

THE GAZETTE

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Benelux news briefs

Gate closure on SHAPE

Luxembourg Gate on SHAPE will be closed through Aug. 17. The main gate and Ottawa Gate are open. Luxembourg Gate will reopen Aug. 18 at 7:30 a.m.

IACS changes hours

To better serve its customers, the USAG Benelux Installation Access Control Office on Chièvres Air Base will change its operating hours.

Starting Aug. 11, the IACS office will be open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4:30 p.m.

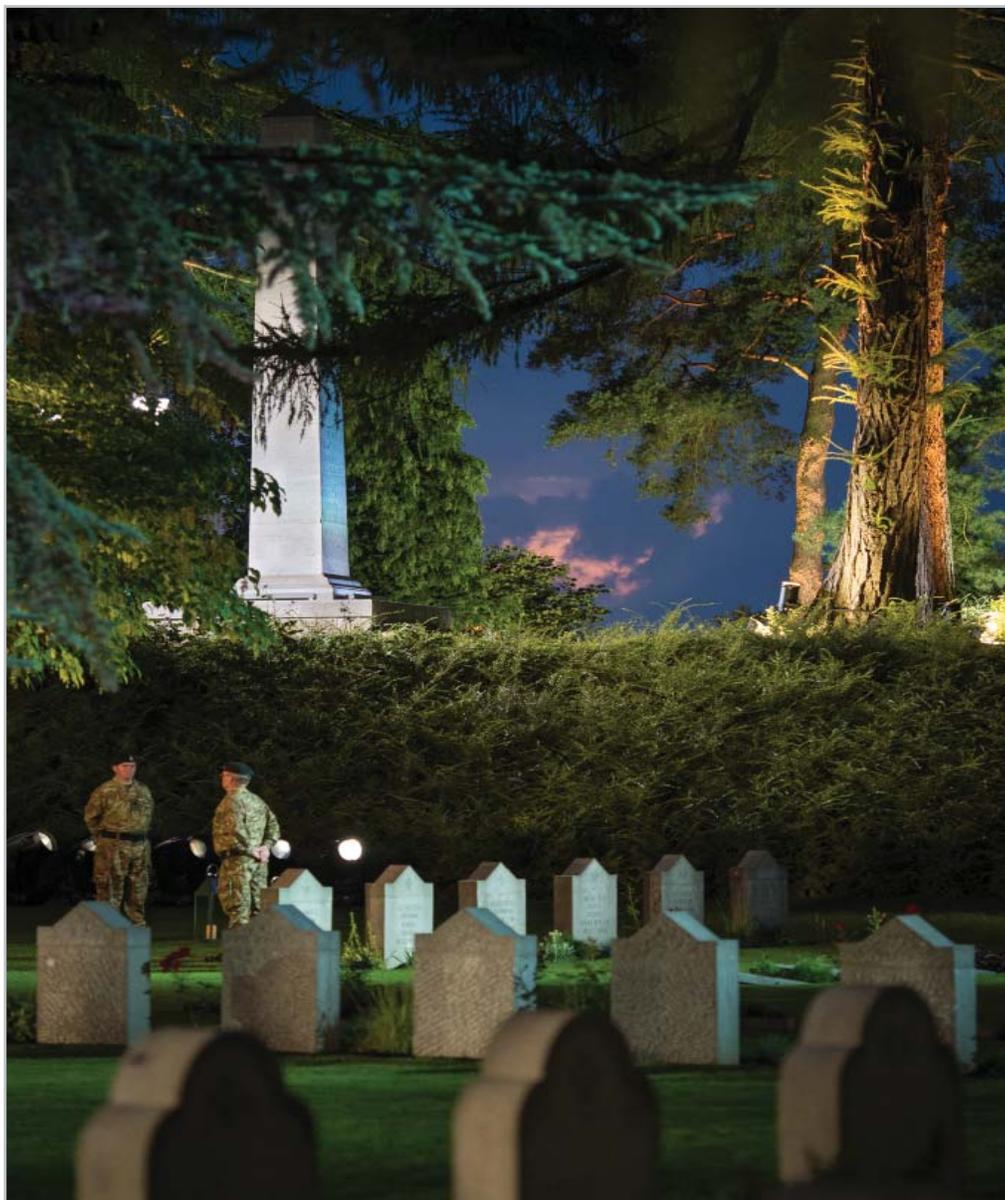
AFCU closes for Org Day

Andrews Federal Credit Union on Chièvres Air Base will be closed Saturday, Aug. 16, for an organization day.

For account assistance, consider using automated teller machines on SHAPE and Chièvres, online banking, phone banking and mobile banking as well as a night drop for non-cash deposits only.

Alterations Shop closes

The Chièvres Alterations Shop at the PXtra will close its doors Aug. 14. Army and Air Force Exchange Service, or AAFES, is seeking a replacement.



WWI centenary at local cemetery recalls bravery, sacrifice

British service members stand among the graves of fallen Soldiers in the shadow of the obelisk during the Aug. 4 World War I centenary commemoration at St. Symphorien military cemetery near Mons. In this cemetery rest 229 Commonwealth service members and 284 German Soldiers, most of whom died during the Battle of Mons in August 1914. Among them are John Parr and George Lawrence Price, believed to be the first and the last Commonwealth Soldiers killed in action during WWI. It is also the site of the grave of the first Iron Cross recipient of WWI. (Photo by Edouard Bocquet)

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Blues, Reds battle in final playoff game



Clavon Wooldridge from 650th Military Intelligence Group jumps over the fence to try to catch a home run.

Air Force Master Sgt. Justin Laurie leads the SHAPE Air Force Element Blue team as the Blues gain an unstoppable momentum during the USAG Benelux 2014 Intramural Softball Championship Tournament played on SHAPE Softball Field 8 recently.



Army Sgt. 1st Class Dewayne Orender from 39th Signal is at bat during the softball playoffs.

by **Charles P. Foote**
SHAPE Sports and Fitness

The teams that squared off in the last game of the USAG Benelux 2014 Intramural Softball Championship Tournament were both Air Force teams: the 424th Air Base Squadron Red Devils coached by Tech. Sgt. Brian Haskell and Staff Sgt. Justin Monty, and the SHAPE Air Force Element Blue team led by Master Sgt. Justin Laurie.

Amateur Softball Association (ASA) officials included Mickey Mourning, Dotty Thompson and Sgt. Maj. Emanuel Carter as well as Danny White and Matthew Gillard, who both traveled from Stuttgart, Germany, to help the Benelux teams.

Air Force Master Sgt. Justin Laurie hits the ball under the watchful eyes of Umpire Matthew Gillard and 424th ABS catcher Staff Sgt. Ryan Shimek. (Photos by Salvador Rodriguez)

The Devils entered the weeklong championship as the third-ranked team and moved through the brackets to meet with the first-ranked Blues July 25 on SHAPE Softball Field 8.

The Devils played well, but ultimately they couldn't stop the early momentum gained by the Blues. The game went to the Blues, who scored 8 runs over the Devils' 6.

Because of missions and other unit requirements, 424th ABS and AFELM weren't able to play in the IMCOM-E Unit-Level Softball Championships Aug 1 to 3 in Grafenwoehr, Germany. The 21st Theater Sustainment Command team (Kaiserslautern) won.



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Open house welcomes parents, students to new SHAPE schools

by **Andrea Wales**

USAG Benelux Public Affairs Office

On the first day of school, things can look unfamiliar, even if you're a returning student, but this experience will be intensified for the students and staff of the SHAPE American Elementary School and Middle School. The first day of school, Aug. 18, will begin in new school buildings, which have been under construction since 2012.

Parents and students of the SHAPE International School community are being offered an opportunity to get a preview of the new facilities at an open house of the schools, which are sections of the SHAPE International School, Aug. 15 from 2 to 4 p.m.

The Navy Element will be cooking food so families can grab something to eat and socialize, said the new principal of SHAPE American Middle School, Dr. Mario Vanheuckelom.

The goals of the open house are "to answer any questions and to familiarize the parents and students with the lay of the land of both the elementary and middle schools," Vanheuckelom said. "Parents and students will have the opportunity to take a look at the facilities, find out where the classrooms are and get together with old and new friends."

Vanheuckelom came to the middle school from SHAPE American Elementary School where he was principal. Dr. Bernadette Schlueter, who just arrived



Near completion July 17, the SHAPE American Elementary School and Middle School project broke ground in 2012 under U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Europe District construction management. It is funded by Department of Defense Education Activity Europe. (U.S. Army photo by USACE)

from Guam, is the new principal of the elementary school.

Located around the corner from the SHAPE Alliance Movie Theater, the new facilities are just the first step in the SHAPE community's modernization of all national school sections operating at the SHAPE International School. The modernization is expected to continue through 2019.

When school starts, parents should

drop children off and pick them up at the SHAPE Chapel lot or the Carrefour shopping center parking lot as well as instruct children to use designated walking paths.

To learn more, call DSN 423-5718 or civilian 065-445718, or the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at DSN 423-3987 or civilian 065-443987.

Paul Jerome of USACE contributed to this report.

Trenches to Foxholes

365th Fighter Group vets speak on Chièvres AB

Airmen, Soldiers, U.S. and host-nation civilians have a chance to listen to veterans of the "Hell Hawks" relate their World War II experiences at Hangar 1 on Chièvres Air Base Aug. 9 at about 2 p.m.

The two "Hell Hawks" veterans — one of whom was stationed in Chièvres in early October 1944 — are part of

a group of 22 people associated with WWII's 365th Fighter Group visiting Chièvres Air Base that day.

To obtain more information about the "Hell Hawks" speaking engagement and their visit to Chièvres Air Base, contact the USAG Benelux Public Affairs Office at DSN 361-5419 or civilian 068-275419.



A pilot sits in his P-47 Thunderbolt on Chièvres Air Base in winter 1944.

Courtesy Photo

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VIPs gather in Mons, Liège to honor WWI dead

Notables greet the people of Mons during the Aug. 4, 2014, commemoration to mark the centenary of the start of the World War I at the Mons town square. From left, the acting mayor of Mons, Nicolas Martin; British dignitaries Prince Henry of Wales, commonly known as Prince Harry; the former Kate Middleton, the Duchess of Cambridge; her husband, Prince William; and Belgian Prime Minister and Mayor of Mons Elio Di Rupo. (Photo by Steve Howarth)



Dignitaries pay their respects at the obelisk during the Aug. 4, 2014, commemoration to mark the centenary of the start of the World War I at St. Symphorien military cemetery near Mons. The cemetery carries particular symbolism as a near equal number of British and Commonwealth Soldiers and German Soldiers are buried here. The event was attended by King Philippe of Belgium and his wife, Queen Mathilde; as well as British dignitaries Prince William and his wife, the former Kate Middleton, the Duchess of Cambridge; Prince Henry of Wales, commonly known as Prince Harry; Prime Minister David Cameron; and a host of other foreign dignitaries. The same day, dignitaries attended a ceremony at Liège where Prince William said the Belgian people's resistance was "as gallant as their suffering was great," according to the BBC. "Former adversaries have worked together for three generations to spread and entrench democracy, prosperity and the rule of law across Europe, and to promote our shared values around the world." (Photo by Edouard Bocquet)

Trenches to Foxholes

Next week in World War history (Aug. 10 to 16)

World War I

1914

Aug. 12 - Great Britain and France declare war on Austria-Hungary. Serbia is invaded by Austria-Hungary.

Aug. 14 - French 1st and 2nd armies attack Alsace and Lorraine.

Aug. 15 - The German right wing continues to advance through Belgium, taking Dinant on the Meuse, and Lanzerac's 5th Army falls back south of the Sambre.

- The government of Japan sends an ultimatum to Germany, demanding the removal of all German ships from Japanese and Chinese waters and the surrender of Tsingtao (the location of Germany's largest overseas naval bases, located on China's Shantung Peninsula) to Japan by noon on August 23

1915

Aug. 10 - Turkish counterattack on Chunuk Bair nearly succeeds.

- Russians pursue Turks on Upper Euphrates and capture important height in valley of Passin.

- German fleet bombards Riga, Latvia, and is again driven off.

- Bucharest refuses to authorize transport of German munitions to Turkey.

- Vilna and Kovno, Russia, are evacuated

1916

Aug. 16 - The French take a system of German trenches near Belloy-en-Santerre, France, as well as 1,300 prisoners.

- British advance west and southwest of Guillemont, France.

1917

Aug. 15 - The Battle of Hill 70 in Lens, France, between the Canadian Corps and the German Sixth Army begins. The objective of the Canadian assault is to inflict casualties and draw German troops away from the 3rd Battle of Ypres. There is extensive use of poison gas by both sides, including the newly introduced German Yellow Cross shell containing the blistering agent. The Canadians prevent German formations from transferring local men and equipment to the Ypres Salient but fail to draw in German troops. The Canadians lost more than 9,000 soldiers at Hill 70, but killed or wounded an estimated 25,000 Germans.

Aug. 16 - British troops capture the village of Langemarck from the Germans during the 3rd Battle of Ypres. a German counterattack recovers much of the ground gained at Langemarck, but British forces retain the initiative in the region, aided by the use of tanks and by a diversionary attack by the French at Verdun, where more than 5,000 German soldiers are taken prisoner.

1918

Aug. 12 - The Battle of Amiens ends.

Aug. 13 - The Allies shoot down 15 German aircraft, but lose 27 of their own.

- The Czech Legion declares war on the Central Powers.

- Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany summons his principal political and military leaders to a crown council at Spa, a resort town in Belgium, to assess the status of the German war effort during World War I.

World War II

1940

Aug. 10 - The Italian Naval Staff issues its first operational order of WWII for a September mission against Alexandria, Egypt, and an October mission against Gibraltar.

1941

Aug. 11 - Vichy France enacts a law to exclude Jewish doctors.

1942

Aug. 12 - Japanese troops march along the Kokoda Track in Australian Papua toward the Australian base at Deniki.

1943

Aug. 10 - Returning from a bombing mission of Nuremberg, Germany, a Royal Air Force Bomber Command Halifax of the 77 Squadron is shot down at 2:15 a.m. 12 km southwest of Mons by Uffz. Kustuch in a Messerschmitt Bf 110G night-fighter of Nachtjagdgeschwader 4. Pilot Peter Hobbs kept control of the flaming aircraft to miss houses in the last few moments before the plane crashed killing all on board. The crewmembers are buried at Chièvres communal cemetery.

Following are the names of the rest of the aircrew.

• Sgt. Eric Pegg Flight. engineer;

• Pilot Officer Jurgis Faliejevas serving as Pilot Officer George Cockayne, navigator;

• Flying Officer Harry Etherington, air bomber;

• Sgt. Eric Howes. wireless operator/air gunner;

• Sgt. Arthur Bryan. air gunner; and

• Sgt. Rodney Rushton. air gunner.

Aug. 11 - German forces begin a six-day evacuation of the Italian island of Sicily, having been beaten back by the Allies, who invaded the island in July. The Germans had maintained a presence in Sicily since the earliest days of the war.

1944

Aug. 14 - British troops launch Operation Tractable towards Falaise, France, preceded by 800 bombers. One hundred and fifty Polish soldiers are killed as the second of three waves of Royal Air Force Lancaster bombers release their bombs too early.

1945

Aug. 10 - In light of the bombing of Hiroshima Aug. 6, Nagasaki Aug. 9, and the Soviet invasion of Manchuria Emperor Hirohito, having rubber-stamped the decisions of his War Council, including the decision to bomb Pearl Harbor, finally feels compelled to do more. The emperor summons and presides over a special meeting of the Council and implores them to accept the terms of the Potsdam Conference. "It seems obvious that the nation is no longer able to wage war, and its ability to defend its own shores is doubtful." The Council had been split over the surrender terms; half the members wanted assurances that the emperor would maintain his hereditary and traditional role in a postwar Japan before surrender could be considered.

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

Summer Reading Program goes on overnight



Ethan Flores, Jack Kuta and Jack Gonyea listen to librarian Lisa Steinacker and Bones the Dog read from the book "Maisy Goes to the Library" by Lucy Cousins during SHAPE International Library's Stuffed Animal Sleepover July 25. After storytime, more than 20 children tucked their plush toys and other cuddly toys in for the night and returned the next morning for muffins and juice. During breakfast, the children received souvenir photos of their stuffed animals doing wacky things, such as dispensing coffee and photocopying teddy-bear backsides. (Photos by Catherine Ross)

Children love sleepovers, and what better way to celebrate the Summer Reading Program's 2014 theme "Paws to Read!"? More than 20 stuffed animals and their human friends gathered for story time at SHAPE International Library before the children tucked in their companions for the night.

When the children returned in the morning, photographic "proof" showed the stuffed animals and other plush toys out from under their blankets and engaged in shenanigans.

The evening started with the children filling out nametags and permission slips for their stuffed animals, librarian Lisa Steinacker said.

"The permission slips gave the kids a chance to list their friend's likes and dislikes as well as their bedtime," she said.

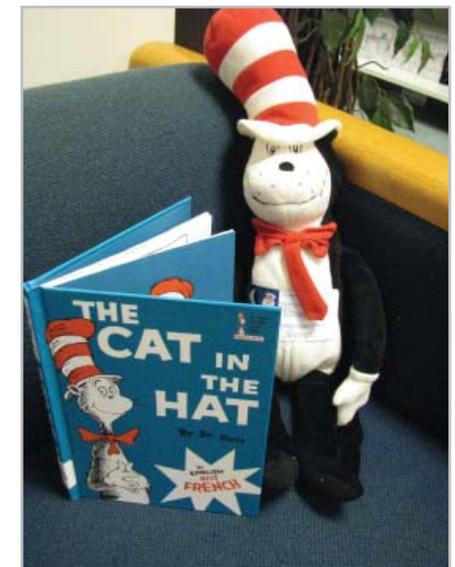
Check-in also included a photo of each set of owners and their stuffed animals, which helped library staff reunite children and their "loved ones" the next morning.

"After story time, the kids tucked in their friends and said good bye," Steinacker said. They came to the library the next morning "to find very tired stuffed animals friends. The kids were able to look at the photos of their stuffed animal friend's adventure while they had a muffin and juice. All of the kids were amazed by what the stuffed animals did during the night."

The library plans to host another Stuffed Animal Sleepover this fall.



Bones the Dog "reads" John Francis' "Big Book of Animal Families" to new friends at SHAPE International Library's Stuffed Animal Sleepover recently. Some toys just can't stay in their covers, it seems. • At right, the Cat in the Hat "found his book" during SHAPE International Library's Stuffed Animal Sleepover, its sole evening event of the Summer Reading Program "Paws to Read!" July 25. In keeping with the "Paws to Read!" theme, participants in the Summer Reading Program at SHAPE and Chièvres libraries will also be invited to attend the library's Pet Parade, scheduled for Aug. 30 at the SHAPE Fest Tent in conjunction with MWR Dogs Day Out. Pets and stuffed animals are welcome.



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Call for bloggers

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

Gazette submissions

Send your submissions and requests for publication to usarmy.benelux.imcom-europe.list.pao@mail.mil by Monday at 3 p.m.

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 046-4437450.

GK offers info on VA home loans

At a recent workshop, hosted by the 470th ABS Airman & Family Readiness Center at Geilenkirchen Air Base, community members learned about the Veterans Administration Home Loan process.

The overseas military services coordinator for the German region, Sean Cannon, presented an informative hourlong introduction to the VA Home Loan guaranty and process July 24.

If you missed the presentation and want to learn more visit <http://www.va.gov/> or contact the A&FRC at DSN 458-6015 or civilian +49-2451-633791 for a copy of the presentation slides.

NLC offers claims help

If you recently arrived in the Netherlands/Germany and have received your hold baggage and/or household goods and need to file a claim for missing and/or damaged items in the online "DPS" program, contact the Netherlands Law Center at DSN 360-7683 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437683 for assistance.

AAFES Exchange brings new look to Brussels community

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service, or AAFES, is concluding the final plans to transition the current Brussels Special T's operation to a local contractor-operated concessionaire. The last day for the current Special T's operation will be Aug. 29.

Pending the solicitation and award of the contract, the new concessionaire is expected to open by Oct. 1. September will be used to renovate the current location for the new concessionaire.

In addition, a change will also be underway in the Retail Store, with the expansion of the current Snack Avenue area. The Snack Avenue expansion will add an additional 12 feet with a multitude of ready-to-eat meal options, healthy snacks, expanded coffee selection and grab-and-go treats added to the assortment.

Chièvres LRC offices close Fridays temporarily

Some supply and services offices under the 405th Army Field Support Brigade's Logistics Readiness Center-Benelux, located at Hangar 3 on Chièvres Air Base, will be closed Fridays through Aug. 29:

- Supply Support Activity Central Shipping and Receiving
- Property Book Office
- Hazardous Material Management Issue Center.

In case of emergency, call DSN 361-5491 or civilian 068-275491.

Normal Friday operating hours will resume Sept. 5.

Brunssum cash cage reduces hours

The Brunssum Finance cashier window will reduce its hours through Aug. 8, when the cashier window will only be open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Military Pay will still operate normally Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Fridays 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

SATO operates on 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. through Sept. 5. Normal operating hours will resume Sept. 8.

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.

Urgently looking for international teams to participate in the Delegations Cup. No upper age limit.

SHAPE Sub Aqua Club

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

SSAC offers Try-Dives 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. The club organizes an annual Dive and Dinner in Brussels at NEMO 33, the world's deepest indoor pool.

Learn more at <http://www.shapesubaqua.com>.

Summer travel

This summer, many people travel across Europe and around the globe. Any travel comes with potential danger.

You can reduce the likelihood of becoming a terror victim by maintaining situational awareness in large crowds. Report suspicious activity to appropriate authorities.

USAREUR's Antiterrorism experts have designed an information trifold brochure now available at http://www.eur.army.mil/vigilance/Travel_Guidance_trifold_June2014.pdf.

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Arts & Crafts at SHAPE

SHAPE Arts & Crafts in Building 307 (same as library) provides an array of craft classes and material for SHAPE families. Arts & Crafts has framing, engraving, ceramics, pottery, quilting and other craft classes and services. Book a craft birthday party or order helium balloons.

For more information, stop by the Arts & Crafts Center on SHAPE in Building 307, e-mail artsandcraftsshape@gmail.com or call DSN 423-6049 or civilian 065-446049.

SHAPE International Library

Belgian Corner - If you are looking for something to do, want to explore Belgian cuisine or wonder about the origins of Belgian festivals, visit SHAPE International Library's new Belgian Corner. Located between the French and German sections, the Belgian Corner helps you to familiarize yourself with your temporary home. Read about local festivals, attractions and museums as well as Belgian food and traditions.

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.

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'

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/Chievres - Registration is open and will continue throughout the summer.

In keeping with the "Paws to Read!" theme, participants in SRP at SHAPE and Chievres libraries are invited to attend the library's Pet Parade, scheduled Aug. 30 at the SHAPE Fest Tent in conjunction with MWR Dogs Day Out. Pets and stuffed animals are welcome.

For more information, call the SHAPE International Library at DSN 423-5631 or civilian 065-445631 or the Chievres Library at DSN 361-5767 or civilian 068-275767. You can also visit the libraries' website at <http://chievres.armymwr.com/europe/chievres/>.

Brussels CDC discontinues lunches for children at hourly care

Lunch is no longer be offered in the Brussels Child Development Center hourly room. Parents must provide a lunch in accordance with USDA guidelines. A simple snack will be offered daily at the CDC. As a result, hourly rates will decrease to \$3.50 per child per hour.

Questions can be directed to the assistant director of the USAG Benelux-Brussels CYSS at DSN 368-9651 or civilian 02-7179651.

CYSS now accepting paperwork for Free and Reduced Lunch Program

CYSS is now taking Free and Reduced Lunch Program applications for the 2014-2015 school year. Applications are available at CYSS Parent Central Services for students attending USAG Benelux DoDDs schools. Current leave-and-earnings statement, or LES, is required with each form. Recertification of school lunch accounts needed for all previous and new participants. Forms can be dropped off in the boxes labeled School Lunch Application forms at CYSS or at school.

CYSS at Brussels

Contact Brussels CYSS Parent Central at DSN 368-9651 or civilian 02-7179651. Volunteers are needed for sports.

Summer camp - Brussels CYSS offers summer camps through Aug. 22 for youth who have completed grades kindergarten through 11. Register soon because space is limited.

Fall soccer - Registration is open through Aug. 29 for fall soccer, ages 3 to 15. Season starts 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. Season starts Sept. 8. Cost: \$40.

Flag football - Registration is open through Aug. 29 for ages 10 to 15. Season starts Sept. 8. Cost: \$40.

CYSS at Schinnen/Brunssum

Call CYSS Parent Central Services at DSN 364-3121/2023 or civilian +31 (0) 45-5263121/2023.

Teen baby-sitting course - Learn basic child-care skills and get Red Cross certified in first aid and pediatric cardiopulmonary resuscitation, or CPR, at the Schinnen Youth Center Aug. 11 to 15 from 1 to 5 p.m. The course offers tips on entertaining children, business practices and child development as well as safety and nutrition. You must be 12 (seventh grade) or older and registered with Schinnen CYSS to participate in the course. Space is limited. Cost: \$15 per person.

Summer camp - The USAG Benelux-Schinnen School Age Center and Youth Center offer summer-camp trips through Aug. 15. Space is limited.

CYSS at SHAPE

Summer Camp - Registration is open for the Summer Camp through Aug. 22. 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 in high school, if you 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 offers 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. Call CYSS at DSN 423-5611 or civilian 065-445611.



Read about events near Chièvres, SHAPE and Brussels.

Aug. 8

- **Local products market in Soignies** - Local products will be offered for sale at this market held on Place Van Zeeland between 6 and 10 p.m. Entrance is free of charge.

Aug. 8 to 17

- **Brussels Summer Festival** - More information at <http://www.bsf.be/en/>. Presale ticket is €50 for 10 days.

Aug. 9

- **Feluy Beach 2014 in Ronquières** - Kick off is at 10 a.m. with a beach volley tournament among 60 teams. During the day, there will be music, food and beverage booths, entertainment for kids and more. In the evening, DJ Nico will entertain the crowd until 3 a.m. Entrance is free of charge, players need to pay a participation fee. For details, send an email to feluybeach2014@outlook.com.
- **Wrangler Jeep get together in Vaudignies (Chièvres)** - Third edition will be held on Rue de Trieu with display of Wrangler Jeeps all day. For those who want to participate with a Wrangler Jeep, registration is mandatory at 0479/273566.
- **Flea market in Hornu** (200 booths) - On Rue Sainte Louise from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Flea market in Le Roeulx** (70 booths) - On Chaussée de Mons 14B from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- **Flea market in Carnières** (150 booths) - On Rue Royale from 4:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Aug. 9 and 10

- **"Art-Nature" Fair in Vaudignies (Chièvres)** - This year's theme is Portugal with display and show of Lusitanian horses, falconery, dogs, wolfs and more. Free tractor rides for kids and various food and beverage booths on Rue du Trieu both days from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Entrance fee is €4, children under 12 get free access. For more information, check <http://www.anpem.be/>.
- **Flea market in Vaudignies (Chièvres)** - On Rue du Trieu from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. both days.

Aug. 10

- **Volksmarch in Thieusies** for 5, 10, 15 or 20 km - Departs from the Place between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Lessines** for 5, 10, 15 or 20 km - Departs from Chaussée Gabrielle Richet, across from #48 between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Ramillies-Offus** for 5, 10, 15 or 20 km. Departs "Salle du Wayaux" on Rue du Wayaux 7 between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Blandain** for 5, 10, 15 or 20 km - Departs Rue de l'Eglise Saint-Eleuthère between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- **Flea market in Soignies** (100 booths) on Rue de l'Epinois from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Flea market in Gondregnies** (100 booths) - On Rue du Brisqué from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



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

Aug. 8

- **Rocking Tegula in Tegelen (Venlo)** - The event gives local bands from Tegelen or from the immediate neighborhood, the opportunity to perform in public. Each band gets 45 minutes to entertain the crowd. Event starts at 8 p.m. at Plein 1817 and is free of charge.

Aug. 8 to 11

- **Thuishaven Festival in Gennep** - Musicians, artists, clowns and more from the Netherlands and abroad will entertain at Kloster Graefenthal on Maasstraat 48-50 starting at 4 p.m. on Friday. For more information, check <http://www.thuishavenamsterdam.nl/>.
- **Festival of roses in Lottum (Horst aan de Maas)** - Event is held every two years in Lottum. The center of town is decorated with roses everywhere, in and around the square, inside the church, at the Borggraaf castle and along the Maas. Event starts Friday at 5 p.m., the other days at 10 a.m. Entrance fee is €12.50 and can be purchased online at <http://rozendorp.nl/>. On site tickets are at €15 per adult, children up to 12 years old get in free of charge.

Aug. 10

- **All American Day in Tegelen (Venlo)** - Downtown Tegelen will be filled with American cars, hot rods and bikes. Participants will also enjoy some live music and various food and beverage booths from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Plein 1817. Event is free of charge.
- **Volksmarch in Schinnen** for 14 km - Departs Kasteel Terborgh on Heisterbrug 119 at 9:30 a.m.
- **Flea market in Horst aan de Maas** - Carbootsale, a British tradition of selling secondhand goods out of the trunk of the car, is becoming popular in the Netherlands. Sale is at the Kasteelpark Ter Horst on Tienrayseweg 12 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Entrance fee is €2.50, children up to 12 years old get in free of charge.
- **Flea market in Reuver (Beersel)** - Another carbootsale or sale from the trunk of the cars is held at Evenemententerrein de Paardenvriend on Bergerhofweg 1 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is €2; children up to 12 years old get in free of charge.





Through Aug. 17

- **"Foire du Midi" (funfair) in Brussels** - The fairground on Boulevard du Midi is from 3 p.m. through midnight.

Through Aug. 10

- **Brussels Beach (Bruxelles les Bains)** opens its urban beach Tuesday to Sunday, at the Quai des Péniches near the Place Saintelette. Get information about this urban beach at <http://www.bruxelleslesbains.be/programme>.

Through Sept. 7 (except Mondays)

- **Visit the Royal Palace in Brussels** - On Place des Palais, from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission is free of charge.



Trenches to Foxholes

Through Aug. 24

- **Free 3D show in Mons** - Every night at 10 p.m., free 3D show on the Mons main square, based on the "legend of angels." Legend has it that some angels came to the rescue of some British troops in jeopardy during World War I. The sound-and-light show projected on the Mons City Hall will highlight this WWI legend.

Aug. 29 to Sept. 3

- **70th Anniversary of the Liberation in the Chimay area** - Events kick off on Friday, Aug. 29, at 7:30 p.m. with the SHAPE Band Concert at the Château in Chimay. On Saturday, Aug. 30, there will be a military memorabilia fair from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. and a concert and popular dance starting at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 31, from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. is the Liberation Walk for 6, 10, 14 or 20 km. At 11 a.m. is a Catholic service in memory of the liberators followed by a re-enactment with World War II vintage vehicles. Various entertainment in the afternoon. On Tuesday, Sept. 2, are the official commemorative events at 9:30 a.m. at Cendron and 11:15 a.m. at Monceau-Imbrechies. On Wednesday, Sept. 3, at 11 a.m. is the official commemoration in St. Rémy where American airmen were shot by the Nazis.

BOOK NOW:

- **SHAPE Trips & Tours has scheduled a trip to Cendron Aug. 31 to take part in the commemorations combined with a visit to the Château of Chimay. Price is €30 per person. Departs from Brussels at 8 a.m. and from SHAPE at 9 a.m. Returns to SHAPE at 5 p.m. and to Brussels at 6 p.m. Contact SHAPE Trips & Tours at 065-443884 for more information.**

Through Sept. 14 (except Aug. 23)

- **Visit the World War I battlefield in the Mons area**, to include Nimy, Obourg, St-Symphorien. The tour is aboard a double decker. Departs from the Mons main square Saturdays and Sundays at 2 p.m. Visit takes three hours. Cost: Adults €18; children €12.



Aug. 10 continued

- **Ladies Day Reigershof in Oud Gastel (Halderberge)** - Event is organized by women for women with various information booths and begins at 9:30 a.m. After the event, partners can join in at 4 p.m. for a barbecue. Held at Bremswegje7c, admission is €6.50, including two drinks.



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- **Harvest just like in the old days in Boekel** - Watch how harvest used to be done with oldtime tractors display and equipment. Event held on Mutshoek is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is free of charge.

Ongoing

Through Aug. 17

- **Orlando Festival (Chamber music) in Kerkrade** - International chamber music festival for young and old, this festival not only has concerts, it also offers classes, workshops, masterclasses and more. Festival is held at various locations in Kerkrade, Heerlen and Maastricht. For more information, check <http://www.orlandofestival.nl/>.

Through Aug. 31

- **Guggenheim NY collection in Amstelveen** - Discover the complete collection of Guggenheim New York abstract works at the Cobra Museum, Sanbergplein 1. For more information, check <http://www.cobra-museum.nl/>.

Through Sept. 5

- **Cheese market in Alkmaar** - World-famous for its cheese, Alkmaar has been where cheese has been weighed since 1593. Cheese carriers carry thousands of kilos of cheese from 'Waagplein' square to the weighing house. Cheese carriers can be seen in action every Friday between 10 a.m. and noon until the first Friday of September. You'll be surprised at how important cheese used to be and still is for the city of Alkmaar.

Through Sept. 28

- **Sand sculpture festival in Oss** - First edition of this festival in Brabant with the theme: "A trip Around the World... in Sand." Some 25 sculptures will be on display from 2 to 7 meters high. Open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: adults €4.50, children 3 to 15 years old €3, and family tickets €12.50 (two adults/two children).

SHAPE Trips & Tours

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

Medieval Dinner in Brugge (Bruges), Aug. 23 – Immerse yourself in another time: Experience a festive banquet in a grand setting with a dozen lively attractions, medieval costumes and music as well as food and drink. You will feast in what was formerly a church, surrounded by dozens of other revelers while you enjoy a four-course dinner, washed down with all the beer and wine you can drink. While you enjoy your meal, feast your eyes on jesters, minstrels, dancers, sword fighters and more. This evening in Brugge is fun for the whole family. Departs from Brussels at 12:30 p.m. and from SHAPE at 1:30 p.m. Arrives Aug. 24 at SHAPE at 1 a.m. and at Brussels at 2 a.m. Cost: Adults €93; youths, ages 11 to 14, €62; children, ages 6 to 10, €42; children, infant to 5, €30.

Schinnen Trips and Tours

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

Wine Festival Der Mittel Mosel River, Sept. 6 – Take a day trip to Bernkastel-Kues, Germany, and experience what it has to offer, then end your day at the wine festival by watching fireworks from the banks of the Mosel River. This trip is open to U.S./NATO ID card holders and their guests. Departs Schinnen at 11 a.m. Returns Sept. 7 at 2 a.m. Cost: \$55.

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 the group 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 Ieper (Ypres), where

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. Cost: €40.



SHAPE Trips & Tours

- Mosel Wine Festival, **Aug. 30**
- Commemoration of the 70th anniversary of the liberation of Cendron and visit to the Chimay Château, **Aug. 31**
- Belgian Beer/Gin Tour, **Sept. 13**
- Burgundy Wine Region, **Oct. 3 to 5**
- Amsterdam, **Oct. 4**



- London, **Oct. 11**
- Peru, **Oct. 24 to Nov. 3**
- London, **Dec. 6 to 7**
- Flanders Field, **Nov. 9**
- Tenerife, Spain, New Year's Eve Gala, **Dec. 27 to Jan. 7, 2015: Sign up by Oct. 1.**
- Buy discounted tickets to: Natura Park, Plugster, Pottery House, Site du Grand-Hornu, Thuin L'Abbaye d' Aulne, Thuin-Le Beffroi and Walibi and more.

Schinnen Trips & Tours

- 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

Aug. 7

- **Anger Management and Conflict Resolution** - Brussels Army Community Service offers this class Thursday from 5 to 6 p.m. on the second floor of the USAG Benelux-Brussels Complex, Building 4. "Anger Management and Conflict Resolution" teaches attendees to identify signs of anger, to recognize the impact and potential repercussions of uncontrolled anger, and to develop skills to reduce and manage anger issues. Contact ACS at DSN 368-9783 or civilian 02-7179783 to get more information and to register.

Aug. 13, 20, 27; Sept. 3

- **Scream-Free Marriage** - Bring a sack lunch to this four-part lunchtime series on the second floor of Building 4 in the USAG Benelux-Brussels Army Community Service Conference Room from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. For information and registration (required), call DSN 368-9783 or civilian 02-7179783.

Aug. 14

- **SMART Money Management** - Build your financial future with the tools you'll learn to use at this personal-finance workshop from 1 to 2 p.m. This is just one of the workshops on financial management that are offered Thursdays at Brussels Army Community Service. Contact Brussels ACS to register or call DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824 for details.

SCHINNEN/BRUNSSUM COMMUNITY

Aug. 12

- **Consumer Rights, Obligations and Scams** - This lesson, held at Army Community Service from 11 a.m. to noon, teaches about the obligations that a consumer has, such as paying back debts. Receive an overview of several of identity-theft scams and how to elude them as well as an overview on what the Federal Trade Commission, or FTC, does and doesn't protect, about warranties for the products you purchase, and how to go about filing a complaint when you're not satisfied with your purchased item. To register, contact ACS at DSN 360-7450/7500 or civilian 046-4437450/7500.

Aug. 13

- **Baby Food 101** - Thought making your own baby food was too complicated? See just how easy it is to make nutritious baby food at the WIC and New Parent Support Program workshop in the Army Community Service Conference Room from noon to 2 p.m. Contact DSN 360-7500 or civilian 046-4437500.

Aug. 14

- **Résumé Writing** - At this workshop in the Schinnen ACS conference room from 10 to 11:30 a.m., learn to write impressive résumés that capture your experience and expertise, and include accomplishments that get you noticed. For information or to register, call DSN 360-7269 or civilian 046-4437269.

Aug. 19

- **Armed Forces Entertainment Presents: GIs of Comedy** - Watch "Comedic Troupe of Troops" in action at the Memories Lane Lounge, located in the Schinnen Bowling Center in the USAG Benelux-Schinnen Complex's Building 40 from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. To learn more about this 18-and-older event, contact DSN 360-7207 or civilian 0464-437207.



SHAPE/CHIEVRES COMMUNITY

Aug. 12, 19 and 26

- **Lunch and Learn Series** - Brown-bag it, and join the discussion group at the Army Community Service training room in Building 318 on SHAPE from noon until 1 p.m. Life-skills topics covered during the series include: Aug. 12: Communication and Assertiveness; Aug. 19: Children and Moving; and Aug. 26: Balancing Work, Life and Command. Contact ACS at DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824.

Aug. 13

- **SMART Money Management** - SHAPE Army Community Service offers this workshop from 1 to 2 p.m. as part of a series of personal-finance workshops scheduled through Sept. 10 to help SHAPE/Chièvres community members manage their money for a brighter future. Classes are offered Wednesdays in Building 318 in the ACS conference room on SHAPE. Contact SHAPE ACS to register or call DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824 for more information.
- **Be Financially Prepared for Your PCS** - If you have an upcoming permanent change of station, let SHAPE Army Community Service help you during this workshop in Building 318 in the ACS conference room from 2:15 to 3:15 p.m. Contact SHAPE ACS to register or call DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824 to find out more.

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.aspx> for updates.

Aug. 8	4 p.m.	The Hundred-Foot Journey	PG	110 min
	6:30 p.m.	Hercules 3D	PG-13	100 min
Aug. 9	4 p.m.	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 3D	PG-13	100 min
	7 p.m.	Hercules 3D	PG-13	100 min
Aug. 10	3 p.m.	Guardians of the Galaxy	PG-13	122 min
	5:30 p.m.	Into the Storm	PG-13	89 min
Aug. 13	Noon	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 3D	PG-13	100 min
	2 p.m.	Hercules 3D	PG-13	100 min
Aug. 14	Noon	Guardians of the Galaxy 3D	PG-13	122 min
	2:30 p.m.	How to Train Your Dragon 2 3D	PG	105 min
Aug. 15	4 p.m.	How to Train Your Dragon 2 3D	PG	105 min
	6 p.m.	Think Like a Man Too	PG-13	106 min
Aug. 16	4 p.m.	Into the Storm	PG-13	89 min
	6 p.m.	Get on Up	PG-13	138 min
Aug. 17	3 p.m.	The Expendables 3	PG-13	106 min
	6 p.m.	Let's Be Cops	R	104 min
Aug. 20	4 p.m.	Planes : Fire and Rescue 3D	PG	83 min
	6:30 p.m.	Step Up: All In 3D	PG-13	112 min
Aug. 22	4 p.m.	How to Train Your Dragon 2	PG	105 min
	6 p.m.	If I Stay	PG-13	106 min
	8 p.m.	Sex Tape	R	94 min

Theaters near SHAPE/Chièvres that play movies in English:

Only the British or American movies listed as VO (Version Originale or Originele Versie) will be in English.

Plaza Art - Rue de Nimy 12, 7000 Mons (next to the main square). 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 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>.

Aug. 8	7 p.m.	The Hundred-Foot Journey	PG	110 min
Aug. 9	4 p.m.	Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles	PG-13	90 min
	7 p.m.	Into the Storm	PG-13	89 min
Aug. 15	7 p.m.	Step Up: All In	PG-13	112 min
Aug. 16	4 p.m.	The Expendables	PG-13	106 min
	7 p.m.	Let's be Cops	R	104 min
Aug. 22	7 p.m.	Dawn of the Planet of the Apes	PG-13	130 min
Aug. 23	4 p.m.	Planes: Fire and Rescue	PG	83 min
	7 p.m.	If I Stay	PG-13	106 min
Aug. 29	7 p.m.	The November Man	R	None stated
Aug. 30	4 p.m.	When the Games Stands Still	PG	None stated
	7 p.m.	As Above So Below	R	None stated