

THE GAZETTE

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

Benelux news briefs

Brussels AFCU closes for AC installation

Andrews Federal Credit Union's Brussels Branch will be closed July 9, 10 and 11 due to air-conditioning installation. (The USAG Brussels ATM will be available for cash withdrawals, but any other in-branch services should be done at the Chièvres or Schinnen locations, or via online banking.)

Chièvres Alterations updates business hours

The Chièvres Alterations Shop, located inside the PX-tra, has new hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed Mondays, Wednesdays and weekends.

Ottawa Gate closed for maintenance

Ottawa Gate at SHAPE will be closed this week due to maintenance repair.

Brussels' 3 Star Lounge closes temporarily

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

Questions can be answered by the Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, or DFMWR, at DSN 368-9680 or civilian 02-7179680.



USAG Benelux Soldiers compete

Pvt. 2 Richard N. Fletcher shelters a "wounded fellow Soldier" while returning enemy fire July 1 at the training area on Chièvres Air Base. This was part of the USAG Benelux Third Quarter board. The competition started at 5:45 a.m. with a 4-mile forced march immediately followed by a battle fitness test, which simulated actions a Soldier may do on a battle field. It was followed by a warrior lane that tested Soldiers' abilities to perform 10 level warrior skills. The events were individual movement techniques, evaluate a casualty and treat an abdominal wound, report intelligence, react to man-to-man contact, protect from biological and chemical agent, weapons training, map reading, employ hand grenades, and media training. After that, the Soldiers moved to the indoor range where they first conducted a SHARP lane and simulated an actual event to which the Soldiers had to react accordingly, followed by a live-fire event for the M9 pistol. The last event was a regular board convened by USAG Benelux Command Sgt. Maj. Robert D. Carter. Winners were Spc. Andrew C. McCannon in the Soldier category and Sgt. Bryan R. Teneyck in the non-commissioned officer category. (U.S. Army photo by Donovan Abrassart)

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Fourth of July celebrates America's freedom

by Lt. Gen. David Halverson
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Each year, people come together on the Fourth of July to celebrate America's freedom with backyard barbecues, community parades and, for some, fireworks. On this occasion, let us remember what the meaning of this day means. President John Adams wrote of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, "I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought

'Army Safe is Army Strong.'

to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other."

Many people will celebrate this Independence Day as President Adams intended by attending parades, festivals and fireworks displays and by hosting or attending barbecues. While these events are fun and celebrate the birth of this great nation, they can also be dangerous. Command Sgt. Maj. Jeff Hartless and I want to remind everyone to focus on safety this Fourth of July. The safest way to enjoy fireworks is to watch a public display conducted by

professionals. However, if fireworks are legal where you live, parents and caregivers should be especially cautious and never allow children near fireworks.

The holiday may also bring fires and injuries due to outdoor cooking. By taking a few fire-safety precautions, you can ensure that everyone enjoys a safe Independence Day. Keep fire pits and barbecue pits away from structures, tents, patio covers or overhanging trees. Keep the fire to a minimum and have a means of extinguishing it nearby. Enjoy the experience with a few precautions.

This year, a number of you will travel to holiday hotspots or visit friends and family. The odds of being involved in an accident are higher during this holiday period. Plan your trip using the Travel Risk Planning System at <https://safety.army.mil>. Be aware of the risk factors: fatigue, distractions and road conditions. Never text while driving. You are a valued member of our team. Look out for yourself, your family and your buddies. The loss of anyone is a heartbreak. Come home safe.

Finally, the holidays can be stressful. If you find yourself anxious, fearful or depressed, seek help. Your family, your friends and your co-workers all care. Watch out for each other, and remember



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that you can visit <http://www.armyg1.army.mil/hr/suicide/> for additional help.

Every holiday is a chance to get away and recharge your batteries. Get out, and have fun. Remember those who founded our great nation – those who pledged their lives, their fortunes and their honor. Command Sgt. Maj. Hartless and I are proud of all that you do. Be safe this weekend – Army Safe is Army Strong.

Army Strong!

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Independence Day to be celebrated across Benelux

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, The event will also have a water slide, field games and vehicle displays. For details, call the Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, or DFMWR, at DSN 368-9667 or civilian 02-7179667.

Schedule of events

- 3 p.m.: Start of event
- World War II vehicles and classic cars on display. Children can have fun at Kids Games, face-painting and bouncy castles.
- 4 p.m.: Relay games
- Balloon-sculpture artist
- 5 p.m.: Frozen T-shirt Contest in Main Tent (The winner is the one who thaws out a shirt and puts it on first.)
- 5:30 p.m.: Brussels American Community Choir
- 6 p.m.: Color Guard / National Anthem
- 6:05 p.m.: Opening Remarks
- 7 p.m.: SHAPE Band
- 9 p.m.: disc jockey – Variety Music
- 11 p.m.: Fireworks Display

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.

SHAPE/Chièvres

The Benelux/Chièvres community invites you to come celebrate Independence Day at the SHAPE shopping area July 4, starting at noon and concluding with a fireworks display at 11 p.m. Open to all SHAPE ID cardholders. The Cat in the Hat will be celebrating America's birthday on SHAPE, too, from 1 to 4 p.m., courtesy of SHAPE International Library and Chièvres Library. This Dr. Seuss character fits in well with Independence Day-themed craft activities that library staff will sponsor. Those who are still in a celebratory mood after the fireworks have ended may go to the SHAPE Events Center where the party will continue. Call DSN 361-5643 or civilian 068-275643.

Schedule of events

- All Day: Carnival rides, food-and-drink sales, World War II vehicle exhibition
- Noon to 1:30 p.m.: live AFN broadcast with a dance contest
- 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.: New Orleans Jazz Band
- 4:30 to 5 p.m.: Frozen T-shirt contest (You could be the first to thaw out a shirt and wear it.)
- 5 to 7 p.m.: SHAPE Band Task Force X
- 7 to 11 p.m.: DJ lineup: DJ Nicki Sanchez, DJ Daddy K and more.
- 11 p.m.: Fireworks
- The festivities continue at the SHAPE Events Center.

Schinnen/Brunssum

Come out to the Brunssum Sports Fields 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.

Local private organizations will be serving food. The Independence Day celebration also offers entertainment, including Birds of Prey shows, motorcycle displays, a climbing wall, bouncy castles, and rides for the younger children and teens.

Most events are free, except for the dunking booth, large rides and arcades, and sumo suits.

Food is paid for in cash to each vendor while drinks are purchased using tickets that will be on sale from 2 to 11 p.m. All fees are in euros.

Schedule of events

- 10 a.m.: Splash and Dash Fun Run (parking lot)
- 2 p.m.: Start of event
- DJ, motorcycle display, classic cars (vicinity of DJ table)
- 2:30 p.m.: flag football, kickball and volleyball (track infield)
- 3 p.m.: Birds of Prey show No. 1 (fields)
- Dunking booth (to be determined)
- 3:30 p.m.: Fred Starks "Cosy" Band (MoTown and soul) No. 1 (main stage)
- 4:30 p.m.: Birds of Prey show No. 2 (fields)
- 4:50 p.m.: Fred Starks "Cosy" Band (MoTown and soul) No. 2 (main stage)
- 5:45 p.m.: Birds of Prey show No. 3 (fields)
- 6:10 p.m.: Independence Day cake (Canadians) (fest tent)
- 7 p.m.: AFE Dave Matthews Tribute Band (light rock) (parking-lot stage)
- 9 p.m.: Desalles "the Clown" (fest tent)
- 9:30 p.m.: Live band "Stone" (rock) (main stage)
- 11 p.m.: Drink ticket sales close.
- 11:15 p.m.: Fireworks display
- 1 a.m.: Parking lot closes. (NIC Site)

In related news, the inaugural Tri-Border Independence Day Safety Motorcycle Ride, sponsored by the Geilenkirchen Riders Association, roars off to a start July 5 at 10 a.m. from the Main Gate parking lot on Geilenkirchen NATO Air Base and ends at the Independence Day celebration. The ride includes a luncheon gathering so be sure to have lunch money with you.

Holiday causes closures

Benelux

The following closures will occur across the Benelux region in relation to Independence Day:

- Andrews Federal Credit Union branches
Closed July 4.
- U.S. Post Offices
Closed July 4.

Brussels

Because of the Brussels American Independence Day Celebration July 5, these facilities will adjust their hours:

- Shoppette and Food Court
Closed July 4.
- Fitness Center
Closed July 1, 4, 5, 6, 7. (Open July 3 until 4 p.m.)
- Auto Skills
Closed July 2 to 9.
- Library
Closed July 4 to 7.
- Andrews Federal Credit Union branch
Closed July 9, 10 and 11 for air-conditioning installation.

Schinnen

Schinnen offices closing around Independence Day are:

- Commissary
Closed July 4 but open July 5 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Main Exchange
Closed July 4. (Shoppette/Express will be open July 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. All Exchange facilities at Schinnen will be open July 5 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.)

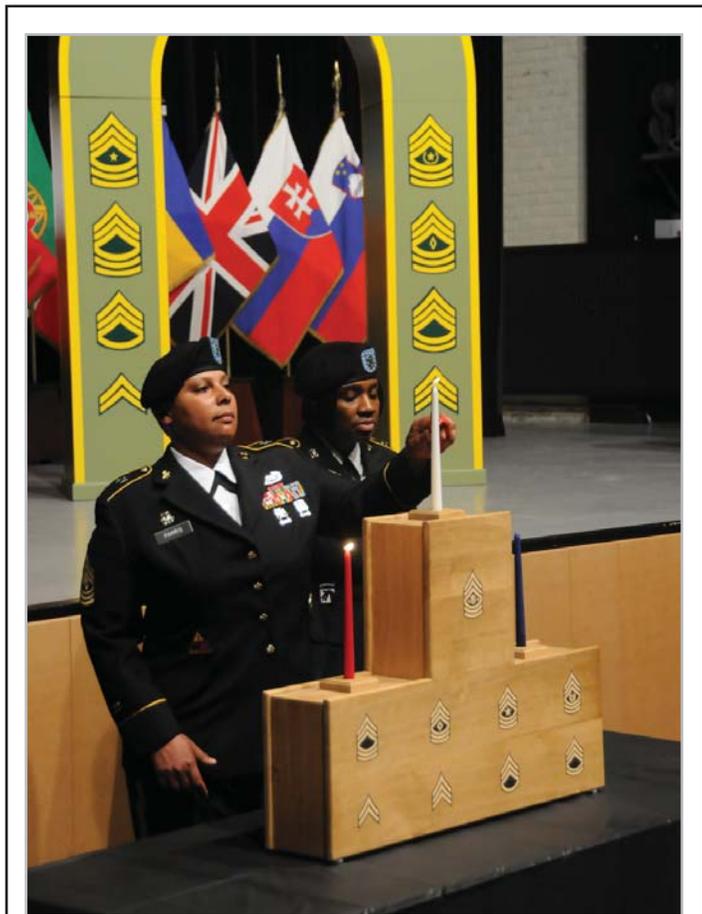
No U.S. services (notary, power of attorney, wills, taxes) will be available July 4 or July 7.

- 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 July 5.
- Schinnen Fitness Center
Open July 4 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed July 5.

SHAPE/Chièvres

Facilities in SHAPE/Chièvres will be affected by the Independence Day holiday weekend in the following ways:

- Chièvres Auto Skills Center
Closed July 4.
- Chièvres Fitness Center
Closed July 4.
- Chièvres Commissary
Closed July 4. (Open regular hours July 5 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., early-bird hours from 9 to 10 a.m. for self-checkout only.)
- Chièvres Post Exchange and PXtra
Open July 4 but operating on holiday hours from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Chièvres food court
Open July 4 but operating on holiday hours from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Chièvres Library
Closed July 4. (SHAPE International Library will be open July 4 during regular hours from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Both libraries will be open July 5 during regular hours.)



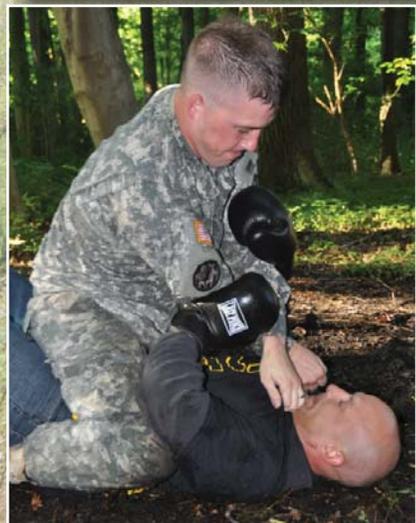
AFNORTH inducts Soldiers into NCO Corps

During an AFNORTH non-commissioned officer induction ceremony June 26, 1st Sgt. Monique Parris lights the white candle, which stands for the purity and commitment of the NCO, and 1st Sgt. Etola Nesbitt waits to light the blue candle, a symbol of the valor and pride of the NCO. The red candle, already lit, symbolizes the courage and strength of the NCO. A group of 17 Soldiers joined the ranks of the NCO Corps during the ceremony. (U.S. Army photo by Keith Houin)

Do you want to be in the spotlight?
Do you or someone you know have an interesting hobby?
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Soldiers compete to be best
 (Clockwise from top) Pfc. Kegan N. Carpenter runs for shelter as he completes the Individual Movement Techniques lane. | Spc. Andrew C. McCannon throws a hand grenade. | Sgt. Bryan R. Teneyck tests his map-reading skills and dismantles a weapon. | Spc. Andrew C. McCannon answers a journalist's questions. | Sgt. Bradley A. Zink neutralizes an aggressor. | Sgt. Bradley A. Zink looks over the enemy's position and reports intelligence. | Sgt. Joseph F. Quirarte Jr. runs toward a building controlled by the enemy to dislodge them with hand grenades. (U.S. Army photos by Donovan Abrassart)

Trenches to Foxholes

This week in World War history (June 29 to July 5)

World War I

1914

July 5 - Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany pledges his country's unconditional support to whatever action Austria-Hungary chooses to take in its conflict with Serbia.

1915

June 29 - The Italians launch an unsuccessful attack against Austro-Hungary at what will be called the First Battle of Isonzo. There will be 12 in all.

July 1 - Russia creates a Central War Industries Committee to oversee production and address a severe shortage of artillery shells and rifles on the Front. Russian soldiers in the field without rifles can only get them from fellow soldiers after they are killed or wounded.

1916

July 1 - The British Army suffers the worst single-day death toll in its history as 18,800 soldiers are killed on the first day of the Battle of the Somme. The losses come as 13 attacking divisions encounter German defenses that are still intact despite the seven-day bombardment designed to knock them out. The Somme offensive quickly becomes a battle of attrition as British and French troops make marginal gains against the Germans but repeatedly fail to break through the entire Front as planned.

1917

July 2 - Greece declares war on the Central Powers, following the abdication of pro-German King Constantine who is replaced by a pro-Allied administration led by Prime Minister Eleftherios Venizelos. Greek soldiers are now added to the Allied ranks.

- Manfred von Richthofen, The Red Baron, scores his 57th victory when he shoots down a British Royal Flying Corps No. 53 Squadron RE.8 two-seat reconnaissance and bomber biplane killing 2nd Lt. Frank Guy Buckingham Pascoe and Sgt. Hubert Arthur Whatley over Deûlémont, France.

July 3 - Belgian ace Edmond Thieffry downs two German Albatros D.IIIs north of Diksmuide, Belgium, between 1:30 and 1:32 p.m. for his fifth and sixth victories. Thieffry becomes the first Belgian fighter pilot to shoot down two enemy aircraft in one day. As a reward, he was commissioned a sous-lieutenant, made Chevalier de l'Ordre de Léopold (Knight of the Order of Léopold), awarded the Croix de guerre Belge (the Belgian War Cross) and personally decorated by King Vittorio Emanuele of Italy.

July 4 - U.S. troops make their first public display of World War I, marching through the streets of Paris to the grave of the Marquis de Lafayette, a French aristocrat and hero of the American Revolutionary War.

1918

July 3 - With Turkish forces in the final months of fighting against the Allied powers during World War I, Mohammed V, sultan of the Ottoman Empire, dies at the age of 73.

July 4 - Australian Corps of the Australian Imperial Force and several American units launch attacks against German positions in and around Le Hamel in northern France.

World War II

1940

July 4 - British submarine HMS Pandora sinks French gunboat Rigault de Genouilly off Oran, Algeria.

- French bombers attack the British fleet at Gibraltar (causing no damage) while the submarines, armed merchant cruisers and destroyers based in Dakar are ordered to sortie to attack British shipping.

- The Vichy French government breaks off all relations with the United Kingdom.

1941

July 1 - Erwin Rommel is promoted to the rank of General der Panzertruppe (General of the Armored Corps). His leadership in the North African campaign established him as one of the most able commanders of the war and earned him the nickname the Desert Fox.

1942

June 29 - USS Saratoga arrives at Pearl Harbor, U.S. Territory of Hawaii after ferrying aircraft to Midway Atoll.

- German 4th Panzer Army threatens to surround the Soviet 40th Army as the Germans advance toward Voronezh in southern Russia; 1,000 Soviet tanks were released from the reserves to reinforce the defense.

July 5 - Flying ace Lance C. Wade destroys a Messerschmitt Bf 109. Wade was an American pilot who joined the Royal Air Force in 1940. He is the leading American ace to serve exclusively in a foreign air force. He is credited with 25 aerial victories.

1943

July 2 - Japanese physicist Yoshio Nishina meets with his army liaison officer Maj. Gen. Ryokichi Nobuji and reports that he expects to be successful with the nuclear research project. He notes that he has 10 kilograms of uranium-235 to create an atomic bomb, but he needs a large cyclotron to conduct experiments to confirm this theory. Nobuji promised further funding.

- U.S. Army 43rd Division begins to move from Rendova to New Georgia in the Solomon Islands, covered by gunfire from U.S. Marines 9th Defense Battalion and U.S. Army 192nd Field Artillery. Japanese bombers attempt to interfere by attacking supply dumps on Rendova, causing heavy casualties.

1944

June 30 - A transport of 2,044 Jews from Athens and Corfu Island in Greece arrives at Auschwitz Concentration Camp in occupied Poland; 455 men and 175 women were registered into the camp while the remainder were gassed.

July 3 - The German 12th SS Panzer Division and supporting units try to dislodge British troops holding Caen, France. The enemy focus on Caen allows the American VIII Corps to reach Coutances and frees Gen. George S. Patton's U.S. Third Army to sweep through northwestern France.

- USS Wasp's aircraft attacks Japanese positions on Iwo Jima and Chichi Jima of the Bonin Islands.

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

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Schinnen ACS offers financial counseling

One-on-One Counseling - Receive specialized help and support on subjects ranging from local utility bills to personal finances. Call Schinnen's financial-readiness counselor at Army Community Service for an appointment at civilian +31 (0) 46-4437450.

Meditate at Schinnen ACS

Meditation Mondays - Join others Mondays from noon to 1 p.m. in the Army Community Service Family Advocacy Program, or FAP, Lounge in Building 39 on Schinnen and begin the week by slowing down, getting centered and quieting your mind.

For information and registration, call DSN 360-7500 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437500.

SATO starts summer hours

Summer operating hours for the CWT SatoTravel Office at Chièvres Air Base will be Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., starting July 14 and running through Sept. 5. Normal operating hours will resume Sept. 8.

Summer travel

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. 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.

Book clubs - The Kids Book Club and the Preteen/Teen Book Club are taking a break for the summer. The Kids Book Club resumes Sept. 11 at 4:30 p.m. while the Preteen/Teen Book Club resumes Sept. 18 at 4:30 p.m. Both clubs will meet monthly during the school year.

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 started 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.

Brunssum Gym offers self-defense

Women's Self-Defense Classes - Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7 to 8 a.m. at the JFC Brunssum Gym. Cost is €5 per session. Call civilian +31 (0) 6-52368426.

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Brunssum Gym changes hours

The JFC Brunssum Fitness Center has new hours: Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Fitness Center is available for use outside of normal working hours, or ONWH, providing the user has attended an ONWH Fitness Center safety and registration brief. These briefings are conducted at the JFC Fitness Center Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m.

The following are eligible to use the fitness center: active-duty military, NATO civilians, military retirees and dependents, age 18 and older.

Contact DSN 364-3170 or civilian +31 (0) 45-5263170.

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.

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>.

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. Season starts 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 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 old (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.

Have something for the Gazette?
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Read about events near Chièvres, SHAPE and Brussels.

July 4 to Aug. 10

- **Brussels Beach** (Bruxelles les Bains) opens its urban beach Tuesday to Sunday, at the Quai des Péniches near the Place Saintelette from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, closed Mondays and from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on the other days. Get information about this urban beach at <http://www.bruxellesles-bains.be/programme>.

July 4

- **Market in Dour** with local products and catering. Open from 5 to 9 p.m. on Voie du Pêtre at the Site Des Anciennes Câbleries.

July 5

- **Volksmarch in Wodecq** for 4, 7, 14, 25, 50 km. Departs on Vieux Moulin 4 from 6 to 9 a.m. for the 50 km route and from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. for the other routes.
- **Cover Festival in Hautrage** on the square from 7 p.m. to midnight. Admission is €15.



July 5 to 6

- **Local festivities in Horrues** - Showing of the game between Belgium and Argentina on giant screen as of 5:30 p.m. on the square followed by music. Historical procession Sunday at 9 a.m.
- **Beach Volley tournament in Leuze-en-Hainaut** - from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Avenue des Sports. Participation fee is €40 per team, free for spectators.

July 6

- **Volksmarch in Neder-Over-Hembeek** for 5, 10, 15, 20 km. Departs on Avenue de Versailles from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Casteau** for 5, 10, 15, 20 km. Departs on Rue Saint-Antoine 5b from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.



- **Concert in Leuze** by the Orchestre Royal de Chambre de Wallonie (Royal Orchestra of Wallonia). The concert starts at 4 p.m. at the town hall. Admission is free.



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

Through July 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/>.
- **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.

July 5

- **Coninx Pop in Elsloo** is an admission-free pop festival held along the river Maas. The festival starts at 2 p.m.
- **Art and Antique Market in Haarlem** is held at Op de Dreef in the city center from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- **Antiques and Curiosa Market in Heusden** is held on Burchtplein 5 in this fortified Dutch city.

July 5 to 6

- **Medieval Knights' Event in Paterswolde** is held at the Vennebroek Estate on Hoofdweg 251b. Experience a medieval village, market, tournament and more. Open both days from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: adults €9; children €6.



LES ARDENTES
LIÈGE MUSIC FESTIVAL

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July 10/13

- **Music festival "Les Ardentes" in Liège** - Located in the heart of a lush-green park close to the city, the Ardentes is a festival both urban and rural, which provides a large outdoor stage in the Parc Astrid, and two indoor stages in the "Halles des Foires" (Exhibition Halls). Read more about it at <http://www.lesardentes.be/2014/en/festival/presentation>.

Ongoing

July 3

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



Ommegang Oppidi Bruxellensis

- **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. You'll find more information at <http://www.ommegang.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. Get details 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 5 to 6 continued

- **Afrikafestival in Hertme** at the open-air theater on Hertmerweg has a fantastic lineup. Artists will perform a mix of African music, Afrobeat and jazz. It also offers an African market and African food. Visit www.afrikafestivalhertme.nl.
- **RosRock 2014 in Rossum** is a unique rock-festival held in the middle of an apple orchard. Bands from all over the world participate. For more information, visit <http://www.rosrock.nl/site/>.

July 5, 12, 19 and 26

- **Antique and Curiosa Market in Roermond**, held at Kloosterwandplein in the center of town from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., is small but attractive.

July 6

- **We Love Ibiza Fair in Drimmelen**, held on Marinaweg 50, represents everything the Spanish island of Ibiza has to offer. It has fashion and lifestyle; beauty and wellness; music and more, and is open from noon to 8 p.m.
- **Oud Limburgs Schuttersfeest in Papenhoven/Grevenbicht** is the largest meeting of shooters (Schutterijen) clubs in both the Belgian and Dutch provinces of Limburg. More than 160 clubs participate in this folkloric and traditional event that takes place this year. Admission: adults €5; children 12 and younger – free admission. Festivities start around 11 a.m.
- **Lekkerbekkenmarkt in Peer**, Belgium, is a food-tasting event with stands offering all kinds of delicacies from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. in the city center on Market Square.
- **D'Etalage in Wommelgem**, Belgium, is a creative crafts market with clothes, jewelry, ceramics, paintings, food and more, held at Fort Wommelgem on Fort li-Straat 54 from noon to 6 p.m.

July 9

- **Antique and Year Market in Enniger**, which is part of Ennigerloh, Germany, is an annual market.

July 10 to 13

- **Wine Fest in Jülich**, Germany, is an attractive fest held at the castle square.

July 11 to 13

- **North Sea Jazz Festival in Rotterdam**, held at Ahoy, is one of the most renowned jazz festivals in the world. Visit <http://www.northseajazz.nl>.

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.

Through Sept. 5

- **Cheese market in Alkmaar** is famous worldwide for its cheese. See cheese carriers in action every Friday between 10 a.m. and noon.

SHAPE Trips & Tours

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

Efteling Theme Park, July 12 – The whole family can experience a magical day at the largest theme park in the Netherlands, which is also one of the oldest theme parks in the world. Departs SHAPE at 7 a.m. and Brussels at 8 a.m. 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 – Visit the "world capital for business and culture." Departs 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 windshield 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 London 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

To commemorate the centenary of World War I ("The War to End All Wars" broke out in August 1914), 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

Happening now

- **Register now for Brussels VBS** - USAG Benelux-Brussels American Chapel is offering online registration now for its Vacation Bible School, which runs July 28 to Aug. 1 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The VBS theme is "Weird Animals: Where Jesus' Love is One-of-a-Kind." Children, ages 5 to 12, are welcome to participate. Older friends are invited to help lead. To register, visit <https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/USAGBrussels>. Registration deadline is July 25. Direct your questions to chapel staff at DSN 368-9747 or civilian 02-7179747.

July 4

- **Independence Day at Hard Rock Café** - The American Club of Brussels will celebrate with American decorations, live music and American atmosphere. Visit <http://www.americanclubbrussels.org/event-1712425>.

July 10

- **Personal-finance workshop** - Building your financial future using the tools you'll learn to use at personal-finance workshops offered Thursdays at Brussels Army Community Service. The next class is "Your Bank and Credit-Union Accounts" from 1 to 2 p.m.

SCHINNEN/BRUNSSUM COMMUNITY

July 8

- **How to Become Debt-Free** - from 11 a.m. to noon at Army Community Service. It may feel like you're digging yourself out of debt with a teaspoon. However, to make any progress, you need to make small changes. By creating a budget and understanding your psychology toward your finances, you will be able to create your own path toward financial freedom. The process of becoming debt-free may be slow, but every effort is another step toward getting yourself out of the red. For more information or to register, contact Schinnen ACS at DSN 360-7450/7500 or civilian +31 (0)46-4437450/7500.

July 8 and 15

- **Scream Free Parenting** - This parenting class is offered from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Airman and Family Readiness Center in Geilenkirchen, Germany, and is sponsored by the Family Advocacy/Victim Advocate.

July 9

- **EFMP coordinator in Schinnen** - The Benelux Exceptional Family Member Program coordinator is available by appointment only at the Schinnen Army Community Service. 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 information about EFMP, call DSN 366-6898 or civilian 065-326898.

July 11

- **Lunch and Learn: When Kids and Parents Disagree** - Add a few parenting techniques to your toolkit at the JFC Brunssum Library from noon to 1 p.m.

SHAPE/CHIEVRES COMMUNITY

Happening now

- **Tickets on sale for Willy Wonka Jr.** - Roald Dahl's Willy Wonka Jr. at the SHAPE Players Theater runs July 24, 25 and 26 at 7:30 p.m. with a matinee performance July 26 at 2 p.m. Admission is \$8. Credit cards are accepted, but don't wait. Tickets for SHAPE Players performances sell out fast. Call DSN 423-3312 or civilian 065-443312 to purchase tickets.

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 on SHAPE. 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>.

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.

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.	Transformers: Age of Extinction	PG-13	166 min
	8 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	130 min
	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.	Dawn of the Planet of the Apes	PG-13	130 min
	6 p.m.	Tammy	R	96 min
July 16	Noon	Earth to Echo	PG	91 min
	2 p.m.	The Fault in our Stars	PG-13	125 min
July 17	Noon	The Amazing Spider-Man 2	PG-13	142 min
	3 p.m.	Dawn of the Planet of the Apes	PG-13	130 min
July 18	4 p.m.	Planes: Fire and Rescue 3D	PG	None stated
	6 p.m.	22 Jump Street	R	109 min
July 19	4 p.m.	Dawn of the Planet of the Apes	PG-13	130 min
	7 p.m.	The Purge: Anarchy	R	104 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>.

July 4	7 p.m.	Maleficent	PG	98 min
July 5	4 p.m.	Earth to Echo	PG	91 min
	7 p.m.	Tammy	R	96 min
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July 18	7 p.m.	The Purge: Anarchy	R	104 min
July 19	4 p.m.	Planes: Fire and Rescue	PG	None stated
	7 p.m.	Edge of Tomorrow	PG-13	113 min