

THE GAZETTE

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

Benelux news briefs

Know a WWII veteran?

Veterans of World War II will be honored at the Army in Europe Retiree Appreciation Day hosted Oct. 25 at USAG Wiesbaden's Clay Kaserne in connection with the 70th anniversary of the liberation of Europe by Allied Forces.

If you are a World War II veteran living in Europe or know of one, send an email to usarmy.wiesbaden.usareur.mbx.aerc-pres@mail.mil or call Germany +49 (0) 611-7053919 to provide your contact information or the veteran's information and, if applicable, to indicate your interest in participating in Retiree Appreciation Day so the garrison can provide details.

A cut-off date for the identification of WWII veterans has been set for Sept. 12.

Gazette submissions

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Call for bloggers

USAG Benelux is looking for bloggers for an upcoming historical program. Email usarmy.benelux.imcom-europe.list.pao@mail.mil with "interested in blogging" as the subject line.

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AFNORTH welcomes new CSM

Lt. Col. Sean G. Barrett, commander of Allied Forces Command North Battalion, passes the guidon to Command Sgt. Maj. Travis R. Childers as Travis assumes responsibility of the battalion. (U.S. Army photo by Donovan Abrassart)

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FREEDOM 6 SENDS

Army reinforces pledge with theme

'Ready and Resilient - Keeping our Army Strong'

by Lt. Gen. Donald Campbell

Commanding General, U.S. Army Europe

I want to take this opportunity to talk to you, our U.S. Army Europe Soldiers, civilians and families, as you remain our strength, demonstrating unparalleled skill and professionalism in supporting our great Army and defending our nation. However, you can only do this because of the personal resiliency you maintain and improve upon every day.

This month, we call special attention to our ongoing efforts at building individual resiliency skills during the Army's observance of Suicide Awareness Month. This year's theme, "Enhancing Resiliency - Strengthening Our Professionals," reinforces our pledge to not only build resilience, but to support those in need and in turn, enhance perfor-

mance, increase readiness and build a stronger force.

I challenge every member of our team to seek training opportunities, use available services and resources and continue to develop skills that build personal resilience and lead to positive outcomes during periods of increased stress. Hunt the good stuff as we prepare for a dynamic fall and winter season.

Leaders at all levels must set the conditions for enduring culture change in our profession by being interveners instead of bystanders and by living the Army Values daily. Leaders must also bolster resiliency through education and through training and awareness activities. These include training in Comprehensive Soldier and Family Fitness, prevention of sexual harassment and assault, suicide prevention, assessments and intervention techniques and activities that support stigma reduction.

To that end, this month USAREUR will host a Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention Program Senior Leader Summit that will focus on the "I.A.M. Strong Campaign" - Intervene to Prevent, Act to Prevent, Motivate to Prevent.



Lt. Gen. Donald Campbell

We have an immense opportunity and responsibility to shape our future leaders. The USAREUR team is already strong, and by working together, we can be even stronger. We will continue to strengthen our profession by empowering those around us to build a culture of resilience.

Strong Soldiers, Strong Teams!

'Hunt the good stuff as we prepare for a dynamic fall and winter season.'

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SHARP 24/7 SEXUAL ASSAULT HOTLINES

Victim Advocate Hotlines
SHAPE/Chièvres and Brussels: +32 (0) 476-762264
Schinnen: +31 (0) 651-919119
DOD Safe Helpline: 001-877-995-5247

Leaders dedicated to SHARP

This month's SHARP Senior Leader Summit hosted by U.S. Army Europe will focus on the "I.A.M. Strong Campaign" — Intervene to Prevent, Act to Prevent, Motivate to Prevent.

The Army's Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention program exists so that the Army can prevent incidents of sexual harassment and sexual assault before they occur, according to the Army's SHARP Guidebook at <http://www.eur.army.mil/SHARP/files/SHARPGuidebook.pdf>.

SHARP's mission is to promote an Army culture and command climate that ensures adherence to the Army Values and ensures that every Army team member will be treated with dignity and respect at all times.

Soldiers, Department of the Army civilians and family members serve and support the Army and the nation; they deserve no less.

The Army is committed to this end. In fact, Army Directive 2013-20 states that all evaluations beginning after Sept. 27, 2013, require an assessment of the service member's commitment to eliminating sexual harassment and assault and to fostering climates of dignity and respect in the unit.

Every Soldier has a duty to intervene to prevent sexual harassment and sexual assault. It can be done by creating a culture where Soldiers believe that failure to prevent sexual harassment and sexual assault is incompatible with Army Values and Warrior Ethos. This culture change is possible when every Soldier and DA civilian refuses to tolerate, condone or ignore sexual harassment or sexual assault. Everyone must have the personal courage to Intervene, Act, and Motivate others to take action when needed. If you are aware of a sexual assault, or someone who is being harassed, report it immediately to your sexual assault response coordinator or your unit victim advocate.

Contact the USAG Benelux sexual assault response coordinator, or SARC, for assistance at DSN 366-6863 or you can reach a victim advocate 24 hours a day in the Benelux at 32 (0) 476-762264, or Schinnen 31 (0) 651-919119. Anyone can also reach the DOD Safe Helpline for anonymous, confidential, secure assistance 24 hours a day, seven days a week, worldwide: Call 001-877-995-5247, or text a location or ZIP code to 202-470-5546 to receive a list of nearby resources, or via the web at <http://www.safehelpline.org>.

Army Suicide Stand Down scheduled in Benelux

Army leaders are instructed to conduct resiliency and suicide-prevention activities sometime during Sept. 23 to 25 in order to increase resilience, reduce risk and diminish suicidal behavior.

This year's Suicide Stand-Down theme is, "Enhancing Resiliency — Strengthening our Professionals."

Resiliency is the mental, physical, emotional and behavioral ability to face and cope with adversity; adapt to change, recover, learn and grow from setbacks; according to the Army website at <http://www.army.mil/readyandresilient>.

"The most important thing we do is take care of Soldiers, civilians and families," Secretary of the Army John M. McHugh said in "Generating Health and Discipline in the Force" (Gold Book). "However, the obvious stress of 10 years of war in two theaters, inadequate dwell time at home to recover and reconstitute and myriad attendant issues — like high suicide rates, stress on families and communities and a rising number of nondeployable Soldiers — have real implications for the Army today and in the future."

To assist Benelux leaders to accomplish Suicide Stand-Down core elements, the communities of SHAPE, Brussels, Brunssum/Schinnen and Caserne Daumerie will have round-robin training events emphasizing resiliency and life skills:

- Sept. 23 at 8:45 a.m. in Alliance Theatre;
- Sept. 24 at 8:45 a.m. in Brussels Community Center;
- Sept. 25 at 1 p.m. at Brunssum Chapel;
- Sept. 26 at 8 a.m. in the auditorium of Caserne Daumerie's Building 30 (Command Building).

If you or a loved one could use a helping hand, contact your local health-care provider for help. U.S. Army Europe, or USAREUR, has also developed a confidential Military Crisis Line where master-level counselors stand ready with immediate assistance free of charge. They may be reached at DSN 118, or toll-free 00-800-1273-8255, which connects you with the National Suicide Prevention Hotline. Confidential chats are available online at <http://MilitaryCrisisLine.net>.



September is Suicide Prevention Month,
an opportunity to provide education and resource information on suicide and its residual effects on family members.

Benelux team competes at BOSS Games

Special to the Gazette

Camp Darby Better Opportunities for Single Service members

The USAG Benelux BOSS Team competed at the 2014 U.S. Army Installation Management Command-Europe 25th Anniversary BOSS Games in Pisa, Italy, recently, tying for third overall and winning bowling, quizzo (tie) and kayaking.

Nine teams representing seven different U.S. Army garrisons in Europe arrived at Darby Military Community hoping to bring home the gold medal. Eighty Soldiers participated in teams for three action-packed days of sporting, leisure, trivial knowledge and teamwork activities.

“The BOSS Games were important offering a friendly physical and leisure activity for our single Soldiers,” said Angela Flowers, who is the regional manager for Better Opportunities for Single Service members, or BOSS, Program under Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, or FMWR. “The games allowed single Soldiers from all over Europe to meet and compete, and many new friendships were made this weekend.”

IMCOM-E BOSS president Sgt. Brighton Mancillas' favorite part of the games was the obstacle course.

“It was great to see the team members work together to place the best-skilled player at each obstacle,” Mancillas said. “They can take that skill back to their programs and apply it to BOSS events or everyday tasking at their units.”

After three long days of competition, there could only be one winner. Taking home the gold medal by a margin of 6 points was USAG Rheinland-Pfalz: Kaiserslautern. USAG Vicenza took home the silver, while USAG Ansbach and USAG Benelux tied for the bronze. The home-field favorite, Camp Darby, took home fifth place in the competition.

The Darby community was proud to be the host site of the first-ever games, BOSS treasurer Pfc. Christopher Gribble said.

“Hosting the 2014 BOSS Games was a great opportunity to network with other service members from around Europe,” Gribble said. “Camaraderie and competition helped develop the foundation for future games, mentorships, memories.”

The BOSS Games were the brainchild of Darby BOSS adviser Sarah Galon. They were created to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the BOSS program. For 25 years, BOSS programs have helped support the military community by enhancing the quality of life and morale of the single service member.

“We are here to create programs to relieve stress, build resiliency, and culturally and creatively enrich the lives of our BOSS members,” she said.

To learn more about other anniversary events, or the BOSS program, contact your local BOSS representative, BOSS president or BOSS adviser.

Individual Events Results

- Beach Volleyball: Vicenza
- Kayaking: Benelux
- Sand Sculpture: Camp Darby
- Basketball: Ansbach
- Soccer: Kaiserslautern
- Ultimate Frisbee: Vicenza
- Kickball: Ansbach
- Bowling: Benelux
- Obstacle Course: Kaiserslautern
- Tug-of-War: Kaiserslautern



The USAG Benelux team won kayaking at the 2014 U.S. Army Installation Management Command-Europe 25th Anniversary BOSS Games in Pisa, Italy, recently. (Photos by Tiffany Lanigan/IMCOM-E)



The USAG Benelux team tied for first place in quizzo at the recent 2014 U.S. Army Installation Management Command-Europe BOSS Games at Camp Darby.

USA team wins bowling in SACEUR competition

The USA Bowling Team placed first in the SACEUR Bowling competition, one of the Supreme Allied Commander Europe Sports Trophy events, Aug. 28. Dino Drain coached the team. The United States is currently in first



place in the overall competition for this commander's cup.

Only three more events are yet to be played: Orienteering Sept. 25 (Coach Spencer Johnson), dodgeball Oct. 23 (Coach Craig Hale) and Superstars Nov. 20 (Coach Quest Eperjesi). Superstars is a competition testing strength and endurance whose format changes from year to year. (Last year, for example, the event consisted of swimming, running, rowing and endurance testing.)

USA rankings in 2014 SACEUR Sports Trophy Events

- Jan. 23: Volleyball/Coach Darren Stephens (fifth)
- Feb. 13: Swimming/ Coach Cassie Gonzales (second)
- March 20: Biathlon/Coach Quest Eperjesi (first)
- April 24: Racket Sports/Coach Quest Eperjesi (sixth)
- May 22: Athletics (track)/Coach Spencer Johnson (first)
- June 19: Football (soccer)/Coach Tim Gonyea (first)
- Aug. 28: Bowling/Coach Dino Drain (first)
- Sept. 25: Orienteering/Coach Spencer Johnson
- Oct. 23: Dodgeball/Coach Craig Hale
- Nov. 20: Superstars/Coach Quest Eperjesi

In the spotlight

Mark Boggess



Job: Mark is the Morale, Welfare and Recreation, or MWR, events coordinator at USAG Benelux-Schinnen.

Hobby: Several years ago, Mark's wife, Brigitte, became interested in beekeeping, and Mark helped her whenever he had time. At first, they had to keep the bees at a central location where more beekeepers had to locate their hives because there was no room at home or for other reasons. This also meant that the couple had to travel to get to the location.

However, once Mark and his family moved to a place where there is plenty of room to keep an apiary (a collection of hives or colonies of bees), Mark's enthusiasm for beekeeping grew. He even took a course to get his Beekeeping Certificate/diploma from the Dutch National Beekeepers Association. At the moment, Mark and Brigitte have five colonies.

Mark is very impressed with bees and how important these little, hard-working insects are for the eco system. He also likes the "liquid gold" they provide.

"The local, natural product tastes so much better than the store-bought honey," Mark said. "The association held a Beekeepers Tasting Event not that long ago. Fifteen keepers participated and brought their honey. Believe me every single one tasted different and delicious."

Mark and Brigitte have good contacts with several other beekeepers who mentor them and with whom they share ideas and equipment. If they have a problem or questions, there is always somebody to help them. For Mark, his hobby is also a matter of being part of nature. At the same time, it gives him a place to relax and get outdoors after a hard day's work.

If you would like to taste honey from one of the few American beekeepers in the Netherlands (if not the only American beekeeper there), contact Mark at DSN 360-7370 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437370.

Do you want to be in the spotlight?
 Do you or someone you know have an interesting hobby?
 Let us know at usarmy.benelux.imcom-europe.list.pao@mail.mil.

Be aware: Protect your identity

Special to the Gazette

SHAPE Northern Law Center

During recent tax seasons, fraudulent activity concerning attempts to gain and misuse taxpayer identification and personal information have increased. The most common form of identity theft comes from “phishing,” a scam that is usually carried out through an unsolicited email or letter posing as a legitimate request for personal or financial information from an unsuspecting victim.

The most common form of “phishing” seen this tax season comes in the form of a written letter that a taxpayer is supposedly receiving from the Internal Revenue Service. In this letter, the IRS claims to have received your “e-filed” tax return, but also needs you to

respond by phone call with additional information. It is best to contact the IRS directly through a telephone number that is listed on its website at <http://www.irs.gov> to verify whether the mail is indeed a legitimate IRS letter. If, after speaking with an official IRS representative, it is determined that the letter is authentic, then it would be safe to release your personal information over the phone. However, if the IRS has no record of requesting information from you via letter, then do not reply to the sender with your personal information.

The IRS will never initiate communication with taxpayers via email or electronic communication. If you receive an email

from a source claiming to be the IRS that contains a request for additional personal information, the IRS advises taxpayers *not* to open or download any attachments to the email. In addition, do not reply to the email itself or click on any links that might be included in the body of the email. IRS officials suggest you forward the suspicious email to their website directly via phishing@irs.gov, then delete the email from your personal accounts, after initially contacting the IRS directly to confirm if any information is needed from you personally.

SHAPE Northern Law Center is available to assist with tax-related questions about requests for personal information.

Trenches to Foxholes



Chimay, Cendron relive WWII liberation

Re-enactors re-create the liberation of Cendron, Belgium, recently in celebration of the 70th anniversary of the liberation of Chimay and Cendron. It was one of several commemorations that will be featured in next week's Gazette. (Photo by Tim Clark)

AFNORTH Battalion changes NCO leadership

AFNORTH Battalion welcomed Command Sgt. Maj. Travis R. Childers as he assumed responsibility of the battalion from Command Sgt. Maj. Tiffany C. Baseley during a Change of Responsibility ceremony on Chièvres Air Base Friday, Aug. 29, 2014.

"Anyone who has been in the Army for more than a few days knows the significance, the importance and power of a command sergeant major," said Lt. Col. Sean G. Barrett, the battalion commander as he welcomed Childers and thanked Baseley for the great job she performed during her tour of duty as the battalion command sergeant major.

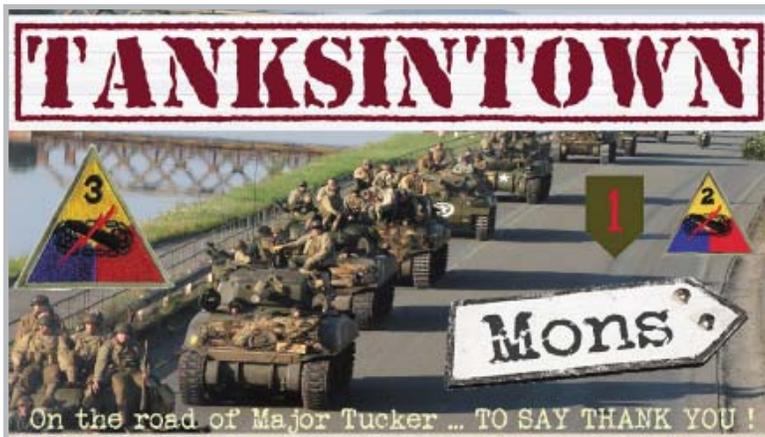


(Clockwise from center) Lt. Col. Sean G. Barrett, commander of Allied Forces Command North Battalion, receives the guidon from AFNORTH Command Sgt. Maj. Tiffany C. Baseley as she relinquishes responsibility of the battalion. • Childers faces AFNORTH Battalion troops as their new command sergeant major. • Allied Forces Northern Europe Crest. (U.S. Army photos by Donovan Abrassart)



Trenches to Foxholes

Armored vehicles to rumble down streets of Mons



Tanks in Town commemorates the liberation of the city of Mons in 1944.

Each year, this event organizes a gathering of armored vehicles, including Shermans, Chaffees, Pershings, tank destroyers and half-tracks as well as other World War II vintage vehicles.

For additional information and to check the program, visit <http://www.tanksintown.be>.

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70th ANNIVERSARY

Saturday (Bois Brûlé)
 STATIC SHOW - Camp
 MILITARIA FLEA MARKET
 TANK RIDES
 SUNDAY
 HISTORICAL PARADE (25km)

AMPHIBIOUS Operation
 Saturday "Grand Large"

Trenches to Foxholes**Next week in World War history (Sept. 7 to 13)****World War I****1914**

Sept. 7 - Sir John French, commander in chief of the British Expeditionary Force, begins his first official dispatch from the Western Front, summarizing the events of the first several weeks of British operations.

"The transport of the troops from England both by sea and by rail was effected in the best order and without a check," French said. "Each unit arrived at its destination in this country [France] well within the scheduled time."

Sept. 9 - In a letter written to the government of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, U.S. Secretary of State Robert Lansing demands the recall of Constantin Dumba, the Austro-Hungarian ambassador in Washington, D.C.

Sept. 13 - French forces reoccupy Soissons and Amiens.

1915

Sept. 8 - A German Zeppelin commanded by Heinrich Mathy, one of the great airship commanders of the war, bombs Aldersgate in central London, killing 22 people and causing £500,000 worth of damage.

Sept. 11 - Delegates to the First International Socialist Conference at Zimmerwald in Switzerland call for an immediate end to the First World War.

1916

Sept. 9 - The Irish 16th Division captures the German-held village of Ginchy, France. Ginchy is a vital strategic position 1.5 kilometers northeast of Guillemont, at the junction of six roads on a rise overlooking Combles, 4 kilometers to the southeast, that commands a view of the entire Somme battlefield.

Sept. 10 - German and Bulgarian forces take Silistra, Bulgaria, in the Dobrudja region. Dobruja is a historical region shared today by Bulgaria and Romania. It is situated between the lower Danube River and the Black Sea, and includes the Danube Delta, Romanian coast and the northernmost part of the Bulgarian coast.

1917

Sept. 11 - The first group of repatriated British prisoners reaches England from Switzerland.

1918

Sept. 12 - The American Expeditionary Force, under the command of Gen. John J. Pershing, launches its first major offensive operation as an independent army. Pershing's first target is a triangular piece of land between the fortified French cities of Verdun and Nancy known as the Saint-Mihiel salient. German troops occupy the salient as a base for their planned push toward Paris. The loss of Paris would be devastating to the allies. The U.S. First Army bombards the fortress and, in only four days, destroys the Germans' hold.

1919

Sept. 10 - Almost one year after an armistice officially ends the war, New York City holds a parade to welcome home Gen. John J. Pershing, commander in chief of the American Expeditionary Force (AEF), and some 25,000 Soldiers who served in the AEF's 1st Division on the Western Front.

World War II**1939**

Sept. 13 - Yasuji Okamura moves his command center for Japanese 11th Army to Xianning, Hubei Province, China, in preparation for the upcoming attack on Changsha in the neighboring Hunan Province.

1940

Sept. 7 - Three hundred German bombers raid London in the first of 57 consecutive nights of bombing. This bombing "blitzkrieg" (lightning war) continues until May 1941.

Sept. 11 - Six French warships passed through the Strait of Gibraltar at the speed of 25 knots. Realizing they were heading for Dakar in French West Africa, British battlecruiser HMS Renown and three destroyers depart at 4 p.m. in an attempt to intercept. Overnight, the French fleet stopped at Casablanca to refuel.

Sept. 13 - Mussolini's forces finally cross the Libyan border into Egypt, achieving what "il Duce" calls the "glory" Italy had sought for three centuries.

1941

Sept. 10 - HMCS Moosejaw and another Flower-class corvette HMCS Chambly share the sinking of the German submarine U-501 by depth charges and ramming; 11 German sailors are killed along with one Canadian sailor who boards the sinking submarine; 37 German sailors survive.

Sept. 12 - Three Allied corvettes and eight destroyers are added to Allied convoy SC-42's escort force. In the air, British Catalina aircraft also appeared to provide protection during the day.

1942

Sept. 9 - A Japanese float plane drops incendiary bombs on an Oregon state forest — the first and only air attack on the U.S. mainland in the war.

1943

Sept. 8 - Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower publicly announces the surrender of Italy to the Allies. Germany reacts with Operation Axis, the Allies with Operation Avalanche.

Sept. 9 - USS Permit damages a Japanese transport between Kwajalein Atoll and Wotje Atoll, Marshall Islands, hitting it with one of three torpedoes fired. A Japanese aircraft spots USS Permit and attacks with depth charges; USS Permit escapes unscathed.

1944

Sept. 7 - The first two German V-2 rockets are fired against the Allies by German Mobile Artillery Detachments.

Sept. 10 - British army Maj. William Cavendish, Lord Hartington, the husband of the sister of future American President John F. Kennedy, is killed in action at Heppen, Belgium, at the hands of a German sniper..

1945

Sept. 9 - Americans begin the repatriation of servicemen from the Pacific theater. Over the next six months, 369 warships will take 1.3 million men back to the United States.

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



Know what's happening at SHAPE Fest with schedule

SHAPE Fest means fun under the fest tent as well as on rides and at booths all around it, too. This international community gathering allows people to get together to eat international food, ride amusements, visit the craft market, listen to live music and watch fireworks light up the night sky.

Booths run by private organizations will also serve as fund-raisers.

Friday night, Sept. 5, Disco Night will be happening under the SHAPE Fest Tent, starting at 8 p.m. Dance to music with DJ Adii and DJ José, and see Brazilian Dancers. Saturday night, Sept. 6, Disco Night with DJ David G. and DJ Daddy K. starts at 9:30 p.m. or immediately following fireworks.

Find out more about SHAPE Fest at <http://www.shape2day.com/eventscentre/shape-fest.aspx>.

Friday, Sept. 5

- 5 to 6 p.m.
CYS Showcase
- 6 to 10 p.m.
Friday Night Fever
With DJ Adii
- 9 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.
Special Performances By
Folie Royale
(For Adults Only)
- 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.
"Let The Sun Shine"
Dance the Night Away
With DJ José

Saturday, Sept. 6

With emcees Marie Carey and Craig Larsen

- Noon to 1 p.m.
"La Planche Jazz"
- 1 to 2 p.m.
NATO Jazz Orchestra
- 2 to 3 p.m.
NATO Jazz Orchestra
- 3 to 4 p.m.
Antoine Goudesune plays the Beatles
- 4 to 5 p.m.
Locks of Love: Leaders' heads shaved
- 5 to 6 p.m.
Blues-Rock-Karma
- 6 to 7 p.m.
The Ramblers
- 7 to 8 p.m.
Task Force XI
- 8 to 9 p.m.
Task Force XI
- 9 to 9:30 p.m.
SHAPE Fest
Fireworks
- 9:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.
"Battle Of The DJs"
Dueling DJs
David G. and Daddy 'K'

This listing of events in the Main Tent doesn't imply endorsement by the Army.

If you're interested in SHAPE Fest merchandise, stop by the Arts and Crafts Centre (in Building 307 near Library) now and take a look at the commemorative T-shirt and mug.

SHAPE news briefs

Library closed for SHAPE Fest Saturday

SHAPE International Library will be closed Saturday for SHAPE Fest but will be located near the SHAPE fest tent at Booth B17, giving away books and balloons.

Chièvres Library will be open regular Saturday hours from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

AFCU branch closes early for SHAPE Fest

Andrews Federal Credit Union on Chièvres Air Base will close early Saturday, Sept. 6, for SHAPE Fest. It will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. During this time, members may utilize ATMs (located in the branch vestibule and the SHAPE post office), mobile banking, online banking, phone banking, or the night drop (only checks, no cash).

The Brussels and Schinnen branches won't be affected by this closure and will be open or closed according to their usual schedules.

Use gas-card window during RIS inventory on SHAPE

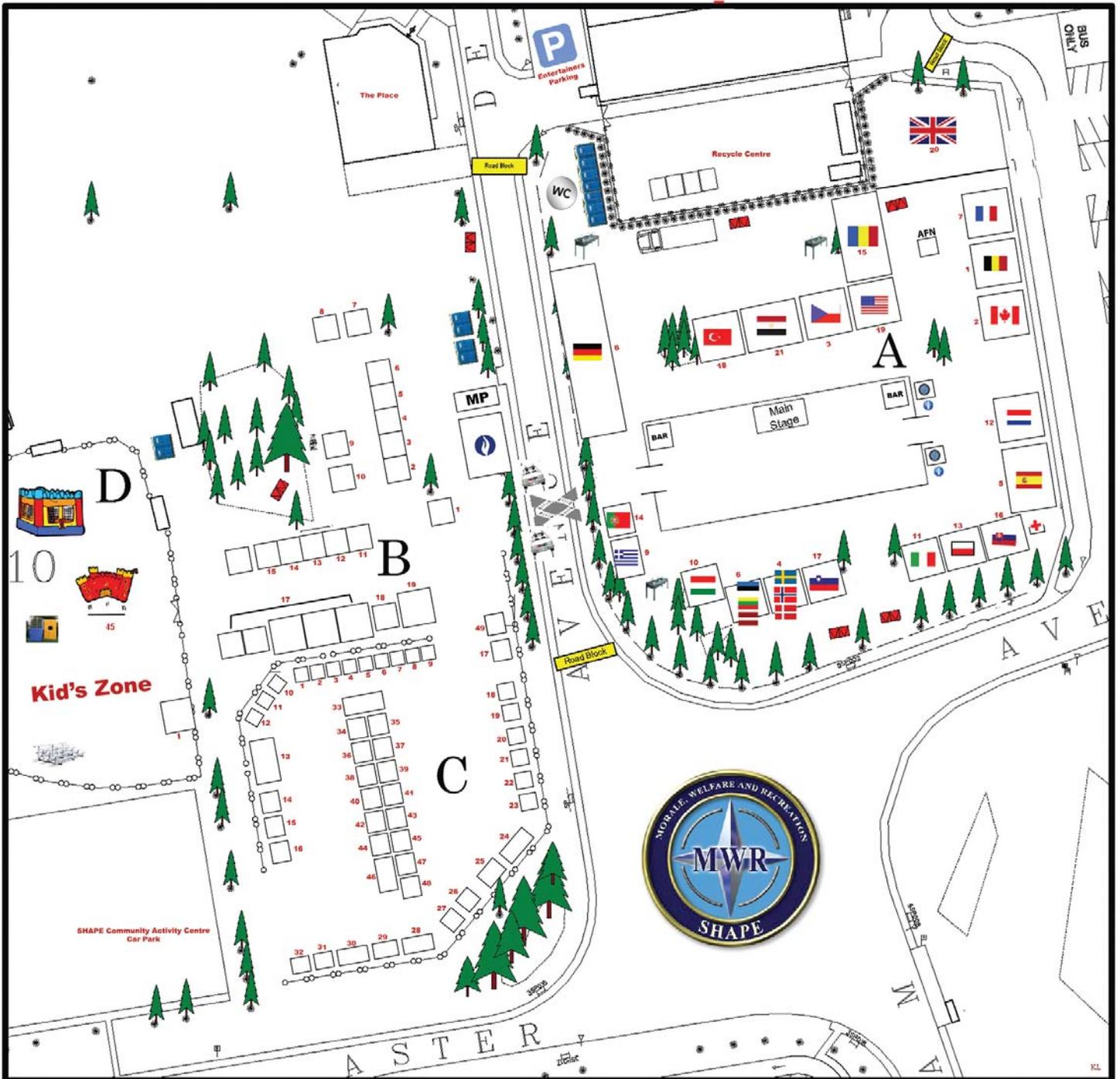
The Rationed Items Store will be closed for quarterly inventory Oct. 6 and 7.

In order to accommodate RIS customers those days, the Petrol Office window on the second floor of the SHAPE Headquarters building, (where eligible patrons may buy gasoline cards Mondays when the RIS is closed) will be open its normal Monday hours both days (from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 1:30 to 3 p.m.).

Performing Arts Centre subscription season begins

This season, SHAPE Players present four plays, two of which are musicals. The plays are adult comedy "Detachments" (R), "Seussical the Musical," "You Can't Take It With You" and "Little Shop Of Horrors." Season tickets are €48 (full), €27 (student) and €21 (child) each. For more information, call DSN 423-3312 or civilian 065-443312 Tuesday through Friday from 1 to 6 p.m.

16th annual SHAPE Fest will be held Sept. 5 to 6



SHAPE Fest 2014 Map Legend

| ACTIVITY | Location # | Area |
|--|------------|------|
| National Military Representatives | | |
| Belgium | 1 | A |
| Canada | 2 | A |
| Czech Republic | 3 | A |
| Denmark, Norway, Sweden | 4 | A |
| Spain | 5 | A |
| Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania | 6 | A |
| France | 7 | A |
| Germany | 8 | A |
| Greece | 9 | A |
| Hungary | 10 | A |
| Italy | 11 | A |
| Netherlands | 12 | A |
| Poland | 13 | A |
| Portugal | 14 | A |
| Romania | 15 | A |
| Slovakia | 16 | A |
| Slovenia | 17 | A |
| Turkey | 18 | A |
| United States | 19 | A |
| United Kingdom | 20 | A |
| Egypt | 21 | A |
| Morale Welfare & Recreation Activities | | |
| Arts & Crafts / Trips & Tours | 17 | B |
| SHAPE International Library | 17 | B |
| SHAPE Club | Fest Tent | A |
| MWR Ops / Lost & Found | Fest Tent | A |
| Kid's Zone | 45 | D |
| Other Activities | | |
| U.S. NAVY | 1 | B |
| PWOC | 2 | B |
| Intl. Baptist Church Jurbise | 3 | B |
| International Chapel Centre | 4 | B |
| Share - A - Meal | 5 | B |
| SHAPE Chapel Contemp Worship Service | 6 | B |
| SHAPE International Cycling Club (SICC) | 7 | B |
| SHAPE Golf Association | 8 | B |
| Boy Scouts | 9 | B |
| SHAPE Girl Scouts | 10 | B |
| TOP III (Locks of Love) | 11 | B |
| Alpha Gamma Xi | 12 | B |
| SHAPE Travel Group | 13 | B |
| Benelux Education Center | 14 | B |
| IN-LEASE | 16 | B |
| British Royal Air Force Association | 18 | B |
| KINGZ | 19 | B |
| PMO / SES / Federal Police / Fire Dept. | Entrance | B |
| Crafter & Vendor Area | | |
| Marble Museum | 1 | C |
| Plugstreet | 2 | C |
| Grand Hornu | 3 | C |
| Château de Chimay | 4 | C |
| Château de Seneffe | 5 | C |
| Parc de Canaux et Bateaux & Boat Lifts | 6 | C |
| Bois du Cazier & Mariemont Museum & Tram Museum | 7 | C |
| Bed & Breakfast Au Fil des Saisons (Mme. Colson) | 8 | C |
| Big B Entertainment (Brian Lee) BBQ Sandwiches | 9 | C |
| Hotel Ibis/Mercure | 10 | C |
| Andrews | 11 | C |
| TEMPORA | 12 | C |
| American Beers | 13 | C |
| Chouchou Evenement (Caramelized peanuts) | 14 | C |
| Metz-Bleger (Wine) | 15 | C |
| La Frasnioise (Artisanal Beer) | 16 | C |
| La Pampa (Argentinian Food / Resto) | 17 | C |
| Oenoptimo (French Wines) | 18 | C |
| Sweetcake (Cakes, cupcakes, etc.) | 19 | C |
| L'Aubeole d'Estinnes (Artisanal Beer) | 20 | C |
| Domaine Reiff (Fruit artisanal juice wines: apple/cherries/strawberrys) | 21 | C |
| Fab Greece (Gourmet Greek products) | 22 | C |
| Millz (Artisanal Liqueur) | 23 | C |
| 424th ABS (Cakes) | 24 | C |
| Chevlait (Artisanal cheese products) | 25 | C |
| Chevalier Loliro (Gascogne products: wine appetizers/armagnac/jam/foie gras) | 26 | C |
| Les Secrets de Miel de Beatrice (Honey products) | 27 | C |
| Chocoloup (Chocolates) | 28 | C |
| Traditions Wallonie | 29 | C |
| JOE-SI (Fries, soft drinks) | 30 | C |
| Lenoir Nutts Original (Liqueur & Coctails) | 31 | C |
| Jean-Marc Selvon (Wooden Plates) | 32 | C |
| ING | 33 | C |
| Patricia Couton (Oil paintings & Magnets) | 34 | C |
| Terre d'Escales (Fashion Creations) | 35 | C |
| Gigi Grenouille (Gifts Various) | 36 | C |
| Carolina Pazos (Jewellery) | 37 | C |
| Switch By SH (Decorative metal objects) | 38 | C |
| MU Marqueterie Chantournage (Wooden Objects) | 39 | C |
| Cabotine (Jewellery) | 40 | C |
| In Style - Justin'In Jewells (Jewellery) | 41 | C |
| Bear Clan Cookies - White Elephant Confections (Homemade cookies, cakes) | 42 | C |
| Ateliers Seyna (Artisanal Lights) | 43 | C |
| La Cabosse (Artisanal Chocolates, Ice Creams) | 44 | C |
| Les Pates de Fruits (Artisanal Candies) | 45 | C |
| Les Ateliers de Dame Jo (Paper Crafts) | 46 | C |
| Smiley Frozen Yogourt (Frozen Yogourt) | 47 | C |
| Alain Poli (Artisanal Liquor) | 48 | C |
| Beatles Day | 49 | C |

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Chièvres plans 9/11 with walk/run

A 9.11-kilometer race/walk will be part of a Sept. 11, 2001, remembrance, hosted by the 424th Air Base Squadron, at Hangar 1 on Chièvres Air Base Sept. 13 at 9 a.m. The race is open to all green-ID card holders.

There will be some words and a moment of silence followed by the race, which will go down the runway and finish back at Hangar 1. Free water will be available, and food and other beverages will be on sale at Hangar 1. Parking will be marked near Hangar 1.

Sign-up sheets will be at the SHAPE and Chièvres gyms. Strollers are welcome, but no bicycles.

A total of 2,977 people were killed in New York City; Washington, D.C.; and outside of Shanksville, Penn., in the worst terrorist attack in American history, according to cnn.com.

Air Force Lt. Col. Chris M. Kuester, the commander of 424th ABS, stressed the international makeup of 9/11 victims.

Of those 2,977 victims, 372 were non-American victims from 62 nations, he said.

Schinnen observes 9/11 with 5K

The 9/11 Memorial 5K Run/Walk departs Thursday, Sept. 11, from the Schinnen Fitness Center at 9 a.m., but be there at 8:30 a.m. for this free event. Water and refreshments will be available on this nature route.

Brussels post office has job opening

If you or anyone you know may be interested in working at the USAG Benelux-Brussels APO as a postal operations assistant, job-seekers may apply online at <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/379533700>. Closing date is Sept. 10.

ACS offers job-skills classes

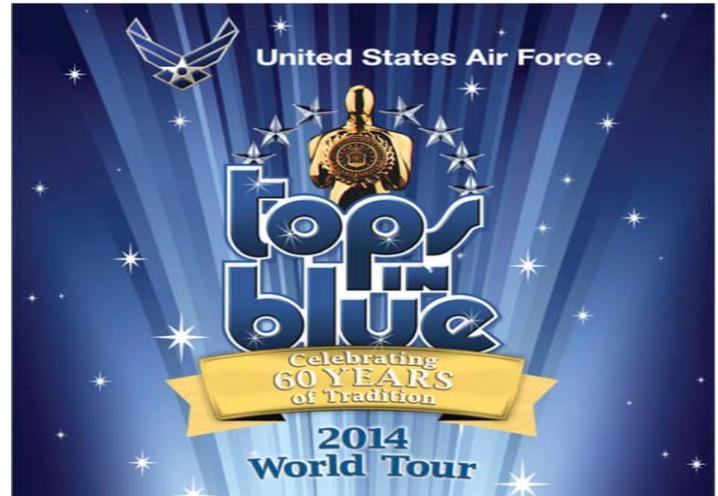
Brussels Army Community Service's Employment Readiness Program sponsors résumé-writing workshops in the ACS Conference Room in Building 4 Sept. 18 and Nov. 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Interviewing/Dress for Success Workshop will be held Oct. 16 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Registration is required. Call ACS at DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824.

Schinnen employment/education

Bring your résumé to the Schinnen Tri-Border Community's Employment, Education and College Fair at the JFC Conference Center Sept. 26 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Open to U.S. ID card holders. For more information, call DSN 360-7500/7269 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437500/7269, or DSN 458-6015 or civilian +31 (0) 49 (0) 2451-633791.

Sign up for College Night trip to K-town

Catch a ride with SHAPE Youth Center to College Night in Kaiserslautern Oct. 2. The bus departs at noon and returns at midnight. Open to all registered youth in grades 11 and 12. Limited space available. Cost: \$10. For more details, call DSN 423-6104 or civilian 065-446104. To register, call Parent Central at DSN 423-6039 or civilian 065-446039, or stop by Building 503.



USAF Tops in Blue holds concert

Listen to the Air Force's Tops in Blue at a free concert at SHAPE Cinema (Alliance Theatre) Sept. 19 at 5 p.m. Tickets are going fast so pick up your free tickets from Morale and Welfare, or MW, Operations in the SHAPE Performing Arts Centre (Building 207) across the parking lot from Finance. For more information, contact DSN 423-4269 or civilian 065-444269.

The 2014 tour is a celebration of the 60th Anniversary of Tops in Blue commemorating the past 60 years by looking forward to a bright future of "Family Entertaining Family." This year's tour features patriotic music and the sounds of Bruno Mars, Pharrell Williams, Daft Punk, Pink and others. It also showcases great country music of artists like Blake Shelton, Dierks Bentley, Lady Antebellum and the Pistol Annies.

Brussels Fall Bazaar/Info Fair

New to Brussels? Or an old-timer curious about what's new in town? Come to the Brussels American Community Fall Bazaar and Info Fair at the Brussels American School in the Youth Center Gym and Community Gym Sept. 18 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The U.S. Tri-Mission Brussels and the U.S. Army Garrison Benelux-Brussels are once again collaborating to host this event.

Various clubs, associations and organizations will be present to provide you with information on their activities. There will be a bazaar with "Best of Belgium" items for sale. Vendors will have cheese, beer, chocolate and organic food for tasting, and other popular items for sale.

If you would like to attend, provide the Community Liaison Office (CLOBrussels@state.gov) with the following information for each person attending:

- Last name, first name
- Date of birth
- Nationality
- American passport number or Belgian national ID number or passport number/country for third-country nationals.

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Guidance on Ice Bucket Challenge

Soldiers and government employees have limits on what acts they may participate in if it gives the impression of government endorsement. In simple terms, as a Soldier, you are not able to endorse any fund-raising challenges in your military uniform but are freely able to do so off-duty and in civilian attire. If you have any questions or concerns, discuss them with your chain of command.

Market Garden tour planned

This Market Garden battlefield tour, set for Sept. 26 from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., is open to all service members and Department of Defense civilians. Only 17 slots are open so they are being offered on a "first come, first served" basis. Child-care won't be provided. Lunch will be provided by the JFC Chapel. For more information, call DSN 364-2804.

Self-defense classes offered

Learn self-defense moves during these classes at Brunssum Gym for women and for children. Women's self-defense is offered Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7 to 8 a.m. and, just added, Tuesdays and Thursdays from noon to 1 p.m. Cost: €5 per session.

Children's person-safety classes are offered Wednesdays for 3- to 5-year-olds from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. and for 6- to 18-year-olds from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. They are also offered Saturdays for 3- to 5-year-olds from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. and for 6- to 18-year-olds from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. Cost: €50 per month.

Contact jujitsuamericas@gmail.com or visit <http://www.facebook.com/jujitsuamericas>.

Fitness event offers cross-training

Get fit/stay fit with Fit-a-mania at the Schinnen Fitness Center Sept. 13 at 10 a.m.: zumba, a 3-km run and circuit training. Call DSN 360-7561 or civilian +31 (0) 46-443 7561.

Sign up for women's bowling league at Schinnen

This new women's bowling league meets Thursday nights from 6:30 to 9 p.m. and runs from Oct. 9 to April 16. Open to U.S. and NATO ID card holders and their guests. Registration runs from Sept. 15 to Oct. 2 at the Schinnen Bowling Center. Cost: \$10 per person per night. To find out more, call DSN 360-7207 or +31 (0) 46-4437207.

Calling all teen artists

The SHAPE Youth Center is creating a graffiti wall and wants to showcase teen art. Submit a drawing of what you want to paint on the wall to the Youth Center, Building 503 next to the Pizza Bowl, by Sept. 12. Painting begins Sept. 26.

UTAP changes hours

The Utility Tax Avoidance Program, or UTAP, at Schinnen changed its hours to Tuesday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m. Services are limited to UTAP electricity and gas registration, final billing, connection and bill questions. Call DSN 360-7502 or civilian +31 (0) 464-437502 for an appointment.



Plain White T's band plays BAS gym

Navy Entertainment and Armed Forces Entertainment present: Plain White T's at a free concert in the Brussels American High School gymnasium-Sterrebeek Annex Sept. 13 from 6 to 10 p.m.

Doors open at 6 o'clock. Showtime is at 7. Open to U.S. ID cardholders (to include U.S. Embassy ID) or others with regular access, their dependents, and signed-on guests.

As high-school friends, the members of this American pop punk band from Villa Park, Ill., formed Plain White T's in 1997.

The band is best known for the No. 1 hit song "Hey There, Delilah," which achieved platinum status in 2007 and earned two Grammy nominations. However, the band is also popular for two other platinum songs — "1, 2, 3, 4" and "Rhythm of Love" — which were certified platinum in 2009 and 2011, respectively.

For more information, call DSN 368-9680 or civilian 02-7179680.

Language classes start soon

JFC Brunssum Language Program offers language classes Sept. 8 to Dec. 5 (12-week course) in Dutch 1 and 2, French 1 and 2, German 1 and 2, Spanish 1 and 2, and Italian 1 and 2, as well as elementary, pre-intermediate and intermediate English. Register at the Schinnen Library Sept. 2 to 4. Contact jfclanguageprogram@yahoo.com.

Brussels Shoppette changes hours

The Brussels Shoppette changed its operating hours Sept. 2 from weekdays from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. to weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. in response to the closure of the Food Court, which was open at 8:30 a.m.

The garrison will oversee the "Food Court" dining area, and it will be open to the community weekdays during the day for use. The garrison doesn't have a cleaning plan in place yet; therefore, leaders ask patrons to clean up after themselves. The facility will be monitored and spot-cleaned as needed.

AAFES has installed new equipment and expanded the Shoppette's AAFES Snack Avenue, which is now operational. The expanded Snack Avenue offers breakfast and lunch items, such as "tornadoes," sandwiches and bakery items.



Read about events near Chièvres, SHAPE and Brussels.

Sept. 5 to 7

- **Comic Strip Festival in Brussels** - Markets, tours, parade and many spots to see your favorite heroes. Find more information about the festival and the complete program at http://visitbrussels.be/bitc/BE_en/comics-festival.do.



- **Belgian Beer weekend in Brussels** - Throughout the weekend, several small, medium-sized and large Belgian breweries will offer you a wide range of their products allowing you to discover the different kinds of beer that represent the reputation of Belgium. Admission is free. To pay for your beer, you need to buy the special BBW-crowncorks (1 EUR/crowncork) sold at the cash desks on or around the Grand'Place, as well as a 3 euro deposit chip for the beer glass. Find more information at <http://www.belgianbrewers.be/en/events/belgian-beer-weekend-171/>.

Sept. 6

- **Classical Music Festival in Beloeil** - The Chateau of Beloeil hosts the biggest Belgian classical music event. About 15,000 people stroll around the park to enjoy the performances of the artists on the numerous stages of this huge music festival. Find more information at <http://www.lesmusicalesdebeloeil.be/>.



Sept. 6 to 7

- **Medieval fair in Soignies** at the Château du Saulchoy on Chemin du Cornet 70 - More than 150 re-enactors will revive the old medieval days with cannons, catapults, knights, minstrels, merchants, craftsmen, blacksmith, fire-eaters, etc. Admission is €5, free under 12 years of age. People wearing costumes pay reduced admission fee. Open Saturday from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **International hunt, nature day and historical parade in St Hubert** - Enjoy hunting-horn bands, blessing of the animals, folklore groups and a parade evoking the life of St. Hubert. Find more information at <http://www.saint-hubert-tourisme.be/>.
- **Carillon concert in Soignies** - at the Collegiate Church of St. Vincent at 4 p.m. Admission price is €1.



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

Through Sept. 5

- **Cheese market in Alkmaar**, north of Amsterdam, is famous worldwide for its traditional cheese market, in existence since 1593. Watch four cheese guilds interact with bidders who try to negotiate the best deal. The Waagplein buzzes with activity and traditional costumes from 10 a.m. to about noon on just 22 Fridays a year. After watching the flurry of activity, stroll through the town to buy your own cheese to take home.

Through Sept. 7

- **Cultura Nova Festival in Heerlen** is an international festival at Zeswegenlaan 278 filled with theater, music, film, dance and art. Open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- **Culinary Festival in Lippstadt, Germany**, is held in the historic town center where many restaurants invite the visitors to taste their culinary delights.

Sept. 5 to 7

- **Experience Country Life Fair in Arnhem** is held at the Dutch Open Air Museum on Schelmseweg 89 and has many activities, food tastings and demonstrations. Open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: €16; children €11.
- **German Cheese Market in Nieheim, Germany**, held in the town center, offers more than 500 varieties of cheese from Europe.
- **World Harbor Days Festivities in Rotterdam** is a large, annual event to familiarize visitors with the port and to create a positive attitude toward the port and its surrounding maritime city. The program includes shows, demonstrations, excursions and more.
- **City Festival in Unna, Germany**, held in the town center, offers something for all ages. It has a historic arts-and-crafts market; live music on several stages throughout the center; and more. The festival starts Friday at 5 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday at 11 a.m.

Sept. 6

- **Art and Antique Market in Haarlem** is held at Op de Dreef in the 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.
- **Day of the Horse in Oud-Heverlee, Belgium**, is a family market with demonstrations and shows held at Oud-Heverlee Riding School on Waversebaan 99 from 1 to 9 p.m. Admission: €6.

Sept. 6, 13, 20, 27

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



Sept. 7

- **Volksmarch in Bauffe** for 5, 10 and 20 km. Departs from Rue Delmotte 2 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Herinnes** for 4, 7, 13, 18, 24, 30 and 36 km. Departs from Chaussée d'Audenarde from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Mark your calendar



Sept. 13 to 14

- **Heritage Days** offer you the unique opportunity to discover many monuments and other cultural locations and admire these places that are often overlooked. Check out next issue for more information or go to <http://www.journeesdupatrimoine.be>, <http://www.journeesdupatrimoinebruxelles.be>, <http://www.openmonumenten.be/english>.

Trenches to Foxholes

Sept. 5 to 7

- **Tanks in Town in Mons** - For more details, see page 7.
- Through Sept. 14 (except Aug. 23)**
- **Visit the World War I battlefield in the Mons area**, which includes Nimy, Obourg and St-Symphorien. The tour is aboard a double-decker. Departs from the Mons main square Saturdays and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tour takes three hours. Cost: Adults €18; children €12.

Oct. 3 to 5

- **Illuminate the past, Dream the future in Antwerp** - Belgian and Dutch armies will build a temporary floating bridge on the Scheldt, which will be the stage for various music and dance shows in the coming months. Visitors will be able to cross Oct. 3 through 5. Access to the bridge is from Steenplein (Stone Square) on the right bank. Once across to the left bank, you can enjoy a number of cultural activities. For bridge-crossing times and to buy tickets go to <http://www.antwerpen14-18.be>. Price for the bridge crossing is €5 per person. Shows on the bridge are free.

Through Nov. 11

- **Exhibition "Nimy on the eve of the Great War"** - On Aug. 23, 1914, close to the bridge-rail, fierce fighting between the 4th Battalion, Royal Fusiliers, of the British Forces and the German 84th Infantry Regiment took place in Nimy. Learn more about the fighting at the exhibition on Rue Mouzin 31. The museum is open Saturdays and Sundays from 2 to 6 p.m. Admission: adults €2.50; children under 12 years old free. During the week, groups of a minimum of five people may arrange to visit the museum.



Sept. 7

- **Rural Festival in Altweeterheide/Weert** is held at Heltenbosdijk 10, where you'll find old crafts, old machines, animals, history and entertainment. Open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission: €4; children €1.50.
- **Petit Paris 2014 in Eys-Wittem** is an antiques-flea-art market held in the village from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Taste of Limburg Festival in Maastricht** is the largest of its kind in Limburg province. Held in the courtyard of Castle Vaeshartelt, it offers regional products, music, entertainment, activities and more. Open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Antique and Flea Market in Maastricht** is annual and large. It's held at Alexander Battalaan and Stationsstraat in the city center from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Petsotic in Roeselaere, Belgium**, held in Fabriekspand, Veldstraat 59, is an animal event filled with dogs, cats, reptiles, birds and more. Open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: €5.
- **Farmers Market in Soest, Germany**, is an annual market with lots of music, culinary highlights and culture, held in the old and historic center around the cathedral and Market Square.
- **Art and Crafts Market in Tremelo, Belgium**, is an open-air event at Damiaanplein in the town center with demonstrations, regional products, music, and lots of art from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Sept. 7 to 8

- **Flower Parade in Zundert** has been turning the town upside down since 1936. Around 20 participants build the best floats they can, using only dahlias. There are also all kinds of music and theater performances, and the local bars and restaurants join in with special offers and activities.

Sept. 7 to 9

- **Flower Parade Lichtenvoorde in Lichtenvoorde** is a floral show resulting from months of work by the designers of the huge parade floats. This culminates in a three-day celebration that attracts tens of thousands of visitors. Besides the flower parade and the corresponding presentation of the prize for the most creative design, Lichtenvoorde has a fun fair, an open-air market and entertainment. The three-day festival concludes Tuesday evening with an impressive fireworks display.

Sept. 7 to 10, 17 to 20

- **French Gourmet Market in Bochum, Germany**, is held at Dr. Ruer Platz with specialties from all over France: such as olives from Provence; pastries from Brittany; cheese, paté and more to tempt the palate.

SHAPE Trips & Tours

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

Belgian Beer/Gin Tour, Sept. 13 – Join the group for a “True Taste of Belgium ... A Brewery and Distillery Adventure.” Discover for yourself why Belgium is known for creating some of the best beers in the world. The



day begins at Caracole Brewery where you will go on a tour and see firsthand how their brews are carefully crafted. Then, tempt your taste buds with a sample from one of the many fine distilleries that are only available in Europe. Next stop is Distillerie de Biercée, where the group will engage in a gin tasting and lunch (included) tomato cream soup, bruschetta with “poteaupre,” Koniginnehapjes (queen's snacks - chicken in puff pastry) with fries, tiramisu and coffee. The group’s final destination is the famous Abbaye du Val Dieu Brewery where you will learn about and sample its brews. Invite your friends and come along for this Belgian Beer and Gin Experience. Space is limited to 40 people so make your reservation today. Departs from Brussels at 7:45 a.m. and from SHAPE at 9 a.m. Returns to SHAPE at 8:30 p.m. and to Brussels at 9:30 p.m. Cost: €72 per adult.

Schinnen Trips and Tours

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

Get Outdoors Day, Sept. 14 – Paddle through a nature reserve – where only canoes and rafts are permitted – along the Maas River. Disembark to friendly taverns on the Belgium side where the group can relax and later take bikes for the return to the starting point. Bus departs from Schinnen at 10 a.m. and returns at 2 p.m. Cost is \$35 for transportation, the canoe/raft and bicycle.

SHAPE Travel Group

For information on the trip below
call civilian 0486-565371.

Castles, Sept. 26 - Spend the day in the scenic Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. The morning begins with a drive through the Valley of the Seven Châteaux, stopping for an English-guided tour at the newly renovated Ansembourg castle and gardens. The group continues through the valley and heads north to the picturesque town of Vianden. Spend the afternoon/evening at your leisure with an English-guided tour of the castle at 4 p.m. Trip price includes transportation, admission and tours of both castles. Don’t forget your camera. Cost: €60.



SHAPE Trips & Tours

- **Amsterdam, Oct. 4**
- **London, Oct. 11**
- **Paris in the Fall, Oct. 18**
- **Peru, Oct. 24 to Nov. 3**
- **Disney Festival Halloween, Oct. 31**
- **Flanders Field, Nov. 9**
- **Trier/Zweibrücken Outlet, Nov. 22**
- **Brugge Snow On Ice, Nov. 29**



- **London, Dec. 6 to 7**
- **Christmas Market Overnight- Nürnberg, Rothenburg and Cologne, Dec. 13 to 14**
- **Paris in Winter: Paris Day Trip, Dec. 27**
- **Tenerife, Spain, New Year's Eve Gala, Dec. 27 to Jan. 7, 2015: Sign up by Oct. 1.**
- **Buy discounted tickets to: AquaGolf, Aqualibi, Bastogne War Museum, Bois De Luc, Castle of Seneffe, Château Chimay, Crocodile Rouge, 14-18 Expo, Lasergames, Le Bois du Cazier, Lobbe-Thuin Tram Museum and more.**

Schinnen Trips & Tours

- **Miami Dolphins vs. Oakland Raiders in London, Sept. 27 to 29**
- **Day Trip to the De Bazaar, Oct. 12**
- **Cowboys vs. Jaguars in London, Nov. 8 to 10**

SHAPE Travel Group

- **Wine Tour by the Mosel River, Sept. 30**
- **A Day in Rotterdam, Oct. 7**
- **Best of Belgium, Oct. 14**
- **Amsterdam, Oct. 21**
- **Canterbury, Nov. 5**
- **Bastogne War Museum and Brewery of Gnomes, Nov. 20**
- **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

Register now

- **SAC "Poe" Drama Club** - Join the CYSS School Age Center "Poe" Drama Club Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. to rehearse for the production of Edgar Allan Poe's "The Tell-Tale Heart" along with other works by the famous macabre American author. Hourly care club members are welcome. For details, call Parent Central Services DSN 368-9651 or civilian 02-7179651.

Sept. 10 and 17; Sept. 11 and 18

- **Stress Reduction I and II** - Strengthen your coping skills at these stress-management seminars at Brussels Army Community Service Conference Room in USAG Benelux-Brussels' Building 4 Wednesdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Thursdays from 5 to 6:30 p.m. To register, call DSN 368-9783 or civilian 02-7179783.

Sept. 11

- **Finance workshops** - Build your financial future with the tools you'll learn to use at personal-finance workshops offered Thursdays at Brussels Army Community Service. Contact Brussels ACS to register or call DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824 for more information on:
 - "Preparing to Fund Your Kid's College" from 1 to 2 p.m.
 - "Be Financially Prepared for Your PCS (Plan Ahead)" from 2:10 to 2:50 p.m.

SCHINNEN/BRUNSSUM COMMUNITY

Register now

- **Fashion exhibit** -Join the American Club of Brussels Sunday, Sept. 14, for a guided tour of the exhibition Glamour '30s Fashion. Squeezed between the 1929 stock-market crash and the start of the Second World War, 1930s fashion is often neglected. After the Roaring Twenties and the flappers who gave themselves up to every extravagance, women returned to more discretion and unostentatious luxury. Register by Sept. 10. Find out more at <http://www.americanclubbrussels.org/>.

Sept. 5

- **Lunch and Learn: Nurturing Children** - This Family Advocacy/Victim Advocate brown-bag gathering meets at the JFC Brunssum Library from noon to 1 p.m.

Sept. 9

- **Budgeting for the Holidays** - 'Tis the season to spend money. The winter holiday season is fast approaching. Holiday shopping doesn't have to break the bank. Join the class for budgeting tips from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the ACS Conference Room to learn how to keep your holiday spending under control. For more information or to register, contact ACS at DSN 360-7450/7500 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437450/7500.

SHAPE/CHIEVRES COMMUNITY

Get tickets now

- **USAF Tops in Blue holds free concert** - SHAPE Cinema (Alliance Theatre) is the venue for this free event Sept. 19 at 5 p.m. Free tickets are available. For more information, contact DSN 423-4269 or civilian 065-444269.

Register now

- **Registration open for Fall Theater Camp** - Children can join the SHAPE Players at the SHAPE Performing Arts Centre through Fall Theater Camp, which will culminate "Seussical, the Musical." Camp starts Sept. 8. Call DSN 423-3312 or civilian 065-443312 Tuesday through Friday from 1 to 6 p.m.

Sept. 5 to 6

- **SHAPE Fest** - Have fun at this international community gathering. (For details, see pages 9 to 11.)

Movies 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.aspx> for the movie schedule.

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). 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. Take a look at movie listings at <http://kinopolis.be/fr/cinemas/kinopolis-bruxelles>.

Movie 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> for the movie schedule.