

THE GAZETTE

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

Benelux news briefs

US Town Hall/Info Fair

Meet with community leaders and agencies to ask questions and receive information at the U.S. Town Hall and Information Fair at the SHAPE Events Centre Oct. 16 from 3 to 6 p.m.

Community members can visit booths at the information fair from 3 to 4 p.m. and from 5 to 6 p.m. The town-hall meeting and question-and-answer session will run from 4 to 5 p.m.

Food and flu immunizations will be available. Open to all U.S. service members, civilian employees and family members.

To find out more, contact the U.S. National Military Representative, or USNMR, at DSN 423-4032 or civilian 065-444032.

FEHB info available

Federal Benefits Open Season runs Nov. 10 to Dec. 8.

Benefits Administration Letters (BAL), 14-401 and 14-402 are available at <http://www.opm.gov/retirement-services/publications-forms/benefits-administration-letters>.

Read health-plan brochures on the health plan's website or on the Office of Personnel Management's website at <http://www.opm.gov/FEHBbrochures>.

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MPs learn to determine driver's potential intoxication

Sgt. Matthew R. Schroeder observes a driver potentially intoxicated, embodied by Sgt. Robert A McNulty (in civilian clothes), Thursday, Oct. 2, 2014, on Chièvres Air Base. McNulty has to stand on one leg while counting out loud. This is one of the tests a driver suspected of driving under influence can be asked to perform to determine whether he is intoxicated.

IMCOM SENDS

Columbus Day: Plan properly for safe holiday weekend

SAN ANTONIO (Oct. 3, 2014) -- Columbus Day has been a federal holiday since 1937. Each of you deserves some rest and relaxation. Celebrate and enjoy this time off with your family and friends.

As you embark on your long weekend, please be careful and emphasize safety.

If you are traveling, go online and check out the unique hazards of the location you plan to visit.

Columbus Day often means one last trip to the coast. Think safety: Never swim alone, always use sunscreen, and don't let alcohol impair your judgment.

With seasonal changes approaching, consider using this weekend to

prepare for winter risks and hazards. Remember the factors brought by fall, like shorter days, much cooler nights and foraging wildlife – and remind your co-workers of them.

Past harsh winters taught us to be proactive in not only identifying hazards around the house, but also doing minor maintenance, such as checking and insulating water pipes, before harsh weather transforms minor problems into major damage.

National Fire Prevention Week, Oct. 5 to 11, overlaps this holiday weekend. For those of us relaxing at home, now is a good time for a preseason inspection of heaters and for testing and replacing smoke-detector batteries.

More helpful fire-prevention tips can be found at <http://www.nfpa.org/safety-information/fire-prevention-week>.

Finally, limit the use of alcohol. If you drink, don't drive. Have a designated driver. The Army Safety Center has several tools you can use (<https://safety.army.mil/>) to plan a road trip and to help keep you and your family from harm.

We are extremely proud of all that you do for our nation's Army. IMCOM supports our warfighters across the globe, and our people are the key to our success.

Enjoy your Columbus Day weekend. You earned it.

Army Strong!



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Columbus Day briefs

SHAPE clinic reduces services

The SHAPE Healthcare Facility will operate on a holiday schedule Monday, Oct. 13, in celebration of Columbus Day.

Although most services will be closed, the following services will be available:

- Acute Care Walk-in Clinic will be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Healthcare Finder Window will be open for making referral appointments.
- Physical Therapy Clinic will be open.

Cash cage closes

The 266th Financial Management Center cash cage on SHAPE will be closed Oct. 13 in observance of Columbus Day.

Commissary will be closed

The Chièvres Commissary will be closed Oct. 13 and 14 to celebrate Columbus Day since the Chièvres Commissary is normally closed Mondays.

AAFES on holiday schedule

The Chièvres PXtra will be open Oct. 13 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., which corresponds with the PXtra's normal operating hours.

Main Exchange facilities in both Chièvres and Schinnen will be closed Monday (on which Columbus Day is observed this year) since they are normally closed Mondays.

Other AAFES facilities on Schinnen that will be closed are Car Care Center, Concessions and Shoppette/Express (normally open Mondays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.).

Gyms have holiday hours

The Chièvres Fitness Center will be open Oct. 13 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Weekday hours at the Chièvres Fitness Center are normally 6 a.m. to 9 p.m., and training holidays are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.)

The Schinnen Fitness Center is open weekends and American holidays — including Columbus Day, observed Oct. 13 — from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Weekday operating hours at the Schinnen Fitness Center are 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Schinnen celebrates Retiree Appreciation Day

All U.S. military retirees and their spouses are invited to attend the USAG Benelux-Schinnen U.S. Military Retiree Appreciation Day (RAD) Oct. 17 at the Community Activity Center in Building 38 on Schinnen from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

"We planned this event to show appreciation to our U.S. military retirees for their service. We welcome retirees from all branches of service," said event organizer Alicia R. Langrell, who is also the Central Processing Facility coordinator at Schinnen. "We invite everyone to come at 9 o'clock to enjoy refreshments and listen to opening remarks by the deputy garrison manager."

Representatives will be on hand to answer questions and provide information regarding TRICARE, health and wellness, legal services, banking ser-

VICES, dental, VA benefits, Continuing Education, ID Cards, and Army Community Service.

Information regarding various retiree membership organizations (NAUS, MOAA, AMRA, etc.) will also be available.

Enjoy free bowling from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. You only pay for shoes.

There will be a free shuttle to the Customs Office on JFC Brunssum for those who need to pay Retiree Shopping Program customs tax. Seats on the shuttle are limited; sign up soon by calling by calling DSN 364-3475 or civilian +31 (0) 45-5263475. Reservations for RAD should also be called in to that number.

Come for the information, for the food, for the free bowling, or just to socialize with your fellow retirees and have fun.



USAG Benelux holds Retiree Appreciation Day at SHAPE clinic

Retired Lt. Cmdr. Jonathan Kadstein gets his blood pressure taken by Spc. Henry Owayne (as Owayne explains the numbers) at the 2014 Retiree Appreciation Day hosted by USAG Benelux. The annual event was held at the SHAPE Healthcare Facility Oct. 4 to honor retirees and offer information and services to them. (U.S. Army photo by Tim Clark)

Holiday bazaar planned

The Eifel Holiday Bazaar will be held Oct. 24 to 26 at Hangars 1 and 2 on Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany.

An End-of-Oktoberfest celebration with live entertainment and beverage sales will be collocated with the bazaar Saturday, Oct. 25, from noon to 6 p.m.

Open to all U.S. and NATO forces ID card holders. Strollers will be permitted. Visa and Mastercard will be accepted. Cash sales will be in American dollars only.

The holiday bazaar will be open Oct. 24 from noon to 7 p.m., Oct. 25 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Oct. 26 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Santa Claus arrives Oct. 24 at 3:30 p.m. If you'd like a photo taken with Santa, visit him Oct. 24 from 4 to 7 p.m., Oct. 25 from 1 to 5 p.m. or Oct. 26 from noon to 2:30 p.m.

Any prospective vendors (private organizations, for example, or military spouses with home-based businesses who would like to have booths at the bazaar) should contact bazaar@spangocsc.org or visit the bazaar's Facebook page by going to <https://www.facebook.com> and putting "Spangdahlem Eifel Holiday Bazaar" into the search engine.

If you'd like to volunteer, send an email message to IWantToVolunteer@hotmail.com.

Send greetings through AFN

Not going home for the holidays? Your family can still hear from you.

Your AFN Benelux crew will film holiday greetings at a location near you. Let AFN help you send a message that your loved ones will never forget. Service members must be in uniform to participate, and family members are welcome to join in sending a message.

• **USAG Benelux-Brussels at 3 Star Lounge:** Oct. 15 from 2 to 6 p.m.;

• **Kleine-Brogel:** Oct. 16 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.;

• **USAG Benelux-Schinnen at PX:** Oct. 20 from 2 to 6 p.m.;

• **USAG Benelux at Chièvres PXtra:** Oct. 21 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.;

• **SHAPE at AFN Studio:** Oct. 21 from 3:30 to 6 p.m.; and

• **Makeup day at AFN Studio on SHAPE:** Oct. 22 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, go to <https://www.facebook.com>

AFN conducts survey

In addition to the great television services the U.S. military has grown accustomed to receiving from the American Forces Network, AFN is now in the exploratory stage of also delivering programming to its audience via the mobile experience; streaming and on-demand services, according to a news release from AFN Broadcast Center Public Affairs.

As this is a major undertaking, AFN has posted a short questionnaire on <http://www.myafn.net> to determine audience viewing habits, preferences, and their current capability to receive a streamed and/or AFN video-on-demand service. The questionnaire takes less than five minutes to answer and is available now through Oct. 24.

Expand your creativity in SHAPE crafts classes

SHAPE Arts & Crafts offers a variety of craft classes and craft-themed birthday parties.

To obtain more information or to make reservations for a class or party, visit the Arts & Crafts Center (collocated with SHAPE International Library in Building 307), send an email message to artsandcrafts-shape@gmail.com, or call DSN 423-6049 or civilian 065-446049.

• **Birthday parties on Saturdays**

SHAPE Arts & Crafts has a variety of crafts for children of all ages, such as bisque painting and name signs, for birthday parties on Saturdays.

You bring the food; SHAPE Arts & Crafts staffers provide the fun.

Cost: €30 to reserve the room. Additional cost depends on the craft.

• **Cake Design: Basic Class**

Learn basic cake design at SHAPE Arts & Crafts Oct. 16 from 10 a.m. to noon.

Cost: €30 [lesson €15 plus materials €15].

• **Floral design**

You can create your personal flower composition using natural elements that are typical of the season at SHAPE Arts & Crafts on select Mondays from 12:15 to 2:15 p.m.

Classes are scheduled as follows:

Oct. 20 - Arrangement using orange, lemon, cinnamon and pinecones;

Nov. 3 - Wreath using succulent plants;

Nov. 17 - Thanksgiving arrangement;

Dec. 1 - Christmas wreath; and

Dec. 8 - Christmas centerpiece.

Cost: €30 [lesson €10 plus materials €20].

• **Photography**

Learn how to use your camera to its fullest capabilities during four one-hour classes Oct. 29, Nov. 5, 12 and 19 from 10 to 11 a.m. or 7 to 8 p.m.

The instructor teaches the basics of composition and will help you take better family, travel and landscape photographs.

Cost: €50.

• **Pottery**

Parent and Child Hand Building gives parent/child teams (with up to two children from ages 5 to 10) an opportunity to make hand-built pottery, including pinch pots, slab houses and something they create for their own particular use.

Parent and child can explore decorative clay elements and decorations during the course, which runs for six Wednesdays: Nov. 5, 12, 19, 26, Dec. 2 and 9 from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Cost per team: €70. Clay, glaze and borrowed tools are included in the team price.

GOV drivers, UTCs need annual training

All drivers of U.S. government vehicles must take Annual Winter Drivers Training. The classes being offered are:

SHAPE: Classes in English every Wednesday until Dec. 12 in Building 220's Room 113 at the Drivers Testing Station at 9:15 a.m. Space is limited for SHAPE training sessions so register by telephone at DSN 366-6175/6543 or civilian 065-326175/6543. Sessions in French for groups are available upon request.

Chièvres: Classes will be Oct 23 and Nov. 20 in the auditorium of Caserne Daumerie's Building 30. Class in English will be at 9 a.m., and class in French will be at 9:45 a.m.

Brussels: Classes in English will be Nov. 14 in the Education Center's Room 308 Building 1 at 2 p.m. and 3 p.m., and Nov. 20 (during Mandatory Training Day) at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. (Details to be determined.)

Schinnen: Every Tuesday and Friday in October from 10 to 11 a.m. and 2 to 3 p.m. in Building 4's Drivers Testing classroom. A separate class will be offered to military police Oct. 27 from 9 to 10 a.m. Call DSN 360-7433 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437433.

International School Brunssum: Class in English will be Oct. 3 from 8 to 9:30 a.m.

SDDC at Rotterdam: Class in English will be Oct. 9, conference room.

Headquarters, JFC Brunssum: Classes in English will be Oct. 9, and a date to be determined in the conference room.

Don't forget to bring your driver's license (OF 346) to the Annual Winter Drivers Training.

Unit Transportation Coordinator Training will be conducted at:

- **USAG Benelux-Brussels** in Building 1's Room 318 Oct. 21 and 23 at 10 a.m.

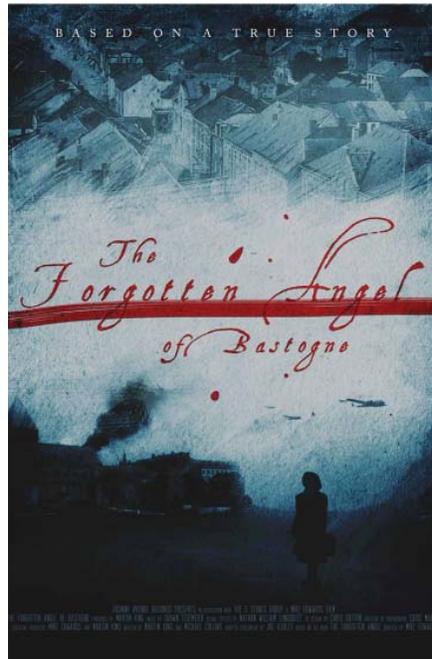
- **Chièvres Air Base** in Building 105 Oct. 21 and 28 from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

- **USAG Benelux-Schinnen** in Building 4 in the Drivers Training Lab Oct. 21 and 23 from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

- **SHAPE** in Building 220's Room 113 at the Drivers Testing Station Oct. 23 and 30 from 1:30 to 3 p.m.

Trenches to Foxholes

American Legion hosts documentary 'The Forgotten Angel of Bastogne'



"Forgotten Angel" movie poster.

The American Legion Post BE02 will be hosting a presentation of the documentary "The Forgotten Angel of Bastogne." The screening is scheduled for Oct. 23, at 7 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room (MPR) at Brussels American High School. The presentation is free to the students, their families and friends, the school staff, service members and employees of USAG Benelux-Brussels.

"The Forgotten Angel of Bastogne" is the true story of Augusta Chiwy, a Belgian nurse whose volunteer service in a U.S. Army medical aid station during the Battle of the Bulge exemplifies the best of people in the worst of times. As this year is the 70th anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge, which began Dec. 16, 1944, this is an opportunity to learn about a heretofore unknown historical figure.

Increase cybersecurity at home, work

October is Cybersecurity Awareness Month. This month is an opportunity to learn more about cybersecurity in order to guard your information at work and at home. Here are just a few helpful hints:

- Government employees have access to free antivirus software found

on Army Knowledge Online that can be used on their home computers.

- Make sure to keep your antivirus software up to date to protect your computer from malicious software. For more cybersecurity information and resources, go to www.eur.army.mil/vigilance.

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Trenches to Foxholes

Next week in World War history (Oct. 12 to 18)

World War I

1914

Oct. 14 - First Battle of Ieper (Ypres) begins.
 - The Canadian Expeditionary Force of 32,000 men lands at Plymouth, England, to prepare for fighting at the Front.

1915

Oct. 12 - British Nurse Edith Cavell shot in Brussels by order of a German court-martial. Cavell's execution leads to a rise in anti-German feeling in the United States as well as in Great Britain, where she is idealized as a heroic martyr to the cause and is honored with a statue in St. Martin's Place, just off London's Trafalgar Square. "What Jeanne d'Arc has been for centuries to France," wrote one Allied journalist, "that will Edith Cavell become to the future generations of Britons."

1916

Oct. 15 - Germany resumes U-boat attacks under search and destroy rules.

Oct. 16 - Pvt. Henry Farr of the British Expeditionary Force (BEF) is executed for cowardice after he refused to go forward into the front-line trenches on the Western Front during World War I.

1917

Oct. 12 - The Ieper (Ypres) offensive culminates around the village of Passchendaele as Australian and New Zealand troops die by the thousands while attempting to press forward across a battlefield of liquid mud, advancing just 100 yards. Steady October rains create a slippery quagmire in which wounded soldiers routinely drown in mud-filled shell craters.



Courtesy Photo

The name of Mata Hari is still a metaphor for someone who uses feminine wiles to gather information.

Oct. 13 - German Jagdstaffeln (fighter squadrons) 28 and 57 arrive at Chièvres Air Field. Fighter Ace Emil Thuy of the 28th will get his last two victories of the war flying from Chièvres.

Oct. 14 - Cpl. Adolf Hitler is temporarily blinded by a British gas shell in the Ieper (Ypres) Salient and evacuated to a German military hospital at Pasewalk in Pomerania, Prussia.

Oct. 17 - The British begin their advance to the Sambre and Scheldt rivers, taking many German prisoners.

World War II

1939

Oct. 12 - German U-boat U-48 sinks French tanker Emile Miguet and British freighter Heronspool.

- Germany announces that the western powers desire war, and Germany cannot be blamed for military action on the German-French border.

1940

Oct. 18 - Two British flying boats of Royal Air Force No. 202 Squadron spot Italian submarine Durbo 120 miles east of Gibraltar off Alboran Island. British destroyers HMS Firedrake and HMS Wrestler attack with depth charges, forcing Durbo to the surface and to be scuttled. British sailors manage to capture information regarding Italian submarine dispositions from the submarine before it sinks. Durbo's crew of 48 is taken prisoner.

1941

Oct. 15 - German SS-Brigadeführer Franz Stahlecker of Einsatzgruppe A sends a 130-page report to Berlin, Germany reporting that, among other things, 71,105 Jews have been liquidated in Lithuania, 30,000 Jews in Latvia, and 3,387 Communists in Russia.

- German SS Gen. Hans Frank, the Nazi Governor-General of occupied Poland, issues a general order that any Jews leaving the Warsaw ghetto will be liable for the death penalty as would any person who knowingly gives shelter to such Jews.

Oct. 16 - Tanks of SS Reich Division and 10th Panzer Division attack the Mzhaysk Line at Borodino, Russia, 125 kilometers west of the Soviet capital of Moscow; lacking infantry support, Soviet troops halt the attacks. Thousands of civilians continue to flee the city, and the Soviet government and diplomatic corps move to Kuibyshev 1,500 miles to the east; Joseph Stalin, however, chooses to stay.

1942

Oct. 17 - Ninety-four British Lancaster bombers attack the Schneider armament factory at Le Creusot in central France in daylight; one bomber is lost on this mission.

Oct. 18 - Vice Adm. William F. Halsey replaces Vice Adm. Robert L. Ghormley as commander, South Pacific.

1943

Oct. 13 - The government of Italy declares war on its former Axis partner Germany and joins the battle on the side of the Allies.

Oct. 14 - U.S. 8th Air Force launches 291 B-17 bombers and 60 B-24 bombers to attack the Schweinfurt ball bearing plants in Germany; the 60 B-24 bombers are diverted to another target. The United States loses 77 bombers and one fighter escort, while 38 Luftwaffe fighters are shot down.

1944

Oct. 14 - German Gen. Erwin Rommel, nicknamed "the Desert Fox," is given the option of facing a public trial for treason, as a co-conspirator in the plot to assassinate Adolf Hitler, or taking cyanide. He chooses the latter.

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

Benelux MPs train, feel the pain

Benelux military police officers learned to react in case they get squirted in the face with pepper spray, Friday, Oct. 3, 2014, on Chièvres Air Base. Every trainee got sprayed to understand the effects of oleoresin capsicum, or OC, spray, commonly known as pepper spray, and how to work through an arrest after being sprayed. Despite the painful effects, they had to demonstrate their ability to defend themselves and neutralize an assailant while disoriented and temporarily blinded.



(Clockwise from background photo) Sgt. Amanda J. Brown gets doused in the face with pepper spray. • Spc. Austin D. Peck blocks attacks with his forearms. • Sgt. Gregory Hubbard handcuffs a suspects • Sgt. Charles T. Yates defends himself with "elbow kicks." • Sgt. Gregory B. Hubbard strikes back with a PR-24 baton. • Sgt. Amanda J. Brown repels an assailant with knee kicks. • Spc. Austin D. Peck tries to relieve the pain from the pepper spray by rinsing his face with water. (U.S. Army photos by Donovan Abrassart)





Preparing Army Communities Today for the Hazards of Tomorrow

BE INFORMED ▶ MAKE A PLAN ▶ BUILD A KIT ▶ GET INVOLVED

Ready Army campaign recommends emergency kits for home, office, car

Supplement home kit with portable versions

Army personnel and their families should be prepared for any emergency by making multiple emergency kits for different areas, according to officials from Ready Army, the Department of the Army's emergency-preparedness campaign.

Other emergency kits, such as portable, office or vehicle kits, should supplement Army personnel's home-based emergency kit and should also continue to maintain a basic level of preparedness for all potential hazards.

"Emergencies can happen at any time and you or your family may not be home when they do," said John Hopper, the USAG Benelux-Schinnen emergency manager. "Having a home emergency

'Emergencies can happen at any time, and you or your family may not be home when they do.'

kit is not enough. Other kits could be useful whether you have to shelter in place at work or evacuate."

When planning other emergency kits, remember:

- A portable emergency kit should contain items similar to a home emergency kit, but a portable kit should be smaller and easy to carry. Consider adding enough supplies to last two weeks and place the kit in a designated area that will be easily accessible in an emergency.

- An office emergency kit should contain at least food, water and a first-aid kit and kept at your work station in case of evacuation. Other items to include are comfortable walking shoes and your family's communication plan.

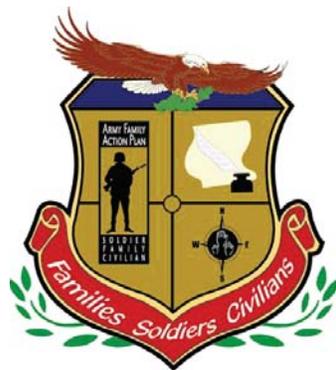
- A vehicle emergency kit should contain food, water, a first-aid kit, signal flares, jumper cables, seasonal clothing and your family's communication plan in case you are stranded while driving.

AFAP

Volunteer as delegate at conference

Volunteer delegates from the Benelux communities are needed for the Army Family Action Plan conference at SHAPE Army Community Service Nov. 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

AFAP is an Army-wide program that allows all members of the Army (Active Duty, Reserve Components and National Guard), retired military, family members and civilian employees to identify issues of concern that impact the well-being of the entire Army family.



AFAP is an avenue for members of America's military family to express their quality-of-life concerns directly to senior

leadership and work together to find solutions.

Issues requiring actions are prioritized, assigned to a lead agency for resolution, and an action plan is established to achieve desired change.

Delegates can earn volunteer hours and be part of making the community a better place. Volunteers should call:

- Brussels: DSN 368-9721 or civilian 02-7179721;

- Schinnen: DSN 360-7452 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437452;

- SHAPE/Chièvres: DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824.

However, you don't have to be a delegate to be part of the Army Family Action Plan process:

Submit your concerns in an email message marked "Subject: 2014 AFAP Conference Issues" to usarmy.benelux.imcom-europe.mbx.dfmwr-acsc@mail.mil or drop them off at your local Army Community Service office.

Hispanic heritage, contributions honored at USAG Benelux observance

by **Andrea Wales**

USAG Benelux Public Affairs Office

“Hispanic-Americans are proud Americans,” said Navy Cmdr. Luis “Raul” Eliza, a native of Puerto Rico who spoke at the National Hispanic Heritage Month on Caserne Daumerie in Chièvres Oct. 7. Eliza is deputy, National Military Representative for Maritime Operations at SHAPE.

Every day, 53 million Americans of Hispanic heritage contribute to American society, including many Hispanics serving in the military, he said.

“Like them, we serve our country to preserve our way of life, the American way of life,” Eliza said. “I wear this uniform to provide that safety so all Americans can live the American Dream.”

He expressed his gratitude for the opportunity his children have to pursue the American dream.

“That American dream is our belief that – if we work hard, do the right things and treat others with respect and dignity – we’ll be able to live a safe, comfortable life,” he said.

He offered a few pieces of advice to members of the audience:

Eliza asked his fellow Spanish speakers, or anyone who can speak another language, to “celebrate that you are bilingual, but be sensitive to those who don’t speak our language. Speaking Spanish in the presence of folks who don’t speak Spanish is divisive and makes people feel uncomfortable. NATO may be a little different with all those nationalities together, but, once you get back home, please be sensitive to that.”

He stressed that it’s not law, “just my understanding of common courtesy.”

“All of you, be proud of your heritage and enjoy the best of it, but don’t limit yourselves to a group of people with your same background,” Eliza said. “Expand your horizons, interact with other cultures. Experience something different, and you’ll soon realize that we are all the same – proud Americans serving our country.”



Andrea Wales

Navy Cmdr. Luis “Raul” Eliza addresses the crowd at the National Hispanic Heritage Month observance on Caserne Daumerie in Chièvres Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2014.



Andrea Wales



Pierre Courtejoie

At left, Marilyn Brulez demonstrates several Hispanic dances Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2014, during the National Hispanic Heritage Month observance on Caserne Daumerie in Chièvres. • Above, members of the Benelux work force watch a film that was part of the National Hispanic Heritage Month observance. On the screen is Mexican-American musical sensation Ritchie Valens, best known for “La Bamba.”

Halloween briefs - Halloween briefs - Halloween briefs

Haunted Clinic

"Enter if you dare." The SHAPE Healthcare Facility will be transformed into the "Haunted Clinic" Oct. 17 and 18 from 6 to 11 p.m. "All victims are welcome." Parental guidance advised. Admission: €5.

Trunk or Treat

Take your little monsters to a "spooktacular" Halloween event, Trunk or Treat, Oct. 31.

Now's the time to reserve a spot if you will be giving out treats.

Brussels - Join the USAG Benelux-Brussels community for the 2014 Autumn Fest/Trunk or Treat.

If you wish to decorate a vehicle trunk, you can sign up at DSN 368-9724 or civilian 02-7179724.

Contests: Jack-o'-lantern contest (pre-carved pumpkin), children's costume contest and a tater-tot eating contest. (Sign up in advance at the 3 Star for the tater-tot contest. Limit: five participants.)

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

Chièvres - Trunk or Treat on Chièvres Air Base will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. between the PXtra and Chièvres Army Lodging.

SHAPE ID card holders just have to show their identification card, and they will be granted access to Chièvres Air Base.

USAG Benelux host-nation employees who would like to take their families to this event, must provide the following information on family members who are 16 and older to the appropriate point of contact by Oct. 23: first name, last name and relationship to HN employee.

Other guests must provide the following information to the appropriate point of contact by Oct. 23: first name, last name, nationality, date of birth, ID card number, vehicle type and plate number as well as a certificate of good conduct, which must be an original one dated less than 12 months ago.

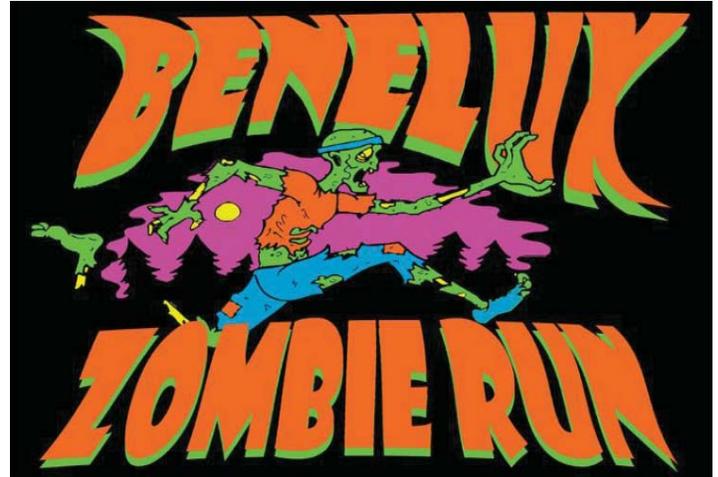
Points of contact can be reached at DSN 361-5290 or civilian 068-275290 (Directorate of Public Works), DSN 361-5142 or civilian 068-275142 (405th Army Field Support Brigade), or DSN 361-5430 or civilian 068-275430 (Directorate of Resource Management).

Schinnen - Trunk or Treat will be held by the pavilion from 6 to 8 p.m. Spooky Bowling will be at the Schinnen Bowling Center from 7 to 10 p.m.

Open to U.S. and NATO ID card holders and guests. Dutch guests register at civilian +31 (0) 46-4437331.

Reserve a table or a space for your car: You supply 400 individually wrapped pieces of candy, and, when you run out, Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, or FMWR, will backfill your table or trunk with additional treats.

To find out more about Schinnen Trunk or Treat, or to reserve a table or space, call the Schinnen Fitness Center at DSN 360-7561 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437561. For questions about Spooky Bowling, call the Schinnen Bowling Center at DSN 360-7207 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437207.



Zombie Runs

"Run for your life — or your next meal." Zombie Runs (in which participants run as "human survivors" or "members of the undead") are scheduled in the Benelux.

Brussels - Zombie Run is set for Oct. 25 from 9 a.m. to noon. Register at the Brussels Fitness Center through Oct. 22. Find out more or register by calling DSN 368-9667 or civilian 02-7179667.

SHAPE/Chièvres - Zombie Run will take place at SHAPE Events Centre Oct. 24 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. If you have questions, contact the Chièvres Fitness Center at DSN 361-5643 or civilian 068-275643.

Story Time has Halloween theme

Celebrate the Halloween season at the library.

Brussels - Children's Story Time at Brussels Library will be filled with autumn- and Halloween-themed books this month Wednesdays from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. The library is located at USAG Benelux Brussels on the first floor of Building 4.

Preschoolers and their parents are welcome to join the library staff for stories and crafts:

- Oct. 15 - "Fall Ball;"
 - Oct. 22 - "Miss Smith and the Haunted Library;" and
 - Oct. 29 - Halloween Celebration: Wear your costume.
- To find out more, call DSN 368-9791 or civilian 02-7179791.

SHAPE - Story Time at SHAPE International Library is taking a break. Story Time won't be offered Oct. 14. Toddler Story Time will resume in the Children's Room Oct. 21 at 10 a.m., and Preschool Story Time will resume in the Study Room Oct. 21 at 4:15 p.m.:

- Oct. 21 - "Love You More Than Anything," which is set in the autumn (Toddler), and "The Spider and the Fly" (Preschool); and
- Oct. 28 - "What's Your Sound, Hound the Hound?" (Toddler) and "Dear Vampa" (Preschool).

For more information about library programs, call the SHAPE Library at DSN 423-5631 or civilian 065-445631 or Chièvres Library at DSN 361-5767 or civilian 068-275767, or check the libraries' website at <http://chievres.armymwr.com/europe/chievres/>.

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Job fairs' online registration begins

Online registration for the EUCOM Job Fairs and Transition Summits is now available at <http://www.uschamberfoundation.org/event/eucom>.

The two events are scheduled to begin on Nov. 3 at Ramstein Air Base, Germany and on Nov. 6 at Grafenwoehr, Germany.

The events, which are in association with Hiring Our Heroes, will feature seminars, round tables, panel events, recruiter training, and facilitated discussions focused on improving competitive employment for service members, veterans, and their spouses in addition to networking opportunities.

Brussels clinics undergo renovations

The Brussels Health and Dental Clinics will be undergoing renovations from Oct. 10 to 19. During this time, the medical clinic will provide limited appointment availability for same-day acute illness/injuries only. There will be no immunization clinic services. The pharmacy and patient liaison services will be unaffected. Due to renovations in the medical records room, check in for medical appointments will be at the dental clinic, and there will be no access to medical records. There is no change to clinic phone numbers during the renovations.

The dental clinic will be closed for the duration of the renovations.

Dental sick call will be provided at SHAPE Dental Clinic. Contact the SHAPE Dental Clinic at DSN 423-5806 or civilian 065-445806.

For emergency dental care, call UZ Sint Rafael Dental Clinic at 016332480, located at Kapucijnenvoer 33, 3000 Leuven, weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Forward any questions to the clinic at DSN 566-1515 or civilian 02-6861515.

SHAPE library closes for improvements

The SHAPE International Library will be closed for three weeks from Nov. 10 to 29 for the installation of new carpeting. The library will reopen Dec. 1.

Library staff chose that particular time period because several holidays fall within that period, and the library would be closed on those holidays anyway.

During the closure, patrons may return items in the outside drop box and renew online. Chièvres Library also can help you with your library needs during this time.

CYSS camp for middle schoolers

Give your middle schoolers something to do over the autumn school break at Youth Center All Saints Camp in SHAPE's Building 503 Oct. 27 to 31 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Exercise your brain and your creativity at the CYSS "Build It" Camp over All Saints break!

CYSS annual registration is required prior to registration. Sign up at Parent Central in Building 503 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Payments are accepted in both dollars and euros. Euros are based on a set monthly exchange rate. For more info call Parent Central at DSN 423-6039 or civilian 065-446039, or the Youth Centre at DSN 423-6104 or 065-446104.

Girl Scouts

The Girl Scout mission is "Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence and character, who make the world a better place," according to the Girl Scouts of the USA website at <https://www.girlscouts.org>. Troop levels are available for girls in kindergarten through high school. Contact shape-girlscouts@usagso-na.org for more information.

Other GSUSA scouting organizations in the area can be reached through gsmembership@usagso-na.org.

Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law, according to its website at <http://www.scouting.org>.

Boy Scout Troop 325 meets in the green gym on SHAPE Mondays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. For more information, contact shapetroop325@gmail.com. Parents of boys interested in Cub Scouts and Webelos ("We'll be loyal Scouts") should contact shapecubpack325@gmail.com.

Contact Schinnen area Cub Scouts at TAC.PACK100@gmail.com.

Other BSA scouting organizations in the area can be reached through scoutingmembership@gmail.com.

Venturing: BSA's co-ed program

Venturing is a youth-development program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women who are 13 and have completed the eighth grade, or age 14 through 20, according to <http://www.scouting.org/Venturing>.

Venturing provides the skills needed for young adults to make ethical choices, experience a fun program full of adventure and challenges, acquire leadership skills, and to take advantage of opportunities to advance their skills and knowledge in the areas of high adventure, sports, arts, hobbies, and religious life, according to the BSA Venturing website.

For more information, contact Venturing Crew 511 at venturingcrew511@outlook.be or through its Facebook page. Go to <https://www.facebook.com> and type "Venturing Crew 511 - Charlemagne District" into the search engine.

Other BSA scouting organizations in the area can be reached through scoutingmembership@gmail.com.

Employment classes now online

If you want to learn how to get a federal job but don't have time to come to the Ten Steps to a Federal Job class, you can now sign up for an online version and do it on your own time on your own computer.

The information found in this easy training can get you started on a career in the federal government.

Register at Schinnen Army Community Service, and sign a disclosure form. You will then be given a user name and password as well as the link to the training.

Get more information about employment classes by calling DSN 360-7269 or +31 (0) 46-4437269, or stopping by the Employment Readiness Office at Schinnen Army Community Service.



Read about events near Chièvres, SHAPE and Brussels.

Oct. 9

- **Brussels museums' late openings** - Six to eight museums welcome you every Thursday evening.



The Nocturnes are opportunities to (re)discover the cultural richness of Brussels. Enjoy guided tours, drawing activities and animations of all sorts in the permanent collections and temporary exhibitions from more than 60 museums. For more information and/or a detailed program and calendar, check <http://www.brussel museumsnocturnes.be>.

Oct. 10 to 12

- **Fall fair in La Louvière** - Fair for everything related to services, savor and well-being at the La Louvière Expo on Rue du Hocquet 7 every day from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- **BatiCentre in La Louvière** - Get ideas and tips on everything related to the house, inside and outside, at the La Louvière Expo on Rue du Hocquet 7 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. every day.

Oct. 11

- **Beatles Day in Mons** - Non-stop concerts, collectors market, discs' fair, exhibitions, etc. from 10 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. at the Lotto Mons Expo on Avenue Thomas Edison 2. Admission: €16. Get more information at <http://www.beatlesday.be>.
- **Book fair in Mons** on Rampe du Château 2 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Oct. 11 to 12

- **Celtic festival in Tertre** - Besides music, enjoy a craftmarket and taste local products. Open Saturday from 3 to 11:30 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Admission: €7. Obtain more information at <http://www.interceltiquesaintghislain.be>.

Oct. 12

- **Farmers market in Saint-Ghislain** - Open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the Place des Combattants.



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

Through Oct. 11

- **Fall Fair in Giessenburg** at De Graanbuurt, Doetseweg 34 to 51, offers a variety of products to help you enjoy life. Open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Oct. 9 to 12

- **Military Boekelo in Usselo** near Enschede on Broekmaatweg is an equestrian event with participation of the world's top horsemen and women. Visitors can also browse the Military Fall Fair, one of the Netherlands' largest country fairs. Open Oct. 9, 10 and 12 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Oct. 11 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. You will find more information, including a complete program, at <http://www.military-boekelo.nl>.



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Oct. 10 to 12

- **Tuindagen van Beervelde in Beervelde, Belgium**, is a garden fair held at the Beervelde Domain and Park. Besides the many plants and flowers, there will be decorations and antiques for your garden. Open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: €10.
- **Antiques & Flea Market in Ciney, Belgium**, is held at Ciney Expo, Rue du Marché Couvert. The indoor antique market is open from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and the outdoor flea market is open from 2 to 7 p.m.
- **Jeker Jazz Festival in Maastricht** in the city center starts at noon.
- **Hunting Lodge Fair in de Molenhoek near Nijmegen** is held at Jachtslot de Mookerheide Estate. It is a unique outdoor-and-lifestyle fair with many activities, such as falconry, Scottish pipe band, animals, demonstrations and more. Open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: €10; children (4 to 12) €5.

Oct. 11, 18 and 25

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



Oct. 12 continued

- **Volksmarch in Onnezies** for 5, 10, 15, 20 km. Departs from Rue des Jonquilles 24 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Neufvilles** for 5, 10, 20 km. Departs from Rue de la Gage 64 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Meslin-Evêque** for 5, 10, 20 km. Departs from the square from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Petit-Enghien** for 5, 10, 15, 20 km. Departs from the square from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Nivelles** for 5, 10, 15, 20 km. Departs from Rue de Sotriamont from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Apple fest in Lessines** - Visit the Brewery Jean Tout Seul from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., taste the Trompeuse beer, and discover how it is brewed. Horse-drawn



carriage ride from the square of Bois-de-Lessines to the brewery with departures every hour from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fee: €2. Free donkey rides from 2 to 6 p.m. Vintage car rally from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

- **Urban trail in Mons** - Enjoy sport, tourism and culture at the same time. Enjoy a 10-km route while passing buildings like the Royal Theater, the Bell Tower and its garden, and many other historical buildings. Registration starts at 8 a.m. at the Saint-Luc school on Rue Saint-Luc. Save time and complete the registration form available at <http://prod.chronorace.be>. Be early because space is limited. Participation fee: €30.

Oct. 15 to 26

- **The Jazz Club in Dinant** - Reconstitution of a 1920s jazz club that can host 100 people at cabaret tables. The history of the saxophone will be narrated by Stephane Mercier (sax) and Charles Loos (piano) in the form of a concert. Jacques Mercier will play the part of the barman-storyteller. They will be only 20 presentations. Get more information at <http://www.070.be>.

Oct. 16

- **Brussels museums' late openings** - For more information and/or a detailed program and calendar, check <http://www.brusselmuseumsnocturnes.be>.



Oct. 11 to 12

- **Historic Old Crafts Market in Kempen, Germany**, has demonstrations and activities in the town center.
- **Fall Market in Leichlingen, Germany**, is held at Castle Eicherhof on Eicherhof 13. Open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: €2.
- **Curiosa Market in Vuren** is held in the 200-year-old tower of the Fortress Vuren, Waaldijk 29 and has many international vendors. The fortress is situated along the river Waal. Open both days from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Admission: €2.50; children - free admission.

Oct. 12

- **Proud Fair in Baarn** is held at Castle Groeneveld at Groeneveld 2. The participants are all proud of their products and offer them to those who appreciate natural products. Open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- **Mill Fest in Brügggen am Niederrhein, Germany**, is held at and around the Brachter Mill. Visitors will find a filled program with lots of things to do and see. Opens at 11 a.m.
- **Flea Market in Brunssum** is held at the JFC Sports Complex from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **Art Market in Düsseldorf-Eller, Germany**, is held at Gertrudisplatz. Open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Records & CD Fair/Computer and Photography Fair in Hasselt, Belgium**, is held at Grenslanthalen, Gouverneur Verwilghensingel. Open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission: € 6; children 11 and under - free admission.
- **Crafts & Flea Market in Kalkar, Germany**, is held in the town center on Market Square.
- **Römermarkt in Lengerich, Germany**, held in the center of town, is a mix of art, action, and food and drink.
- **Bokkemert in Valkenburg** is a traditional annual market held in the town center. Open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Oct. 17

- **Oyster Market in Elsene, Belgium**, at La Quincaille, Rue du Page 45, marks the opening of the oyster season. Open from 5 to 9 p.m. Admission: between €3 and €20.



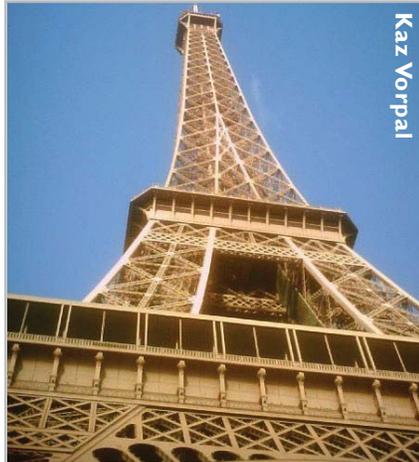
Oct. 17 to 22

- **Oktoberfest in Sittard** takes place in tents and the town center with parade (Oct. 17 at 2 p.m.), fair, fireworks, live music and more. Tents have admission fee.

SHAPE Trips & Tours

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

Paris in the Fall, Oct. 18 – Spend a day in the most romantic city in the world. Some say that autumn is the best time of the year to visit Paris. Don't miss the Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe, Louvre or Paris Catacombs. At about 20 meters underground, the Paris Catacombs house the remains of 6 million Parisians that were transferred there beginning in 1787. Enjoy a meal at a sidewalk café and take in the colors of autumn. Departs from Brussels Saturday at 6 a.m. and from SHAPE at 7 p.m. Arrives at SHAPE at 11:30 p.m. and at Brussels Sunday at 12:30 a.m. Cost: €55.



Schinnen Trips and Tours

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

Family Day Trout Fishing, Oct. 11 - Take the family for a day of trout fishing. Departs from the Memories Lane Lounge (Building 41) in Schinnen at 7:30 a.m. (Be at the lounge 15 minutes early.) Returns to Schinnen at 1:30 p.m. Transportation and cleaning of the trout is included. No rods or reels provided, and all trout caught will be evenly distributed. Cost: \$35.

SHAPE Travel Group

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

Best of Belgium, Oct. 14 - Experience the Best of Belgium. The group will begin the day with a tour and tasting at the Jules Destrooper cookie factory. Afterward, the group will make its way to the Sint Sixtus Abbey (Westvleteren) where there will be a short tour of the Claustrum, followed by a lunch in De Vrede where members of the group will enjoy a bowl of soup, a sandwich, small salad and their drink of choice. You can order one of the most awarded beers of the world, and take some home with you. Next, the group will continue on to Bruges with a stop at the Kantcentrum (lace center) to see a demonstration of how they made the famous Bruges bobbin lace and still make lace today. You will then have a few hours to see some of the renowned Flemish paintings at the Groeningemuseum, enjoy moules frites (mussels and fries) at a nearby restaurant or walk with the group to chocolateries in Bruges. Cost: €45 (lunch and tours).

Upcoming trips

SHAPE Trips & Tours

- **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**



- **Champagne and Wine Tasting In Reims Champagne Region, Nov. 29 to 30: Sign up by Oct. 31.**
- **Christmas Market Overnight- Nürnberg, Rothenburg and Cologne, Dec. 13 to 14**
- **Paris in Winter: Paris Day Trip, Dec. 27**
- **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, Natura Park, Plugster, Pottery House, Site du Grand-Hornu, Thuin L'Abbaye d' Aulne, Thuin-Le Belfroi and Walibi.**

Schinnen Trips & Tours

- **Day Trip to Paris, Nov. 22**
- **Cologne Christmas Markets, Dec. 6**
- **Express Shopping Trip to London, Dec. 13**

SHAPE Travel Group

- **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

Oct. 9

- **Family Dinner at 3 Star** - Family Dinner is offered Thursdays from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Oct. 9 is Asian Night: stir-fry noodles with chicken, or pork adobo with rice, Reservations are required: Call DSN 368-9680 or civilian 02-7179680. Pay in American dollars. Cost: Adults \$8, children 12 and under - \$5.

Oct. 11

- **Duathlon** - This event, which starts at the Brussels Fitness Center at 9 a.m. and goes until noon, tests your stamina: It's a 5-km run, 10 km on a bicycle, then another 5-km run. Find out if you have what it takes. To register for this event, sign up at the Brussels Fitness Center or call DSN 368-9667 or civilian 02-7179667.

Oct. 14 to 17

- **Welcome, newcomers** - Brussels Army Community Service invites all service members, civilians and their families to participate in free newcomers events next week. Oct. 14: Supermarket Guided Tour is conducted from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Oct. 15: The deputy garrison manager's welcome and USAG Benelux-Brussels site brief start at 9 a.m. and are followed by a cultural acclimatization (information on local customs as well as basic French and Flemish), which ends at 12:30 p.m. Oct. 16: Hospital Guided Tour is conducted from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Oct. 17: Metro Madness (in which newcomers learn to use public transportation) runs from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Meet in the ACS conference room in Building 4 half an hour before start time to get settled, get a snack or get ready to leave as a group for a tour, if applicable. Register by calling DSN 368-9783 or civilian 02-7179783.

Oct. 16

- **Job-search training** - Brussels Army Community Service's Employment Readiness Program sponsors employment-search training. Interviewing/Dress for Success Workshop will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Résumé-writing workshops will be held in the ACS Conference Room in Building 4 Nov. 20 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Registration is required. Call ACS at DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824.
- **Mad Science Club** - The School Age Center is the site of strange experiments from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Join other "mad scientists" every Tuesday for "You Must Be Mad!" experiments. Register through Parent Central Services at Brussels Headquarters in Building 3, or call DSN 368-9651 or civilian 02-7179651.
- **Family Dinner at 3 Star** - Family Dinner is offered Thursdays from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Oct. 16 is Fish and chips, Reservations required: Call DSN 368-9680 or civilian 02-7179680. Cost: Adults \$8, children 12 and under - \$5.

SCHINNEN/BRUNSSUM COMMUNITY

Oct. 10

- **Hispanic Heritage Month** - Coast Guard Activities Europe is having a Chili Cook-off and Movie Day in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month in the American Room on the third floor of the Chapel on JFC Brunssum. Cook-off is from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., and the movie, "Guardians of the Galaxy," which features Zoe Saldana (of Puerto Rican and Dominican descent), will begin at 1 p.m. in the Alliance Theatre. To find out more, call DSN 360-7652 or civilian +31(0) 46-4437652.

Oct. 11

- **Fire Prevention Week fun** - Be at the Schinnen Exchange between 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. for fire-prevention fun for the family. Meet the Schinnen Volunteer Fire Department, and tour their fire truck. Children can have a go at using a fire hose, and adults can try out the fire extinguisher. The Exchange is having a coloring contest for age groups 2 to 5 and 6 to 10, and children 11 to 16 can create a poster based on the 2014 theme "Smoke alarms save lives: Test yours every month!" Prizes for each category will include a printed T-shirt. The Schinnen Fire Prevention Office has giveaways for the children, and Morale, Welfare and Recreation will provide a bouncy castle. Questions can be directed to the Schinnen Fire Prevention Office at DSN 360-7230 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437230.

Oct. 12

- **Flea Market** - Take your unused stuff and sell it from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the JFC Sports Complex in Brunssum. Reserve a table at the Sports Complex daily from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call DSN 364-2055 or civilian +31 (0) 45-5262055.

Oct. 16

- **Happy birthday, BOSS!** - Celebrate the 25th birthday of Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers by stopping by the Schinnen Activity Center from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event is open to all U.S. military members. For more information, contact DSN 360-7463 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437463.

SCHINNEN/BRUNSSUM COMMUNITY continued

Register by Oct. 15

- **Racquetball tourney** - Tri-Border Triple Threat Racquetball Tournament for Brunssum, Geilenkirchen and Schinnen will be Oct. 18 starting at 9:30 a.m. at Andre Bruls Fitness Center on Schinnen. Rule adjustment will be applied if needed, and the top 3 players will be recognized. Contact the Andre Bruls Fitness Center at DSN 360-7561 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437561, or usarmy.schinnen.imcom-europe.list.schinnen-fc@mail.mil.

SHAPE/CHIEVRES COMMUNITY

Oct. 10

- **SHAPE band plays in Mons** - The SHAPE International Band will perform in the sixth annual Friendship Concert at the Royal Theater of Mons at 8 p.m. The concert is designed to reinforce the close links between the communities of the Mons Region and SHAPE/NATO. A shuttle bus will travel to and from SHAPE. Admission is free. However, you must make a ticket reservation at <http://www.shape2day.com>.

Oct. 14, 21, 28

- **Lunch and Learn** - Offered by Army Community Service's Family Advocacy Program, Lunch and Learn meets Tuesdays in the SHAPE ACS Training Room in Building 318 from noon to 1 p.m. The military family-life consultant presents a variety of topics – Oct. 14: Life in Balance, Oct. 21: Effects of Extended Daylight and Darkness, and Oct. 28: The Three C's of Communication. Brown-bag it, and join the discussion group. For information or to register, call DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824.

Oct. 16

- **U.S. Town Hall and Information Fair** - Meet with community leaders and agencies to ask questions and receive information at the U.S. Town Hall and Information Fair in the SHAPE Events Centre from 3 to 6 p.m. Community members can visit booths at the information fair from 3 to 4 p.m. and from 5 to 6 p.m. The town-hall meeting and question-and-answer session will run from 4 to 5 p.m. Food and flu immunizations will be available. Open to all American service members, civilian employees and family members. For more information about the U.S. Town Hall and Information Fair, contact the U.S. National Military Representative, or USNMR, at DSN 423-4032 or civilian 065-444032.

Oct. 18

- **Family Fun Night** - Chièvres Fitness Center hosts Family Fun Night to offer parents and children an opportunity to play and meet new friends. The event, which runs 5:30 to 9 p.m., is also open to SHAPE ID card holders. Admission: \$3. Skate rental: \$5. (Limited sizes and quantities available.) Register by calling DSN 361-5643 or civilian 068-275643.

Community Roundup

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 the new web page at <http://www.shopmyexchange.com/reel-time-theatres/Schinnen-1366146> for the movie schedule.



KEEPING YOU CONNECTED

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SHAPE 106.5 FM,
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