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## Benelux news briefs

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### Basketball coach needed

JSA-Enghien basketball club is looking for an American coach for its senior team for 2014-2015. The club members would like to access the higher category (Provinciale 3). Call 0485/402002 or send an email message to [jse.enghien.secretariat@gmail.com](mailto:jse.enghien.secretariat@gmail.com).

### Sign up for Army Ten-miler

USAG Bavaria will host the 2014 U.S. Forces Europe Army Ten Miler Qualification Race June 28. This race will select the best-qualified candidates to represent USAREUR in the 2014 U.S. Army Ten Miler. For information and to register, go to <http://grafenwoehr.armymwr.com/europe/grafenwoehr/grafenwoehr-events/us-forces-europe-10-miler-qualification-race/?eID=26210>.



Kimberly Wayland, deputy garrison manager of USAG Benelux-Schinnen, helps lay a wreath during the 70th annual Memorial Day Ceremony at the Netherlands American Cemetery near Margraten in the Netherlands.

## Trenches to Foxholes

# Fallen comrades remembered across Benelux on Memorial Day

In one of the many Memorial Day ceremonies in Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg, more than 7,000 people attended the 70th annual Memorial Day Ceremony at the Netherlands American Cemetery near the town of Margraten May 25, 2014. The ceremony is organized by the American Battle Monuments Commission and the American Embassy in coordination with the Dutch military. The wreaths were carried by Dutch and American service members.

Maj. Gen. Hans van der Louw, representative of His Majesty the King of the Netherlands, laid the first wreath. Another 75 wreath layers added to the solemnity of the occasion. Anna Eleanor Roosevelt, granddaughter of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, was the guest speaker.

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# Schinnen spotlights safety during stand down



Nino Antonacci

Staff Sgt. Johnathon Balcom shows how using an automated external defibrillator could save lives May 22.

On May 22, USAG Benelux-Schinnen Safety Stand Down Day included the inspection of worksites and classes/training like the Motorcycle Safety Foundation Experienced Rider Course, which gives Soldiers and civilians the skills they need to avoid trouble on the road.



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During the May 22 fire-extinguisher briefing, Fire Chief Rob Walraven demonstrates how to extinguish a fire.

At a Directorate of Public Works display, installation safety officer Nino Antonacci points out what is important when large equipment is in use.



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# USAG Benelux focuses on safety on, off duty



(At left) Maëlle Wallemacq, natural and cultural resources manager at the Directorate of Public Works, shares information about the insect hotel with Patrick Kurzawa and Gregory Destrebecq from the Digital Telephone Exchange, 39th Signal Battalion, during Safety Stand Down Day on Chièvres Air Base Thursday, May 22, 2014. Visitors could find information on various topics related to safety, not only at work but also at home. The afternoon was dedicated to motorcycle safety with the participation of the SHAPE Federal Police. (At right) Allen Slate follows the instructions of Belgian Federal Police Inspector Bruno De Boni at the Motorcycle Safety Foundation (MSF) range on Chièvres Air Base. The Belgian Federal Police also participated in the event with a roll-over car and an information booth.



Fire Inspector Andy Daie, Directorate of Emergency Services, shows Sgt. Cera Thomas, HHD, 39th Signal Battalion, how to approach a fire with an extinguisher.



(At left) Children from the Belgian school in Lens watch the 424th Air Base Squadron fire truck as it sprays water during Safety Stand Down Day.

(At right) Staff Sgt. Scott Gallup, HHC USAG Benelux, is wearing special goggles to experience how driving under the influence affects one's capabilities. This activity was provided by the Army Substance Abuse Program. (U.S. Army photos by Cis Spook)



MEMORIAL DAY

USAG Benelux participates in ceremonies in Belgium, The Netherlands



U.S. Army Garrison Benelux participated in the Memorial Day ceremony held at the Ardennes and Henri-Chapelle American cemeteries May 24, 2014, and at Flanders Field and the Netherlands American cemeteries May 25, 2014.

(Clockwise from top) A formation of American service members stands during the ceremony at Ardennes American cemetery. □ Garrison commander Col. Marvin "Marty" Vannatter and Command Sgt. Maj. Robert Carter salute after laying a rose on the grave of Staff Sgt. Thomas Forte at Henri-Chapelle American cemetery May 24, 2014. Roses were laid on all of the 12 graves that have been adopted by USAG Benelux. Forte is one of 11 African-American Soldiers who were tortured and killed by the German SS during the Battle of the Bulge in Wereth, Belgium. □The Color Guard composed of (from left to right) Spec. Devlin Trefethen, Sgt. Gregory Hubbard, Sgt. Joseph Quirarte, Spc. Edward Chambers and Sgt. John Webb in the back, march at the start of the ceremony in Henri-Chapelle American cemetery. (U.S. Army photos by Marie-Lise Baneton)

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(Clockwise from top left) Sgt. Daniel Cibik and Sgt. 1st Class James Scott stand ready with one of the wreaths to be laid down during the ceremony at Flanders Field May 25, 2014. □ Service members from Joint Forces Command, Brunssum, participate in the ceremony at the Netherlands American cemetery as part of the Color Guard May 25, 2014. □ U.S. Airmen from Kleine Brogel Air Base, Belgium, fire a volley salute during the ceremony at the Netherlands American cemetery May 25, 2014. □ Children from the Waregem schools sang the Star-Spangled Banner while waving American and Belgian flags during the ceremony at Flanders Field May 25, 2104.



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(Clockwise from left) Steve Howarth carries the baton during the annual 24-hour Make-A-Wish fun run. □ Marie Carey performs at the annual 24-hour Make-A-Wish fun run. □ Meghan Monty and Jake Marlin perform at the annual 24-hour Make-A-Wish fun run. (U.S. Army photos by Keith Houin)

## Make-A-Wish raises \$\$\$ amid festival atmosphere 'Money is still coming in!'

During the annual 24-hour Make-A-Wish Fun Run May 23 to 24, hundreds of military, international and other runners and walkers put in almost 23,000 laps around the SHAPE track, according to shape2day.com's Sports & Fitness.

Traveling more than 5,600 miles (9,000 kilometers) on the track, participants were able to raise money through pledge cards filled with the names of charitable givers.

Food vendors representing various nations were also on hand to raise money by selling international fare, such as Britain's fish and chips, to attendees.

"You didn't have to be associated with a team to enjoy

the event," said Charlie Foote, a sports specialist for the U.S. Army Sports Program.

Numerous event goers set up camping tents where they could relax between sets of laps around the track or trips to the concessionaires.

Musicians provided tunes to which people could dance on a makeshift dance floor on the grassy field.

Participants from 70 teams -- the number of whose members ranged from 10 to 200 per team -- are still collecting pledges. As a result, SHAPE Morale and Welfare Branch, or MWB, officials haven't been able to calculate the grand total yet, Foote said.

"The money is still coming in!" he said.



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(Clockwise from left) American paratroopers with the 173rd Airborne Brigade, based in Vicenza, Italy, jump from a C-130 Hercules aircraft into the Dutch army's Ginkelse Heide training area in Nijmegen, the Netherlands, May 20, 2014. □ American paratroopers from the 173rd Airborne Brigade, based in Vicenza, Italy, land in the Dutch army's Ginkelse Heide training area in Nijmegen, the Netherlands, after jumping from an U.S. Air Force C-130 Hercules aircraft May 20, 2014. □ Chief Warrant Officer 3 Bobby Sattazahn, drop-zone safety officer with the 173rd Airborne Brigade, counts the paratroopers who jumped from a U.S. Air Force C-130 May 20, 2014, to commemorate Operation Market Garden and the Battle of Arnhem. (U.S. Army photos by Pascal Demeuldre)



Soldiers still learning from Montgomery's bold gamble

The 173rd Airborne Brigade traveled from Vicenza, Italy, to Nijmegen in the Netherlands with one goal -- discover lessons learned from what could arguably be termed the worst disappointment of World War II.

During a commemorative parachute drop May 20, more than 40 of the 173rd's leaders performed an in-flight rig, donning their parachutes and equipment inside the plane and then departing for a battle staff ride to learn from Operation Market Garden in September 1944.

Market was the airborne part of the operation; Garden was the ground portion.

The brain child of British Field Marshal Bernard Law "Monty" Montgomery, Operation Market Garden's objective was to capture eight bridges and end the war by Christmas.

Despite the success of the initial parachute and glider landings, Operation Market Garden went awry almost from the very beginning.

For example, after the Allied victories at Normandy and the Falaise Pocket, British intelligence was confident that the Germans had no front-line quality troops in the vicinity.

However, near Arnhem was the headquarters of Field Marshal Walther Model,

commander of Army Group B; other German units in the area were Luftwaffe Gen. Kurt Student's First Parachute Army and SS Gen. Wilhelm Bittrich's 2nd SS Panzer Corps (consisting of two tank divisions). All these troops were of the first caliber.

About 18,000 British, American and Polish troops were killed in Operation Market Garden and the Battle of Arnhem.

The 1977 film "A Bridge Too Far" told the story of Market Garden and Arnhem, and they were also covered in the television series "Band of Brothers."

Robert Slosson and Pascal Demeuldre contributed to this report.

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## Healthy Lifestyle Festival

Chievres and Schinnen Commissaries will participate in the Defense Commissary Agency's inaugural "Your Healthy Lifestyle Festival – Shop Healthy! Eat Healthy! Be Healthy!" campaign. Both will concentrate their efforts during the weekend of June 13 to 15. From June 6 through the first weekend in July, DeCA will host the campaign—one of the Defense Department's largest healthy lifestyle awareness events. The event combines the best of the military community's efforts to help improve the health and wellness of service members and their families, according to the DeCA website at <http://www.commissaries.com/healthy-lifestyle-festival.cfm>. Commissaries will offer their ever-popular farmers markets; morale, welfare and recreation services will offer a variety of fitness events for children and adults; and the exchanges will offer their popular sidewalk sales that will include fitness shoes and apparel specials along with sports equipment and bicycles. Contact your local commissary store manager for details.

## U.S. Army Ball on SHAPE

Tickets for the U.S. Army Ball held June 28 are on sale. Tickets available are limited. For more information, contact your unit representatives:

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

## Schinnen Play Morning

The Play Morning event has moved from the Schinnen Community Activity Center to the CYSS Bldg. at JFC Brunssum. Play Morning is held every Thursday from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and is open to all U.S. and NATO ID card holders. Contact CYSS Parent Central Services

Commercial: +31 (0)45 526-3121/2023

DSN 364-3121/2023

ACS New Parent Support Program

Commercial: +31(0)46-443-7335

DSN: 360-7335

## Andrews Federal Credit Union

Andrews Federal Credit Union has started charging \$2 per transaction at the automated teller machine, or ATM, on SHAPE in Building 319. In the past, the fee had been waived for all people who use the ATM, but, with the costs associated with the new ATM, maintenance fees, and network fees, the change is deemed necessary. The fee will continue to be waived for AFCU members. Only non-members who use the ATM will incur the fee. A notification will be posted at the ATM.

## Job opportunity

### Brussels:

- **The Chapel** is announcing a part-time employment opportunity with an open position as Religious Education Coordinator. The responsibilities associated with this position are as follows:
  - Coordinating the Biblical education of children on Sunday for ages 4-12 on a weekly basis.
  - Coordinating the annual Vacation Bible School, July 28 to Aug. 1.
  - Coordinating various (optional) retreats, volunteer training and maintaining continuity of operations with the Chaplain.

The supplies, equipment, support and supervision will come from the Religious Support Office staff in the Chapel. For more information about the position and to know how to apply, contact the Religious Support Office in the Chapel at DSN 368-9677 or civilian 02-7179677.

- **The USAG Benelux Education Center** is hiring an on-call substitute for the position of Counselor Aide at the USAG Benelux-Brussels Education Center. Basic requirements are at least 60 semester hours from an accredited U.S. college or university and experience or training in military education programs. This position does not provide logistic support and is best suited to a U.S. military dependent. For a complete job description call DSN 423-5501 or civilian 065-445501.

### Chièvres:

Reed-Joseph International Company is looking for someone local to help install and maintain equipment on Chièvres Air Base. The equipment is designed to scare birds from the airfield environment and is simple to maintain. Maintenance inspections take place every three months and should take about eight hours. The company would also rely on the person for unscheduled repairs. All in all the work would amount to about 40 hours annually. The pay is \$25 per hour. English is a must, and this person must have access to the base and airfield. Also, this person must have long-term plans to remain in the Chièvres area. For more information about the company or the job opportunity, call 0800-6475554, send an email to [jbj3@reedjoseph.com](mailto:jbj3@reedjoseph.com) or visit <http://www.reedjoseph.com>.

## Exceptional Family Member Program

The Benelux EFMP Coordinator is available by appointment only at the Schinnen ACS. Individual sessions can be arranged by appointment. Assistance provided on updating EFMP status and reassignments. Get answers to your questions regarding special education, Individual Education Plans and general special needs information. Classes can be offered on topics such as ADHD/Autism, Social Skills for Asperger's Syndrome, Demystifying the IEP process, and Transitioning Families with Special Needs. For more info call DSN 366-6898 or civilian 065-326898. Upcoming dates visiting the Schinnen community are June 11 and July 9.

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## SHAPE Players

SHAPE Players presents *The Wizard of Oz*. Performances will run through June 8. For more information or to buy tickets, call DSN 423-3312 or civilian 065-443312, stop by the SHAPE Performing Arts Center, SHAPE, Building 207, or visit <http://www.shapeplayers.org>.

## COLA Survey

Volunteers are needed for the Cost of Living Allowance, or COLA, Survey, for the SHAPE/Chièvres area only. The COLA system compares the cost differences between goods and services (excluding housing) purchased in an OCONUS area to the price of goods and services purchased in CONUS. Price comparisons determine the COLA amount needed to equalize purchasing power between an OCONUS-based member and CONUS-based counterparts. Volunteers are needed to complete the Retail Price Schedule, which collects prices for approximately 120 goods and services. Basically, five to seven service members (per location) are needed to record prices for approximately 120 goods and services throughout the local area. Volunteers will be briefed on the price collection process prior to beginning. Participation locations are SHAPE/Chièvres, Schinnen/Brunssum, Volkel and Kleine Brogel. The results of this survey will directly affect the amount of money service members will receive in regard to COLA. For more information, call DSN 366-6874 or civilian 065-326874.

## Schinnen Education Center

Central Texas College will offer a face-to-face class starting June 2. The course -- Families, School and Community -- will run for eight weeks Monday and Wednesday nights at Geilenkirchen Air Base Education Center. For more information, call DSN 360-7685 or civilian 046-4437685.

## Soccer Tournament

The German National Soccer Team at JFC Brunssum is organizing the 34th International Soccer Tournament to include a delegation, ladies, youngsters and oldies Cup, August 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.

## Summer Theater Camp

Registration is open for Summer Theater Camp at the SHAPE Performing Arts Centre. This year's camp runs June 23 through July 26, and the production will be Willy Wonka. Cost is \$400 per child. For more information, call DSN 423-3312 or civilian 065-443312.

## CYSS Schinnen

**Summer Basketball Camp** - Open for grades 9 to 12. The camp will begin June 24 and end Aug. 5. Practice will take place at the Schinnen Fitness Center every Tuesday beginning June 24 at 5 p.m. Both boys and girls will be given the opportunity to practice up on their shooting, passing, rebounds, and free throw skills during the camp. For more information call the Schinnen Fitness Center, at DSN 360-

7561, civilian 046-4437561 or email [USArmy.Schinnen.IMCOM-Europe.List.Schinnen-FC@mail.mil](mailto:USArmy.Schinnen.IMCOM-Europe.List.Schinnen-FC@mail.mil).

## Paid internships with CYSS

If you are a U.S. citizen between 15 and 18 years old, 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 15-18 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.

## CYSS SHAPE

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

**Laser Tag and Pizza trip** - The trip will be May 28 from 4 to 8 p.m. and is open to all CYSS-registered youth in seventh through 12th grade. Cost is \$25 for laser tag and €15 for pizza. For information, call DSN 423-6104 or civilian 065-446104. To register, call Parent Central Services at DSN 423-6039 or civilian 065-446039.

## CYSS Brussels

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

**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 seasons starting Sept. 8. Cost is \$40.

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

## 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. 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. For those wondering if they might like to learn SCUBA, SSAC offers Try-Dives on Wednesdays. 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. at <http://www.shapesubaqua.com>.

Read about events near to Chièvres, SHAPE and Brussels.

**Through June 1**

- **Fairgrounds art festival in Namur** - The historical center will be hosting performances and will therefore be closed to traffic. Every day ends with a "Fairground Cabaret." Most of the events are free. The Fairground Arts Festival was started in Namur in 1996 with the aim of promoting the best contemporary street acrobats and performers in Belgium and elsewhere. Obtain more information on <http://www.artsforains.com/fr/namur-en-mai-le-festival-des-arts-forains/namur-en-mai>.



**May 29**

- **Volksmarch in Lens** for 5, 10, 15, 20 km. Departs from Résidence de la Baille 100 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Harmignies** for 5, 10, 20 km. Departure is on Rue Vieille Eglise 3 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**May 30 to June 1**

- **Thori-days in Thoricourt** at the local school on Rue de l'Enseignement 1. Friday: Run for 5.5, and 11.5 km. Registration at 7 p.m. and departure at 8 p.m. Party at 10:30 p.m. Saturday: Vintage rally with departure at 2 p.m., surrey bike race at 2 p.m., concert at 10 p.m. and party at 11 p.m. Sunday: barbecue at noon and show for children at 2 p.m.

**May 31**

- **Medieval show in Mévergnies-lez-lens** - Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Entertainment and shows start at 8 p.m. Event is held at Rue Le Patard 5. Entrance fee is € 6. Free under 6.

**May 31 to June 1**

- **Napoleon Days in Ligny** - The Battle of Ligny (June 16, 1815) was the last victory of Napoleon I before he was defeated two days later in Waterloo. In this battle, the French troops defeated a Prussian army under the leadership of Field Marshal Gebhard Leberecht von Blücher. On Saturday: conferences, bivouacs, possible visit of museums, re-enactment of the battle at 7 p.m. Sunday: Communion service, official speeches, monument visits, parade in costumes and uniforms at 3.30 p.m. More information on <http://www.si-ligny.be/>.



Choose from among events that are close to Brunssum and Schinnen (in the Netherlands unless otherwise indicated).

**May 31**

- **Antique & Curiosa Market** at Kloosterwandplein in the center of Roermond from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. is small but attractive.
- **Annual Market**, or "Year Market," in the beautiful center of the historic fortified town of Woudrichem has 120 stands and lots of activities. Open: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**May 31 and June 1, June 8 and 9**

- **Medieval Festival** at Castle Hoensbroek on Klinkertstraat 18 in Hoensbroek has a medieval market, tourney, knights' camp, actors, acrobats and many more activities. Open: 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tickets: €12.50; children €10.

**Through June 1**

- **Celtic Festival** at Hollandse Biesbosch, Baanhoeckweg 1, in Dordrecht has lots of demonstrations and activities. Open May 31 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and June 1 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Entry: €16; children €5. More info: [www.keltfest.nl](http://www.keltfest.nl).
- **Scottish Event 2014** held at Castle de Mookerheide, Heumensebaan 2, in Molenhoek, has all kinds of Scottish specialties, games, music and lots more. Open: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Entry: 10; children €5.
- **Festival of Roses** is held in the center of Bad Honnef, Germany. Everything revolves around the rose, but the highlight is, without a doubt, the election of the Queen of Roses.
- **Breda Jazz Festival** is the oldest and largest in the Netherlands. Performances take place on 16 stages spread all over the center of Breda in the Netherlands. Most of the concerts are free of charge. Open: May 30, 12:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.; May 31 from 11 to 1 a.m. and June 1, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. You can obtain a complete schedule of performers by visiting its website at <http://www.bredajazzfestival.nl/programma-overzicht>.
- **Garden Fair** held around Castle Grünewald in Solingen-Gräfrath, Germany, offers everything you need to make home and garden enjoyable. Entry: €7; children under 16, free. Open: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Home & Garden Fair** held in the park on the grounds of the Neo-Gothic Castle d'Aertrycke, one of the most beautiful and romantic parks in Belgium is the place to be! This very successful lifestyle fair has more than 140 participants offering the best for garden, interior, kitchen and attractive living. Entry: €8; youth (12-18) €7; children - free entrance. The fair is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Location: Zeeweg 42 in Torhout, Belgium.



**May 31 to June 9**

- **Millenium International Film Festival in Brussels** - The Millenium Festival celebrating six years of existence will screen documentary films from all around the world. Get more information at <http://www.brusselslife.be/en/article/millenium-international-documentary-film-festival>.

**June 1**

- **Festival Carolus V in Brussels** - A day full of surprises for all ages in the Coudenberg palace, which was home to Charles V. On the program are guided tours, 16th century gastronomy, dancing, special theme games and workshops. Come and experience the Renaissance era with an introduction to Renaissance dancing and music. For more information, go to [http://visitbrussels.be/bitc/BE\\_en/minisite\\_carolusfestival/culture/67689/coudenberg-family-day.do](http://visitbrussels.be/bitc/BE_en/minisite_carolusfestival/culture/67689/coudenberg-family-day.do).
- **Volksmarch in Bierges** for 4, 8, 12, 21 km. Departs from Rue des Combattants 16 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Hennuyères** for 5, 10, 15, 22, 30, 42 km. Departs from Rue de la Butte 33 from 6 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Thieu** for 5, 10, 15, 20 km. Departs from Place Hardat from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Ath** for 5, 10, 20 km. Departs from Rue Maria Thomée 3 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**June 6 to 14**

- **Brussels Film Festival** - The Brussels Film Festival invites you to discover a selection of international films. Find more information at <http://www.brff.be/en/>.

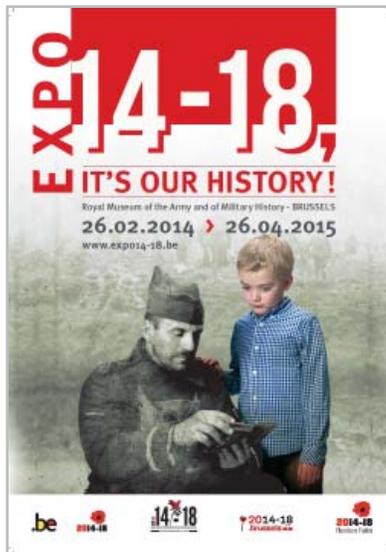
**Ongoing**

**Through June 12**

- **Musical spring in Silly** - Series of concerts at the Château de Morval on Rue de Morval 10. Concerts are Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays from 8 to 11 p.m. Price ranges from €5 to €25 or €120 for all concerts. Find more information at <http://www.printempsmusicalsilly.be>.

**Through April 26, 2015**

- **Expo 14-18: It's our history in Brussels** - At the Royal Army Museum on Parc du Cinquenaire 3, daily from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4:45 p.m. except Mondays. Entrance fee is €12 and €8 for children 6 to 18 years old. Family package is €32 (two adults plus two children). See also Belgian rail day-trip specials at [www.belgianrail.be](http://www.belgianrail.be).



**Through June 1**

- **Medieval Siegfried Spectacle** with knights in shining armor, a knights' camp, tourney, acrobats and artists on the Xantener Nor in the historic city of Xanten, Germany. Admission price starts at age 6. Family rate: Pay only for the adults and the first school-aged child. Day tickets: Adults €12 (costumed €10), children € 6. Festival tickets: Adults €30 (costumed €25), children €15. Open: May 30 from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.; May 31 from 11 a.m. to midnight and June 1 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

**June 1**

- **Antique, Flea and Curiosa Market** from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Roeselaarsestraat in the center of Izegem, Belgium, will have about 300 stands.
- **Culinary Fair** at Onderste Puth in Puth is the place to taste delicacies from the Italian, Thai, Japanese, Surinamese, Greek, Spanish and African kitchen from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- **Art Market** in Haus Martfeld in Schwelm (GE) with the participation of many artists displaying jewelry, paintings, ceramics, glass and lots more. Open from noon to 5 p.m.

**Through June 2**

- **Indoor Lifestyle Fair** held at Staf Versluyscentrum on Kapelstraat 76 in Bredene, Belgium, with more than 165 participants displaying the newest concerning garden, home, wellness, recreation, fashion and more. Entry: €2. The fair opens each day at 2 p.m.

**Through June 3**

- **"Bijzonder" Beeckestijn Fair** means that the gardens of the Beeckestijn Estate on Rijksweg 136 in Velsen-Zuid are open to the public. Open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Entry: €15; children 12 and under - free entrance.

**Ongoing**

**Through June 9**

- **Tong Tong Festival** at Malieveld in The Hague/Den Haag in the Netherlands has the largest Asian food court in the Netherlands; five theaters; a Grand Pasar; the East-West Fair and lots of entertainment and cultural activities. Open daily noon to 10 p.m. Entry: €17; children (2-11) €5.

**Through Sept. 5**

- **Alkmaar cheese market** is famous worldwide. Cheese has been weighed in 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. Cheese carriers can be seen in action Fridays through the first Friday in September between 10 a.m. and noon.

## SHAPE Trips & Tours

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

- **Dutch Day, June 7** - Travel to the Netherlands and visit a Dutch farm, where you can see the art of making cheese and the secrets to manufacturing wooden clogs. Enjoy a Dutch lunch before departing for the second stop at the Zaanse Schans. Experience a bit of Oud Holland (Old Holland). The Zaanse Schans is a delightful village on the banks of the river Zaan with characteristic green wooden houses, charming stylized gardens, small hump-backed bridges, historic windmills and engaging little shops. Price: € 70 adults, €62 children (4-11), €55 children (0-3). Depart SHAPE: 06:00, Depart Brussels: 07:15 .Arrive Brussels: 20:30, Arrive SHAPE: 21:30

## Schinnen Trips and Tours

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

- **Day Trip to Disneyland, Paris, June 7** - Costs: Adults 12 and up \$135.00 per person; Children 3 – 11yrs \$129.00 per person; Children 0 – 2yrs \$75.00 per person (Only Bus Seat). Included in tour price: Round trip Luxury Motor Coach Transportation (Non-Smoking), 1 Day Disneyland Hopper ticket (Gives access to Disneyland Park & Walt Disney Studios Park). Coach departs Schinnen at 5 a.m., approximate arrival at Disneyland Paris 10:30 a.m. Coach departs Disneyland Paris at designated departure point at 8:30 p.m. and will arrive back in Schinnen at approximately 2 p.m. Assigned seating on first come and pay basis.

## SHAPE Travel Group

For information on the trip below  
call civilian 0486-565371

- **Fontainebleau Palace, June 5** - The Château Vaux le Vicomte was a small castle bought by Nicolas Fouquet, financial advisor to King Louis XIV, in 1641 and transformed into a masterpiece by uniting three different crafts, The Château de Fontainebleau can proudly claim to have been a sovereign residence for eight centuries. Capétiens, Valois, Bourbons, Bonaparte and Orléans, all members of French ruling dynasties, have lived within the walls of the castle. Now emblematic of the Château de Fontainebleau, the famous horseshoe-shaped staircase dates from the reign of Louis XIII, based on a Renaissance model, and was the work of Jean Androuet du Cerceau. This sprawling palace is a veritable showcase of French architecture from the 12th to the 19th century. Trip price includes entry to both palaces: Vicomte at 1100 and Fontainebleau at 1400 plus guided tour of Vicomte and coach. Price: €65.

## Upcoming trips

### SHAPE Trips & Tours

- **German Castle Day, 14 June**
- **London, June 21**
- **Stonehenge with Salisbury, June 28**
- **7 Night Mediterranean Cruise, July 4-11**
- **Efteling theme park, July 12**
- **Prague, July 18-21**
- **Amsterdam, July 26**
- **Paris, Aug. 2**
- **Disneyland Paris, Aug. 8**
- **London, Aug. 15-17**
- **Peru, Oct. 24 - Nov. 3**

### Schinnen Trips & Tours

- **Express trip to Berlin, June 28**
- **Express trip to London, July 19**
- **Miami Dolphins VS Oakland Raiders in London, Sept. 27-29**
- **Cowboys VS Jaguars in London, Nov. 8-10**
- **Trips are open to US/NATO ID cardholders and their guests. Assigned seating on first come and pay basis. Register with FULL payment at the Trips & Tours office located inside the Andre Bruls Fitness Center in Schinnen. Itineraries are subject to revision and improvement. All arrival and return times are approximate.**

### SHAPE Travel Group

- **Tongeren & the antiques market, June 1**
- **A day in Paris, June 19**
- **Atlantic Wall Museum and Flanders Field, Aug. 19**
- **Alkmaar Cheese Market and Haarlem, Aug. 29**
- **Newbury and 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

## BRUNSSUM/SCHINNEN COMMUNITY

### June 5

- **Family Readiness Group (FRG) Training** - Thursday, June 5 from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Schinnen ACS Conference Room. Learn the latest policies and guidance on how FRGs can assist Families and Soldiers. Community and military agency representatives will provide updates on FRG topics, including fundraising and resiliency. To register, or for more information, call DSN 360-7269/7500 or comm. +31 (0)46-443-7269/7500, or email usarmy.schinnen.imcom-europe.list.acs@mail.mil.

### June 11, July 9

- **Exceptional Family Member Program**
  - The Benelux EFMP Coordinator is available by appointment only at the Schinnen ACS. Individual sessions can be arranged by appointment. Assistance provided on updating EFMP status and reassignments. Can answer questions regarding special education, IEPs (Individual Education Plans) and provide general special needs information.
  - Classes can be offered on topics such as ADHD/Autism, Social Skills for Asperger's Syndrome, Demystifying the IEP process, and Transitioning Families with Special Needs. For more info call DSN: 366-6898 or Commercial: +32 (0) 65-326-898.

### June 18

- **New Parent Support Program**
- **Heinsberg Hospital Tours** - Tours are held monthly. Next tour date is June 18. Meet in the Heinsberg Hospital Lobby at 6 p.m. No registration required.

### June 24 to Aug. 5

- **Sports/Fitness Upcoming Events**
- **USAG Benelux-Schinnen Summer Basketball Camp** - A summer basketball camp, for the high school, grades 9-12. This camp will run from June 24 through Aug. 5. Practice will take place at the Schinnen Fitness Center every Tuesday beginning June 24 at 5 p.m. Both boys and girls will be given the opportunity to practice up on their shooting, passing, rebounds, and free throw skills during the camp. For more information, contact the Schinnen Fitness Center at DSN 360-7561, comm. +31 (0)46-443-7561 or email: USArmy.Schinnen.IMCOM-Europe.List.Schinnen-FC@mail.mil.

### Register now

### July 25 to 26

- **Run-a-thon Challenge** - The Tri Border gets ready for the run of a life time by hosting a 12 hour Run-a-thon Challenge. The event will be held at the JFC Sports Complex (Slag Heap). The run will begin at midnight on Friday and run until noon on Saturday. Sign your team up today. Individual sign ups are also welcome and will be placed on a team. For more information, call the Schinnen Fitness Center at DSN 360-7561, civilian 046-4437561 or email: USArmy.Schinnen.IMCOM-Europe.List.Schinnen-FC@mail.mil.

**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 08:00-08:00)

Vender permits will be on sale at the Event Center (Bldg 303) the Wednesday prior from 08:30-11:30.  
After that permits can be purchased from MW Ops (Bldg 207)

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

## SHAPE/CHIEVRES COMMUNITY

### June 16 to Aug. 22

- **CYS Services Summer Camp** for kindergarten to eighth grade offers parents a solution to the age-old summer statement, "I'm bored!" For details, call Parent Central Services at DSN 423-6039/6099 or CIV 065.446039/6099..

## BRUSSELS COMMUNITY

### June 12

- **ACS Financial Readiness Workshop** - Get the skills you need to be financially solvent and prosperous. Contact Army Community Service at DSN 368-9783/02-7179783.

### Register now

### 1 June

- **Breakfast with the American Legion National Commander, Daniel Dellinger** - From 8 to 10 a.m. at the 3 Star Lounge. Seating is limited. RSVP at legionriderspostbeo2@gmail.com.

Community Roundup

### Movie schedule at the SHAPE Cinema

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

<b>May 30</b>	7 p.m.	X-Men Days of future past 3D	PG-13	130 min
	8:45 p.m.	Neighbors	R	96 min
<b>May 31</b>	4 p.m.	Blended	PG-13	117 min
	6:45 p.m.	X-Men Days of future past 3D	PG-13	130 min
	9 p.m.	A Haunted House 2	R	86 min
<b>June 1</b>	3 p.m.	Million Dollar Arm	PG	120 min
	6 p.m.	Mom's Night Out	PG-13	98 min

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

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

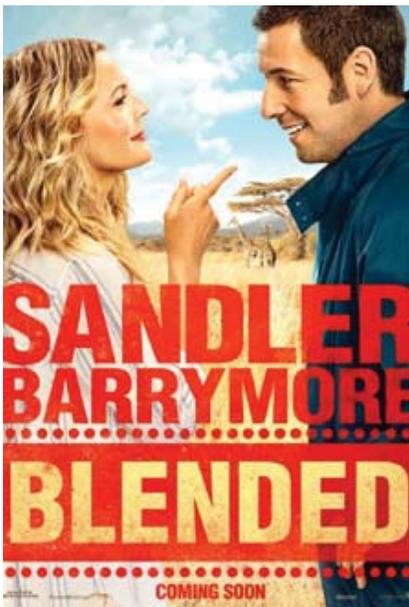
**ImagiBraine** - Boulevard de France, 1420 Braine l'Alleud  
Check the schedule and purchase your tickets at : <http://kinopolis.be/nl/bioscopen/kinopolis-imagibraine>.

**Kinopolis** - Boulevard du Centenaire 20, 1020 Bruxelles. Check the schedule at <http://kinopolis.be/fr/cinemas/kinopolis-bruxelles>.

### Movie schedule at the 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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	7 p.m.	The Amazing Spider-Man 2	PG-13	90 min



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