving are welcome to join and take classes for certification.

For those wondering if they might like to learn SCUBA, SSAC offers Try-Dives on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Annual club membership fee is €75 for an individual or €125 for a family, and it gives access to and use of the club's well-stocked equipment -- buoyancy compensators, regulators, fins, wetsuits, weights and masks -- everything necessary to dive. Courses and training for NAUI certification are offered when there's enough interest. The club also organizes an annual Dive and Dinner in Brussels at NEMO 33, the world's deepest indoor pool.

Find out more about the SHAPE Sub Aqua Club at <http://www.shapesubaqua.com>.

SHAPE hosts Army Ball

The U.S. Army Ball will be held June 28 to commemorate the 239th Army Birthday. Tickets are limited. For more information, contact your unit representative:

- 39th Signal Battalion: DSN 366-6283 or civilian 065-326283.
- 650th MI Brigade: DSN 423-4559 or civilian 065-444559.
- Finance Office: DSN 423-8369 or civilian 065-448369.
- AFN Benelux: DSN 423-3675 or civilian 065-448369.
- AFNORTH Battalion: DSN 423-4875/3656 or civilian 065-444875/3656.
- USAG Benelux: DSN 361-5587 or civilian 068-275587.
- Northern Law Center: DSN 423-5447 or civilian 065-448369.

CYSS at Brussels

Summer camp - Brussels CYSS offers summer camps through Aug. 22 for youth completing grades kindergarten through 11. Register soon because space is limited. Contact Brussels CYSS Parent Central at DSN 368-9651 or civilian 02-7179651.

Fall soccer - Registration is open through Aug. 29 for fall soccer, ages 3 to 15 years, with season starting Sept. 8. Cost for children ages 3 to 5 is \$20 and for children ages 6 to 15 is \$40.

Fall cheerleading - Registration is open through Aug. 29 for ages 8 to 12 years with season starting Sept. 8. Cost is \$40.

Flag football - Registration is open through Aug. 29 for ages 10 to 15 years with season starting Sept. 8. Cost is \$40.

For more information or to register, call DSN 368-9539/9651 or civilian 02-7179539/9651.

CYSS at Schinnen/Brunssum

Summer camp - The USAG Benelux-Schinnen School Age Center and Youth Center offer summer-camp trips through Aug. 15. Space is limited. Call DSN 364-3121/2023 or civilian 045-5263121/2023 for full summer-camp details.

Flag football - Open enrollment for children ages 10 to 15 runs through July 4 at the CYSS Parent Central Services Office, Building H-602 at JFC Brunssum. Cost is \$40. You must be registered with CYSS and have a valid health assessment at the time of enrollment. For details, call DSN 364-4195 or civilian 045-5264195.

Soccer - Open enrollment for children ages 3 to 15 runs through July 4 at the CYSS Parent Central Services Office, Building H-602 at JFC Brunssum. Cost: children, ages 3 to 5, \$20; children, ages 6 to 15, \$40. You must be registered with CYSS and have a valid health assessment at the time of enrollment. For details, call DSN 364-4195 or civilian 045-5264195.

CYSS at SHAPE

Summer Camp - Registration is open for the Summer Camp June 16 through Aug. 22. For more information, call SHAPE Parent Central Services at DSN 423-6039/6099 or civilian 065-446039/6099.

Paid internship - If you are a U.S. citizen between 15 and 18, currently attending high school, if you possess and maintain a C grade-point average or better and are subject to the satisfactory completion of local police background checks, you are eligible to apply for a paid internship with CYSS Sports & Fitness. CYSS will offer a paid internship for 12 continuous work weeks once all goals are met with 15 to 18 hours of work during school weeks and a maximum of 40 hours during non-school weeks. CPR training, first aid and child abuse prevention classes will be offered. If interested, call CYSS at DSN 423-5611 or civilian 065-445611.

Teen baby-sitting course - Learn basic child-care skills and get certified in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation at SHAPE CYSS July 7 to 10 - July 7 from 9 a.m. to noon, July 8 from 9 to 11:30 a.m., July 9 from 8 a.m. to noon, and July 10 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. You must be 12 years (seventh grade) or older and registered with SHAPE CYSS to participate in the course. Class size is limited. For more information or to reserve your space, call CYSS Parent Central Services at 065-446099/6097/6039. Cost: \$25 per person, includes first-aid and CPR certificate as well as a handbook for baby sitters and a "magic baby sitter's bag." Minimum participation required.

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Read about events near Chièvres, SHAPE and Brussels.

June 27

- **Bear Rock Festival in Andenne** - Outdoor music festival, bands from Belgium and abroad, cocktail bar, giant screens for animated movies, street artists, etc. More information at <http://www.bear-rock.org/>.

June 27 to 29

- **Couleur Café Festival** - Exotic, throbbing music from the Caribbean, Africa and Latin America. In between concerts visitors can buy ornaments and handicraft products from all over the world and sample cocktails and international dishes. Obtain more information by visiting its website at http://2014.couleurcafe.be/en/couleur_cafe/home-270.html.



June 28

- **Verdur Rock Festival in Namur** - International festival for contemporary music at the Citadel of Namur. The festival is free of charge. More information at <http://www.verdur-rock.be/>.

June 28 to 29

- **Beer festival in Jurbise** - Enjoy free concerts and more than 80 different beers. Open Saturday from 5 p.m. to 3 a.m. and Sunday from 3 p.m. to 1 a.m.



June 29

- **Volksmarch in Beloeil** for 5, 10, 20 km. Departs on Rue Baron Deschamps 10 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Obourg** for 5, 10, 20 km. Departs on Rue de la Filature 4 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Mountain bike ride in La Louvière** for 10, 25, 35, 45, 55, 65 km. Departs from the soccer club on Rue du Roeulx from 8 to 11 a.m. Participation fee is €5. Bike-wash and showers available.

July 1 to 3

- **Ommegang in Brussels** - Panorama of folklore, magic and entertainment. More than 1,400 performers will help you relive the 1549 procession in honor of Charles V. More information at <http://www.ommegang.be/>.
- **Medieval village in Brussels** - The Place du Sablon transforms into an authentic historical village. Numerous activities will bring the Middle Ages back to life: knights, falconers and more. Medieval jousts will also entertain spectators of all ages. More information at <http://www.ommegang.be/>.



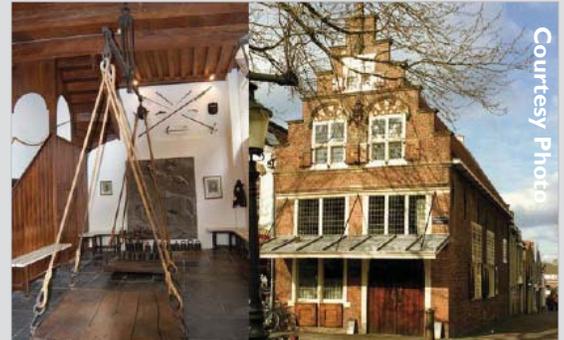
Read about events near Brunssum and Schinnen (in the Netherlands unless otherwise indicated).

June 26 to 28

- **Dutch TT in Assen** is the 84th international motor races at TT Circuit Assen. Find out why its website, <http://www.ttcircuit.com>, states that fans voted Dutch TT the “best Grand Prix” in the world.

June 27 to 28

- **Witch Festival in Oudewater** causes the idyllic center of the city to be overrun with witches and other fabled figures. You can expect plenty of music, dance, theater, fairytales and magic acts all around the “Heksenwaag” (Witches Weighhouse). In ages past, each city had its own weighhouse where merchandise was weighed before it was sold; however, the Oudewater weighhouse was co-opted to weigh people to try to find out if they were witches. It was thought that witches must weigh next to nothing in order to be able to fly on broomsticks. Open June 27 from 6 p.m. to midnight and June 28 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.



Courtesy Photo

June 28

- **Antique and Curiosa Market in Roermond**, held at Kloosterwandplein from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., is small but attractive. This may be your opportunity to pick up a great find.

July 2 to 4

- **Culifair in Goes** on Grote Markt (Market Square) gives visitors an opportunity to enjoy culinary delicacies as well as entertainment. Open from noon to 11 p.m. No admission fees.

July 3 to 6

- **Arnhemse Stockdagen in Arnhem** is a fashion festival held in the old historic center of town. About 70 designers will open their doors and offer last year’s designs, fabric, leather and more. Open July 3 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; July 4 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; July 5 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and July 6 from noon to 5 p.m. To find out more about it, visit <http://arnhemse-stockdagen.nl/>.



July 1 to 3 continued

- **Medieval market in Brussels** - Located on a square near the Grand' Place, craftsmen tempt you with their wares of yore. More information at <http://www.ommegang.be/>.



Ongoing

Through June 27

- **European March of Memory and Friendship in Bastogne** - The march used to be a military exercise to retrace the itinerary of the battles on the "Chasseurs Ardennais" defense line in May 1940 but is now open to everyone. Today, the number of stage cities varies due to the itinerary. The monuments and locations have increased in number, too. There are now more civilian marchers than military participants. More information at <http://www.marchemesa.com/welcome.html>.

Through June 29

- **Exhibition "Mons during WWI & WWII"** on Rue de la Coupe 33-35. Display includes posters, paintings, magazines, flags etc. Open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is free.
- **Dinner in the Sky in Brussels** provides a unique opportunity to discover Brussels' haute cuisine in the most extraordinary manner possible: 22 guests and one 'starred' chef will share an unforgettable gastronomic experience in the skies over the capital, enjoying an unparalleled view of Brussels and its surroundings while enjoying rare dishes and fine wines. For more information, visit <http://www.dinnerinthesky.be/>.



Through Sept. 30

- **Titanic - The Artifact Exhibition in Brussels** - The exhibition showcases dozens of authentic artifacts that were salvaged from the ocean floor. The exhibition takes visitors on a journey through the life of Titanic where they will learn countless stories of heroism and humanity. More information at <http://www.expo-titanic.be/en>.

Through Dec. 24

- **Exhibition "Regards croisés sur la Guerre 14-18" (crossed perspectives on WWI) in Ath** on Rue de Pintamont 18 Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on the weekend from 2 to 6 p.m.



July 3 to 6 continued

- **Wine/Winzer Market in Soest**, Germany, at Theodor-Heuss-Park allows oenophiles and other interested individuals to shop the wares of about 17 local vineyards.

July 4 to 6

- **Milan Festival in Den Haag/The Hague** at Zuiderpark is the largest Hindu open-air festival in Europe. This multicultural event offers varied forms of culture, sports and entertainment; a theme tent, rides; fireworks and more. Admission: €4. Open July 4 from 4 to 11 p.m.; July 5 from 2 to 11 p.m. and July 6 from 1 to 11 p.m.
- **Pasar Malam Asia in Eindhoven** is an attractive, annual Asian market held at Beursgebouw with shows, demonstrations and lots of food. Admission: adults €8; children, ages 4 to 11, €3. Open July 4 and 5 from 1 to 10 p.m. and July 6 from noon to 7 p.m.
- **Culinary Festival in Minden**, Germany, on Market Square is where visitors can enjoy many culinary specialties from restaurants and other local gastronomic businesses for a small fee.

Ongoing

Through July 14

- **Gallic Village in Liège**, Belgium, on Place Saint Paul is where you will find about 40 chalets/stands offering their local products, such as ham on the bone, spit-roasted ham, paella, grilled fillet of duck, Savoyard tart, homemade ravioli, wine, beer, cocktails, brandy and much more. The covered terraces allow you to consume your purchases on the spot.

Through Sept. 5

- **Cheese market in Alkmaar** is famous worldwide for its cheese, which has been weighed in the town of Alkmaar since 1593. Cheese carriers carry thousands of kilos of cheese from 'Waagplein' square to the weighing house. What used to be serious business has turned into a popular attraction for thousands of tourists. See cheese carriers in action every Friday between 10 a.m. and noon until the first Friday of September. You'll be surprised at how important cheese used to be and still is for the city of Alkmaar.



SHAPE Trips & Tours

For information on the trip below,
call DSN 423-3884 or civilian 065-443884

Efteling Theme Park, July 12 – Join the tour group for a magical experience for the whole family. Departs SHAPE at 7 a.m. and Brussels at 8 a.m. Efteling is the largest theme park in the Netherlands and one of the oldest theme parks in the world. Efteling has evolved from a nature park into the Fairytale Forest (*Sprookjesbos*) and full-sized theme park. Efteling now caters to both children and adults with its cultural, romantic and nostalgic themes, in addition to its wide array of amusement rides. The park is fantasy-themed, and its attractions are based on elements from ancient myths and legends, fairytales, fables and folklore. Don't miss the House of the Five Senses (*Huis van de Vijf Zintuigen*). Arrives at Brussels at 8:45 p.m. and at SHAPE at 9:45 p.m. Price: Adults €70; children, ages infant to 4, €37.

Schinnen Trips and Tours

For information on the trip below
call DSN 360-7561 or civilian
0031-(0)46-4437561

Express Trip to London, July 19 – The group departs the Memories Lane Lounge (Building 41) in Schinnen at 1 a.m. Upon arrival in London at about 8 a.m., the group will experience a wind-shield tour of the city, passing Big Ben, Tower Bridge, Trafalgar Square, Horse Guards and Piccadilly Circus. After that, travelers will have a minimum of nine hours to explore one of the world's capitals on their own. Departs London at approximately 7 p.m. (local time). Arrives back in Schinnen July 20 at approximately 4 a.m. Price: \$89 per person. Included in tour price: round-trip coach transportation.

SHAPE Travel Group

For information on the trip below
call civilian 0486-565371

Atlantic Wall Museum and Flanders Field Museum, Aug. 19

August marks the 100th anniversary of the outbreak of World War I. To commemorate the centenary of the war, the SHAPE Travel Group will take you on a remembrance trip to Oostende and Ypres. First stop will be at the Atlantic Wall Museum in Oostende where

we will have time to walk around and learn the importance of the modern fortifications from World War I and II. After Oostende, the tour group will travel to Ypres. In Ypres, they will visit the 'In Flanders Field' Museum, have time to have a nice dinner and end the trip with the Last Post at Menin Gate. Tour price: €40.



Upcoming trips

SHAPE Trips & Tours

- **Prague, July 18 to 21: Sign up for this trip soon.**
- **Amsterdam, July 26**
- **Paris, Aug. 2**
- **Disneyland Paris, Aug. 8**
- **London, Aug. 15 to 17**
- **Medieval Dinner in Brugge (Bruges), Aug. 23**
- **Belgian Beer/Gin Tour, Sept. 13**
- **London, Oct. 11**
- **Peru, Oct. 24 to Nov. 3**
- **London, Dec. 6 to 7**
- **Buy discounted tickets to: AquaGolf, Aqualibi, Bastogne War Museum, Bois De Luc, Castle of Seneffe, Chateau Chimay, Crocodile Rouge, 14-18 Expo, Lasergames, Le Bois du Cazier, Lobbe-Thuin Tram Museum, Natura Park, Plugster, Pottery House, Site du Grand-Hornu, Thuin L'Abbaye d' Aulne, Thuin-Le Beffroi and Walibi.**



Schinnen Trips & Tours

- **Dutch Day Trip to Alkmaar, Volendam and Zaanse Schans, Aug. 1**
- **Miami Dolphins vs. Oakland Raiders in London, Sept. 27 to 29**
- **Cowboys vs. Jaguars in London, Nov. 8 to 10**

SHAPE Travel Group

- **Alkmaar Cheese Market and Haarlem, Aug. 29**
- **Newbury and the Highclere Castle, Sept. 9**
- **Luxembourg Castles, Sept. 26**
- **Wine Tour by the Mosel River, Sept. 30**
- **A Day in Rotterdam, Oct. 7**
- **Best of Belgium, Oct. 14**
- **Amsterdam, Oct. 21**
- **Canterbury, Nov. 12**
- **Bastogne, Nov. 17**
- **Cologne Christmas Market, Nov. 25**
- **Leeds Castle and Dickens Christmas Festival, Dec. 6**
- **Paris Lights and Moulin Rouge, Dec. 9**
- **Strasbourg Christmas Market, Dec. 16**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

BRUSSELS COMMUNITY

June 27

- **Final Friday** - The American Club of Brussels (<http://www.americanclubbrussels.org>) holds this gathering on the last Friday of the month from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. to welcome newcomers to Belgium and welcome back ACB members. This month's event will be held at the Stanhope Hotel, located at Square de Meeûs 4 in Brussels. Special guests will be friends from the Brussels British Network (<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Brussels-British-Network/339908799439804>). No reservation is required. Bring a guest or two. You can register online for Final Fridays.

July 3

- **Ommegang dinner** - The American Club of Brussels offers members and guests a unique opportunity to view the Ommegang procession on the Grand'Place while dining in one of the most elegant restaurants in Brussels, La Maison du Cygne (House of the Swan). From the balcony and windows of a large private dining room, the ACB group will have an unparalleled view of the Ommegang as the pageant unfolds on one of the most beautiful squares in the world. The excitement starts at 7 p.m. with a social gathering before dinner at 8 p.m. Price: €75 for members of the ACB and Irish Club of Belgium; €85 for non-members. Reservations are due by June 30 at noon online at <http://www.americanclubbrussels.org>, by email at info@americanclubbrussels.org or by calling the ACB office manager at 0476-996870.

SCHINNEN/BRUNSSUM COMMUNITY

June 27

- **Personal Financial Planning for Transition** - Get the skills you need at Schinnen Army Community Service Conference Room from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. When you know you'll be leaving the military, it's time to start planning your return to civilian life. Since it's a significant event for you and your family, you'll want to approach it armed with good information, the right skills and a well-developed plan. The Personal Financial Planning for Transition presentation will equip you and your family with financial-management resources. The briefing covers topics including budget creation, retirement, cost-of-living and relocation analysis as well as tax and legal considerations during and directly after transition. For more information or to register, contact ACS at DSN 360-7450/7500 or civilian 046-4437450/7500, or DSN 364-3475/civilian 045-5263475.

July 2

- **First-Termer Briefing** - This mandatory briefing will be held from 11 a.m. to noon at Schinnen Army Community Service. It teaches all first-term/initial-term Soldiers about the practical approach to financial management, offers tools to help them handle money wisely and develops their ability to make informed purchasing decisions. To learn more or to register, contact ACS at DSN 360-7450/7500 or civilian 046-4437450/7500.

SHAPE/CHIEVRES COMMUNITY

June 29

- **SHAPE Flea market** - This event is open to SHAPE card holders from 6 to 8 a.m. and to all from 8 a.m. to noon. For more information, call DSN at 423-4269/8340 or civilian 065-444269/448340.

July 2

- **Summer social** - The Benelux Education Center will be hosting a social from noon to 2 p.m. in Building 212 (same as Army Finance) on SHAPE to highlight partner schools and the programs they offer.

July 9

- **Personal-finance workshop** - The class "Your Bank and Credit-Union Accounts" is offered from 1 to 2 p.m. in the ACS conference room in Building 318. For more information, call DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824.

July 10

- **Hearts Apart Club** - If you are dealing with the deployment or extended temporary duty, or TDY, of your sponsor, you don't have to remain alone. You can connect with others in the same circumstances. Joining Army Community Service's Hearts Apart Club, which meets in the ACS Training Room in SHAPE's Building 318 from noon to 1 p.m. To register, call DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824. To register online or to request additional information, visit the ACS page at <http://chievres.armymwr.com/europe/chievres/programs/acs/#.U01Gp1dfbqE>.

SHAPE FLEA MARKET / BROCANTE

MONTHS	DAYS
APR	27
MAY	25
JUN	29
JUL	27
AUG	24
SEP	28

08:00-12:00
(Open to SHAPE Cardholders from 06:00-08:00)

FOR MORE INFO, PLEASE CONTACT MORALE & WELFARE OPERATIONS at 423-4269 / 423-8340

Community Roundup

Movie schedule at SHAPE Cinema

Rates – 2D movies: adults €7 and children 11 and under €4. 3D movies: adults €9 and children 11 and under €6. Movies are subject to change. Check <http://www.shape2day.com/cinema/march-movie-schedule.aspx> for updates.

June 27	4 p.m.	Transformers: Age of Extinction 3D	PG-13	166 min
	8 p.m.	Jersey Boys	R	134 min
June 28	4 p.m.	Think Like a Man Too	PG-13	106 min
	6:15 p.m.	22 Jump Street	R	112 min
June 29	3 p.m.	Transformers: Age of Extinction 3D	PG-13	166 min
	7 p.m.	Edge of Tomorrow 3D	PG-13	113 min
July 2	Noon	The Amazing Spider-Man 2	PG-13	142 min
	3 p.m.	Godzilla 3D	PG-13	123 min
July 3	Noon	Maleficent	PG	98 min
	2 p.m.	Transformers: Age of Extinction 3D	PG-13	166 min
July 4	4 p.m.	Earth to Echo	PG	91 min
	6 p.m.	22 Jump Street	R	112 min
July 5	4 p.m.	Edge of Tomorrow 3D	PG-13	113 min
	7 p.m.	Tammy	R	96 min
July 6	3 p.m.	The Fault in our Stars	PG-13	125 min
	6 p.m.	A Million Ways to Die in the West	R	116 min
July 9	Noon	Earth to Echo	PG	91 min
	2 p.m.	Transformers: Age of Extinction 3D	PG-13	166 min
July 10	Noon	How to Train Your Dragon 2	PG	105 min
	2 p.m.	The Fault in our Stars	PG-13	125 min
July 11	4 p.m.	Dawn of the Planet of the Apes	PG-13	None stated
	7 p.m.	Deliver Us from Evil	R	118 min
July 12	4 p.m.	Earth to Echo	PG	91 min
	8 p.m.	22 Jump Street	R	109 min
July 13	3 p.m.	Edge of Tomorrow 3D	PG-13	113 min
	6 p.m.	Tammy	R	96 min

Theaters near SHAPE/Chièvres that play movies in English: Only the British or American movies listed as VO (Version Originale or Originale Versie) will be in English.

Plaza Art - Rue de Nimy 12, 7000 Mons (next to the main square). Visit <http://plaza-art.be/index.cgi?p=Grille>.

ImagiBraine - Boulevard de France, 1420 Braine l'Alleud. Check the schedule and purchase your tickets at: <http://kinopolis.be/nl/bioscopen/kinopolis-imagibraine>.

Kinopolis - Boulevard du Centenaire 20, 1020 Bruxelles. Visit <http://kinopolis.be/fr/cinemas/kinopolis-bruxelles>.

Movie schedule at JFC HQ Alliance Theater

Adult admission is €5 (ages 12 and older) - Child admission is €3 (ages 11 and under). Check <http://www.shopmyexchange.com/ReelTimeTheatres/Movies-Brunssum.htm>.

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