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Brussels Softball

USAG Brussels Sports and Fitness Center is now accepting team rosters for its 2012 Adult Intramural Softball League. The season begins May 30. To sign your team up or for more information contact the USAG Brussels Fitness Center at DSN 368-9667 or civilian 02-717-9667.

Safety Stand Down

The USAG Benelux Safety Office is organizing a safety stand down day on May 3. The event will be held at the Community Recreation Center (CRC), Hangar 4, Chièvres Air Base, from 9 a.m. through noon. More information page 13.

OHA Survey

U.S. Army Europe's Overseas Housing Allowance Survey's deadline has been extended until May 11. Spouses are authorized to take the survey if the service member is deployed.
To complete the survey visit www.eur.army.mil and click on Hot Topics.

Celebrating 45 Years

A display celebrating 45 years of U.S. presence in the Benelux is set up at bldg. 30 Causerne Daumerie in the main foyer.

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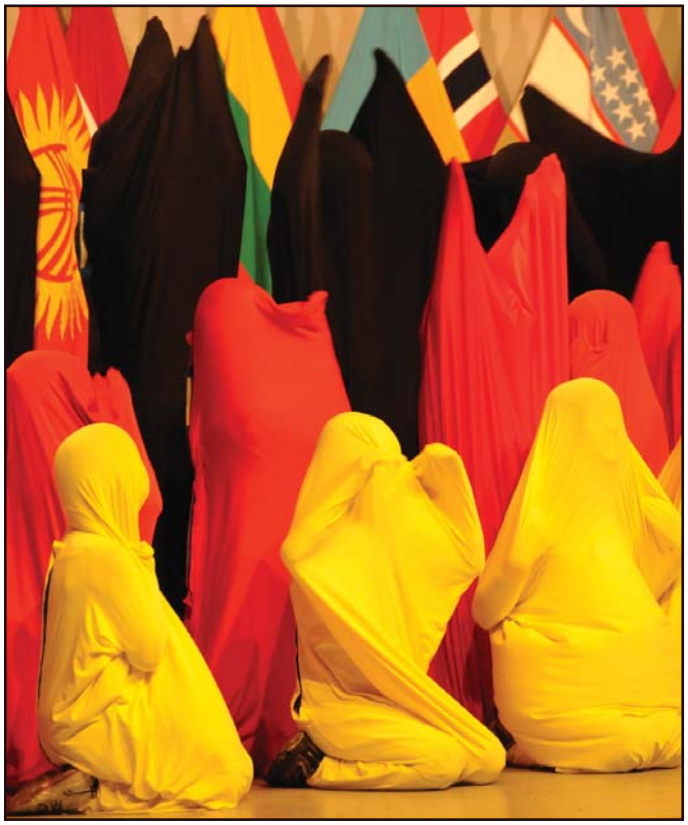
Hunter Peterson leads off the relay during the SHAPE Track and Field Meet Saturday, April 28, 2012 at Chièvres Air Base. Athletes from bases around Europe competed and attempted to qualify for the European Championships. Teams included SHAPE, Ramstein, Brussels, St. John's (Waterloo), Wiesbaden and Frankfurt.

Keith Houin

World Children's Day



Children from the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE) celebrated World Children's Day Friday, April 27, 2012 at the SHAPE Cinema. World Children's Day is a Turkish tradition that was brought to SHAPE thirteen years ago in an effort to inspire and acknowledge our future generations. It is still coordinated by the Turkish high command at SHAPE and sanctioned by the International School Administration. Before the afternoon program began, the children were invited to an outdoor international luncheon, then ushered indoors to begin the three hour long program. The children performed for a standing room only audience. This year the nations and groups that took part were: CYSS Ballet School, United Kingdom, Spain, Hungary, Norway, Latvia, Turkey, Greece, Croatia, Canada, Poland, United States, Slovenia, Bulgaria, Italy, Romania, France, Denmark, Netherlands, Germany, Russia, and Belgium. The program ended with an international chorus led by Canadian teacher, Janelle Matice. (left) German children create a German to classical music. (above) Danish children perform a popular children's story set to music. (photos by Keith Houin)

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‘Six Characters' Tops at the Toppers!

Special to the Gazette

The SHAPE Players’ production of Luigi Pirandello’s '*Six Characters In Search Of An Author*' was the winner of the 2012 Installation Command Group-Europe Topper for Best Drama. This is the third consecutive time that the SHAPE Players have won a Best Production award winning in 2010 the Best Musical for '*Anyone Can Whistle*', 2011 for Best Comedy for Tartuffe and now winning Best Drama in 2012.

The SHAPE Players’ '*Six Characters In Search Of An Author*' in a new adaptation by Dan LaMorte, Entertainment Director premiered on March 15 for eight performances at the SHAPE Performing Arts Center. This classic play by Luigi Pirandello written in 1921, premiered in the same year at the Teatro Valie in Rome, Italy, and created a tumultuous response with shouts from the audience of "Manicomio!" ("Madhouse!"). However, the reception to this revolutionary new work was reversed at subsequent performances when Pirandello himself wrote an article enlightening the audience to the originality and depth of his work and then the response became an overwhelming ‘Brava’!

SHAPE Players’ *Six Characters* was nominated for 22 awards receiving nominations in all possible categories and multiple acting nominations as well as a Special Topper Award for Original Music Composition by Jim Rossiter who created a beautiful melodic underscoring for the production as well as Technical Toppers awards for Best Set and Best Technical Director.

The production also garnered Toppers for Best Ensemble, Best Featured Actor, Matt Howard, Best Supporting Actor, Craig Larsen, Best Actress, Melyssa Gomez and Best Director, Dan LaMorte.

LaMorte was also the distinguished recipient of the James T. Martin award, which is given for lifetime achievements in the Army Recreation field to entertainment directors who are accomplished, created new innovative programs, established new precedents and been acknowledged nationally. LaMorte has been the only entertainment director to have brought three productions to the American Association of Community Theatre’s (AACT) National competitions held every two years in 2007, 2009 and 2011, won three consecutive Best Production Awards at the Toppers in 2010, 2011 and 2012 as well as touring his award winning production of the musical *The Last Five Years* to the Liverpool Theatre Festival in 2004.

The SHAPE Performing Arts Center has been awarded two IMCOM Recreation Awards for its Program and Facility and he was awarded ‘Employee of the Year’ after his second year as entertainment director after completing a renovation of the auditorium, doubling the audience and income and establishing new inventive programs.

LaMorte is also the youngest recipient of this award after only serving six years as entertainment director where generally the award is given to those who have been in the position for omore than 15 years.

“I am very proud to be in such great company every day that I go to work, I am fortunate to learn and grow with the incredible talent that we have here at SHAPE, LaMorte said. "If our programs are successful it is a tribute to the hard work, dedication and creative talents of the volunteers who grace our stage and facility. I hope that more of the community will be a part of our programming and see our productions. We are here to better our life experience on SHAPE and what better way is there then to be a part of a ‘living environment’ that the culture of theater and community involvement can create.”

If you have never seen a production of the SHAPE Players then you won’t want to miss Carlo Collodi’s '*The Adventures of Pinocchio*' newly adapted and directed by Anthony Del Rosso opening March 24th for 12 performances. Check out www.SHAPEplayers.org for times, dates and ticket information.

Other Topper Nominees from SHAPE

Best Makeup
Best Hair and Wig Design, Gwendolyn Whitney
Best Sound, Art Ross
Best Lighting, Olivier Galloo and Thomas Reich
Best House Management
Best Costume Design, Shannon Egbert
Best Properties, Adrienne Gammons
Best Poster Design, Anthony Del Rosso
Best Set Painting, Adrienne Gammons and Thomas Reich
Best Stage Manager, Gwendolyn Whitney
Best Debut in a Play, Nathan Belarmino
Best Actress in a Featured Role, Melissa Dunlap and Kayla Montag
Best Actor in a Featured Role, Chris Belarmino, Tracy Gittins
Best Supporting Actress, Jill Belarmino
Best Actor, Anthony Del Rosso

Annual Volunteer Awards Winners Announced

Brussels

Volunteer of the Year
Dejan Risteski

Volunteer Family of the Year
The Alexander family

Youth volunteer of the Year
Anya Shelton

Military volunteers of the Year
Spc. Mark Seabolt and
Petty Officer 1st Class David Patterson

Organization of the year
Tricia Hannigan and Angie Anderson of
the Brussels Consignment Shop

Tender Heart awardee
Cherie Shulte

Chièvres/SHAPE

Volunteer of the Year
Dorothea Thompson

Volunteer Family Member of the Year
Kerry Leake

Volunteer Service Member of the Year
Master Sgt. Quest Eperjesi

Volunteer Retiree of the Year
Gerald Racz

Schinnen

Family Volunteer of the Year
1st Sgt. William & Lashana Howell

Youth Volunteer of the Year
Kadi Howell

Family Member Volunteer of the Year
Lisa Walker

Military Volunteer of the Year
Spc. Ronald Chausse

Civilian Volunteer of the Year
Nowy van Hedel

Changes to dental care for SHAPE/Chièvres

By Col. Michael L. Roberts
SHAPE Dental Clinic Commander

Personnel changes and current staff shortages at the SHAPE Dental Treatment Facilitywil alter the delivery of dental care to the SHAPE / Chièvres military community until fall 2012.

All US Army Dental Clinics are staffed to maintain readiness of the Active Duty population assigned to the facility. Reduced staffing at the SHAPE Dental Clinic currently dictates that most appointments go to maintain the dental readiness of the local Active Duty population.

But family members of Active Duty and retirees are not left out altogether. Some services are still available. Walk-in sick call is available Monday to Friday from 8 to 9 a.m. for all categories of beneficiaries to stabilize patients with a dental emergency.

Family members of Active Duty will now be limited to one dental cleaning every twelve months. The American Dental Association standard of care is one cleaning every twelve months.

Further reductions in available care are possible due to mission and staffing.

Routine dental cleanings, exams and restorative dental care are currently not available to Retirees and their family members.

Orthodontic care is currently limited to existing patients until fall 2012, but a statement of non-availability will be provided upon request to seek care from a civilian provider.

Changes in availability of care will be announced in the Gazette and posted at the dental clinic.

A “Guidebook to Local Dental Care” is available to help TRICARE Dental Overseas enrolled patients and all others access dental care from local providers.

This handy booklet also offers expanded after-hours emergency information and helpful cultural hints to make your office visits more comfortable. Stop by the SHAPE Dental Clinic to pick up your guidebook during regular duty hours.

SHAPE students perform in Germany

Special to the Gazette

During the first week of April a group of music students from SHAPE American High School traveled to Germany to perform with the all-Europe Honor Band and Chorus.

The student were chosen from more than 320 students who auditioned by tape to specific music selceted by the judges. Students represented schools from the UK, Europe, Turkey and Bahrain. Students chosen from SHAPE were: Suzanne Parcell, Meghan Quigley, Erin Reich and Trevon Stith for choir and Freddy Townsend and Aaron Yip for the band.

The students traveled to Oberwesel, Germany April 1 and stayed in a youth hostel with all the other students selected for the concert.

They had several hours of intensive full-group and sectional rehearsals daily. Students were directed by Dr. Edith Copley from Northern Arizona University in the choir and Dr. Thomas V. Fraschillo from the University of Southern Mississippi for the band.

The directors were very talented not only in directing but also in teaching the students how to perform the music in the most professional manner that gave full disclosure of what the composers wanted.

On April 5 the students showed the results of all their hard work in a grand performance in the Kurhaus, a former elegant spa, in Wiesbaden, Germany. The concert was directly streamed out over the AFN radio and went immediately to the troops all over the world. The concert showcased the choir and band separately and ended with the two groups performing a combined finale "Armed Forces Salute – Pride of America" in honor of the Soldiers all over the world. All three segments were rewarded with spontaneous standing ovations for jobs well-done.

The entire affair can best be summed up by the thoughts of the participating students:

Suzanne Parcell: "This trip was honestly life-changing. Meeting a lot of the best singers and instrumentalist in DODEA. Everyone cared so much about the music and was so dedicated but had fun with it. Can't wait for next year!"

Meghan Quiqley: "Honors Chorus was an amazing experience. I learned so much and met so many amazing people. It was an unforgettable week. Messa di voce!"

Erin Reich: "Honors choir was one of the best experiences I have ever had. I loved being around so many people who loved music and I learned so much. It was one of the best experiences of my life!"

Trevon Stith: "It was an exciting experience. The best week of my life. I've never been surrounded by so much talent."

Freddy Townsend: "It was fantastic. One of the best experiences I've ever had. It was so much fun to be playing in a full band of such great players and learning so much from such a wonderful director."

Aaron Yip: "It was a wonderful experience. I learned many new things about music, including theory and technique. Also, I got to meet a lot of people who are culturally different from me. I definitely want to relive the experience again."

Soldiers, families visit concentration camp

By Sgt. Michael Reinsch
U.S. Army Europe Public Affairs

Europe is steeped in rich history and culture, and on April 17, more than 200 Soldiers and family members from U.S. Army in Europe got to witness that history during a Day of Remembrance tour to Dachau Concentration Camp in Germany.

The tour, sponsored by Europe Regional Medical Command, was part of a two-day event to give participants the opportunity to reflect on, and learn about, the Holocaust.

"It's one thing to hear and read about, it's another thing to actually go and know what happened in these places," said Sgt. Jamie Ray, preventive medicine noncommissioned officer for Europe Regional Medical Command in Heidelberg, Germany.

The part of the trip that made everything a reality for Ray was the crematorium, a place where thousands were killed and burned from 1933 to 1945. She said after reading the plaques on the wall she could imagine what those people went through.

"Just looking, you can only imagine what it must have been like for someone there," Ray said. "You're in the hallway looking into one of the rooms with the bars on them but imagine what it was like for someone on the inside barely big enough for three people and looking out down these long hallways. You can imagine what the whole purpose of the place was just by looking at the barracks and the living conditions."

Dachau was one of the few concentration camps in use for the entire Nazi regime from 1933 to 1945.

Some would have considered these camps to be inconceivable before encountering them during World War II.

"Historically, it gives [Soldiers] a lot more perspective, especially when it comes to liberation, when the troops came through Germany, what they found and how unprepared they were to deal with this type of crime against humanity," said Sgt. Robert Kalich, clinical training NCO for Europe Regional Medical Command in Heidelberg, Germany.

Visiting camps like Dachau help remind people why it's important to never forget.

"The Days of Remembrance is about remembering what happened in the past and making sure it doesn't happen again in the future," Master Sgt. Jason Reisler, Equal Opportunity advisor for ERMC in Heidelberg, Germany. "This is what the military does; we are supposed to be guardians of humanity. We are supposed to go out there and if something is wrong we should stand up and be that right example, the Be, Know, Do. You have to know what history was so that way we never repeat the same mistakes."

Sleep Keeps You, Your Unit Army Strong

Kira M. Koon, Program Evaluator
U.S. Army Public Health Command

Sleep is often thought of as a luxury that falls by the wayside when we are busy and stressed. However, getting enough sleep is one of the most important things you can do to be Army Strong. Sleep is a necessity to sustain your performance—just like food, water and air.

The effects of sleep deprivation can sneak up on you and cause a serious decrease in your ability to stay sharp during training, while on duty and on the battlefield.

Some common consequences of sleep deprivation include decreased performance and concentration, increased stress, slow reaction times, confusion, memory lapses and poor judgment. Inadequate sleep is also linked with increased risk of motor vehicle accidents, increased risk of diabetes and heart problems, and increased risk for psychiatric conditions including depression and substance abuse.

In other words, without enough sleep, you put both yourself and your fellow Soldiers at risk.

For optimal performance, most Soldiers need seven to eight hours of sleep every 24 hours, and it is best if this sleep is not interrupted.

However, as a Soldier, you might not be able to have seven hours of continuous sleeping time each day. In such cases, shorter sleep periods that add up to between seven and eight hours for each 24-hour period can also sustain alertness and performance.

Getting quality sleep depends on many factors, including your stress levels, the surrounding physical environment and what you eat, drink and do close to bedtime. Sleep experts recommend following the tips:

1. Stick to a sleep schedule. As much as possible, go to bed and wake up at the same time each day.

2. Establish a relaxing routine before bed. Give yourself time to unwind. A relaxing routine might include reading or listening to soothing music and lowering the lights.

3. Have a dark, quiet, comfortable and cool sleeping environment. Don't sleep in areas where there is regular activity. If needed, minimize exposure to noise and light by using ear plugs, blackout shades or a sleep mask.

4. Avoid large meals and beverages right before bedtime. A light snack is OK, but avoid large meals and too many fluids two to three hours prior to bedtime. A large meal can cause indigestion that interferes with sleep. Drinking too many fluids at night can cause you to awaken to urinate.

5. Avoid caffeine and nicotine. Coffee, colas, certain teas and chocolate contain caffeine, and its effects can last for eight hours. Nicotine is also a stimulant and can cause smokers to sleep only very lightly.

6. Avoid alcoholic drinks before bed. While many people think a drink or two will help them fall asleep, alcohol actually prevents you from falling into a deep sleep.

7. Avoid medicines that delay or disrupt your sleep. Some medications, such as heart, blood pressure or asthma medications, and over-the-counter and herbal remedies for coughs, colds or allergies can disrupt sleep patterns. If you are having trouble sleeping, talk to your doctor to see if any medications you are taking might be affecting your sleep.

8. Exercise is great, but not before bed. Avoid exercising within a few hours before going to bed. Exercise makes us more alert and raises body temperature, which makes it harder to fall asleep. So, finish your exercise at least three hours before bedtime.

9. Don't lie in bed awake. If you find yourself still awake after lying in bed for more than 20 minutes, get up and do something relaxing (like reading or listening to music) until you feel sleepy. Often the anxiety of not being able to sleep can make it harder to fall asleep.

10. Talk to your doctor if you continue to have trouble sleeping. If you continue to find yourself feeling tired and not alert, talk to your doctor. An underlying health problem might be affecting your sleep.

For more information on how to improve your sleep, refer to:

- Guide to Coping with Deployment and Combat Stress- Sleep Management and Soldier Readiness: A Guide for Leaders and Soldiers. United States Army Public Health Command, http://phc.amedd.army.mil (Search for "Sleep")
- Hooah for Health, www.hooah4health.com/mind/sleep-tips.htm
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/public/sleep/healthy_sleep.pdf
- National Sleep Foundation, www.sleepfoundation.org/

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10th annual Make A Wish 24 hours 11-12 May

Starts at 4 p.m. If you want to volunteer, be a food vendor or participate, contact DSN 423-5325.

Make-A-Wish 5-A-Side Soccer Tournament

Registration is open until May 9 for players born between 1995 and 2001. Tournament is held May 11 starting at 4:30 p.m. Fee is €2 per player. For more information, contact the Youth Sports Office at DSN 423-4409 or civilian 065-44-4409.

Tri-border Employment & Education Fair

Looking for a Job? Retiring or separating from the military soon? Thinking about furthering your education? The place to be to speak to hiring officials and education representatives and get answers is the Tri-border Employment & Education Fair, May 23, from 10 a.m. –to 1 p.m., at the JFC Conference Center, Ouverbergstraat 1, Brunssum. Local employers who will be present include The Exchange, Commissary, Andrews Federal Credit Union, Community Bank, DFMWR/Child, Youth and School Services, and others. At least one Government contractor (Northrup Grumman) will also be there recruiting for positions in the US and throughout Europe. Information will be available for positions with MSEP (Military Spouse Employment Partnership) companies like Walmart, Amazon, and others, including working from home opportunities, and other information on hiring veterans will be available.

Representatives from the Education Center, Central Texas College, University of Maryland, University of Oklahoma, and Embry Riddle University will be present to discuss degrees offered, upcoming classes, and registration procedures. Experts will be available to answer questions and provide information on the new GI Bill, scholarships, Military Spouse Career Accounts, computer lab, and testing programs. You will also be able to get information on volunteer opportunities throughout the Tri-Border community. For more information, call ACS at DSN 360-7269/7500 or civilian +31(0) 46-443-7269/7500.

Investing Basics Seminar

Learn to make sense of bonds, stocks, mutual funds, IRAs, the TSP (your 401k) and more. May 24 from 2 to 3 p.m. at Bldg. 318, SHAPE. To register or for more information call DSN 423-5324 or civilian 065-44-5324.

Paid internships with CYSS Sports & Fitness

If you are a U.S. citizen between 15 and 18 years of age, currently attending high school, possess and maintain a 2.0 (C) grade-point average or better and get a satisfactory completion of local police background check, you may be eligible for a paid internship for 12 continuous work weeks with 15-18 hours of work during school weeks and a maximum of 40 hours during non-school weeks. If interested, contact DSN 423-5611 or civilian 065-44-5611.

Financial help for college education

The following four free resources contain invaluable information that could help defray costs of attending college:

- www.apps.collegeboard.org/cbsearch_ss/welcome.jsp
- www.finaid.org/scholarships/
- www.fastweb.com/
- www.legion.org/needalift/pdf/nal2011.pdf

Scholarship search doesn't have to end once the student attends Freshmen Orientation. Many scholarships and grants are available to students as they continue their college education – including completion of their Graduate Degree. Financial Aid is also available to adult students continuing their education.

Please contact the School Liaison Officer at slobenelux@eur.army.mil for assistance, DSN 423-5635 or civilian 065-44-5635 at SHAPE, DSN 368-9670 or civilian 02-717-9670 in Brussels .

AFCU Employment Opportunity

Effective immediately, Andrews Federal Credit Union is offering the following career opportunities in area branches:

- Chièvres Branch at Chièvres Air Force Base, Belgium:
  - Member Services Representative (Two Full-time Positions)
  - Senior Teller (Full-time)
- USAG Benelux, Brussels Branch, Belgium:
  - Branch Manager (Full-time)
  - Member Service Representative (Two Part-time Positions)
- Schinnen Branch, The Netherlands:
  - Member Services Representatives (Two Full-time Positions)
  - Member Services Representative (one part-time Position)
- Chièvres Air Force Base and Benelux Region:
  - Member Services Representative/Teller Floater (Full-time)

For these and other positions or to apply online, visit www.andrewsfcu.org .All applicants must have a U.S. Passport with logistical support. Andrews Federal Credit Union is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Military and Family Life Consultant Program

The Military and Family Life Consultant Program provides non-medical short-term, situational problem-solving counseling to service members and their families. It also provides education to help service members and families understand the impact of stress, deployments, family reunions following deployments and the stresses of military life. Services are provided on-demand, on or off installations to individuals, couples, families and groups. Services are confidential and private, except for duty-to-warn situations. A Military and Family Life Consultant is available at Caserne Daumerie and can be contacted at 0497-653738.

CYSS Summer camp

The School Age Center is offers 10 weeks of action packed activities for children ages 6-12. Campers will have the opportunity to join a clubs, engage in rotating activities, and explore a wide range of sessions. Rotating activities include swimming at SHAPE Pool and trips to the SHAPE Library. Outside activities will also be offered daily in combination with individual and team games. Field trips are subject to change due to availability and weather conditions. Registration is open now. For information call Parent Central Services DSN 423-5612 or civilian 065-44-5612 or School Age Center DSN 423-6079 or civilian 065-44-6079 or visit http://usag-beneluxcyss.blogspot.com or https://webtrac.mwr.army.mil/webtrac/shapecyms.html.

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Protected chameleons seized at Brussels Airport

More than 100 extremely rare Johnson chameleons have been seized at Brussels Airport. The protected animals arrived on a flight from Burundi, Africa. They had been wrapped in linen bags and small cylinders. Some of the animals are doing good, some are very weak. One animal was dead. They were not intended to come on the Belgian market. A Johnson chameleon is worth €75, a couple is worth €300. The chameleons have been sent to a nature center in Opglabbeek until the government decides whether the animals are being sent back to Burundi or kept in a zoo.

Lama hit by a train between Gent and Antwerpen

A lama was hit by a train last week at Waasmunster, on the Gent-Antwerpen rail track. The animal did not survive the impact and the train traffic got delayed. It is still unknown who the owner of the animal was.

New cannabis rules take effect in the Netherlands

All Maastricht's 14 Coffee Shops (cannabis cafes) closed their doors yesterday in protest of the new rules banning them from selling marijuana and hashish to tourists. From May 1, all so-called coffee shops in the south of the country should have become private members' clubs and customers must prove they live in the locality to be able to buy soft drugs. The measure will go nationwide on January 1, 2013. In total, some 80 coffee shops in Limburg, Zeeland and Brabant are affected. The government hopes the new rules will reduce drugs tourism and criminality but opponents fear there will be an increase in street dealing.

Dutch elections

The general election will take place September 12. Then, just six days later, the 2013 budget - drawn up last week by the outgoing government and its allies - will formally be presented to parliament. Details have not yet been made public but NOS television says the pension age increase will be brought forward, the tax break on mortgages will be reformed and healthcare fees will go up. The fact that a general election will take place just days before the budget is formally presented to parliament by the queen makes it unclear on how many of the measures will actually come into effect and how many will have been shredded during the election campaign.

Belgium has highest tax on revenue

Other countries where workers pay a lot of taxes like in Germany or Hungary had lowered their taxes these last years but Belgium didn't. For a bachelor without children earning an average revenue, the taxes paid in Belgium is 55.5%. This means the worker only gets 44.5% of his salary. For a family with two children and living on one salary, the taxes are 40.3%. This percentage rates second on the list, behind France where the tax is 42.3%. Belgium is top of the list for the taxes paid by a family with two children and earning two salaries where taxes can reach 48.2%.

Dutch Queen's Day honors

A total of 3,429 people have been awarded honors in the traditional honors list published on the eve of Koninginnedag (Queen's Day). Among the famous faces being honored in this year's lintjesregen - rain of ribbons - are singer and television talent show judge Angela Groothuizen, actress Carry Tefsen and journalist and talk show host Frits Barend. As usual, nearly all the honors went to people who carry out voluntary work

Two explosions in Nivelles

Last Wednesday, the firemen were dispatched near the Nivelles main square because of the explosion of a heating system. While evaluating the danger, the firemen noticed the presence of two gas containers. When they evacuated the gas containers, the second explosion occurred injuring three workers. Two of them had to be transferred to the Loverval and Neder-Over-Heembeek hospitals that are specialized in the treatment of the burns.

April is coldest month since 1993

April only had 90 hours of sunshine whereas on average, it should be 159 hours. The average temperature has been of 11.5 degrees Celsius. In 2011, the average temperature was 19.7 degrees Celsius and in 2007, the average was 20.5 degrees Celsius during the month of April.

What's new on May 1 in Belgium

- The Flemish public broadcaster VRT starts a third channel, which will focus on children's programs between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m. After 8 p.m., the channel will be called "OP 12" and there will be room for a special program aimed at reaching an international audience. The program will be in English and targets expats and people who do not speak Dutch, with the aim of making them more familiar with life in Flanders.
- Pharmacies should propose the cheapest type of antibiotics to their clients. This measure was taken by the federal government to save money in the health sector.

World's 50 best restaurants

The British magazine "Restaurant" published its yearly list of "the World's 50 Best Restaurants". Denmark's Noma retains first place, but the only Belgian restaurant in the top-50, the Hof van Cleve, is the big loser dropping 27 places from the 15th to the 42nd on the list. The top-3 is unchanged, with Spain's El Celler de Can Roca on two and Mugaritz of the Basque country on three.

Tintin album

An album featuring the comic strip character Tintin, 'Tintin in the land of Soviets', has been sold for nearly 40,000 euros. The album by the Belgian strip cartoonist Hergé dating from 1930 was only expected to fetch 10,000 euros, but in the event punters dug deep into their pockets. The auctioneer said that since they started to auction Tintin albums in 2005 this is the highest amount that has ever changed hands. Another copy of the same album 'only' fetched 9,515 euros. An album entitled 'Tintin in Africa' dating from 1931 was sold for 15,860 euros and the album 'King Ottokar's Sceptre' dating from 1942 sold for 12,200 euros.

Toots Thielemans turns 90

Harmonica player Toots Thielemans, the Belgian jazz legend, turned 90 on Sunday. Last week, he was officially invited by King Albert II. Thielemans is still performing on stage. He has eight concerts scheduled in Belgium so far.

Host Nation Events & Happenings

This column is events within close distance to Chièvres, SHAPE, Brussels.

Through 6 May

- ***Royal Greenhouses in Laken (entrance on Avenue du Parc royal) open to the public.*** Open from 8 to 10 p.m. on 13 April. Then the opening schedule will be as follows: from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. from Tuesdays to Thursdays; from 1 to 4 p.m. and 8 to 10 p.m. on Fridays; and from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 8 to 10 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Closed on Mondays. Entrance fee is €2.50 per adult and free of charge for all under 18 years old.
- ***Flower exhibition in Grand-Bigard*** at the Château de Grand-Bigard on Isidoor Van Beverenstraat 5. More information about prices, schedule, etc on www.floralia-brussels.be (site available in English).
- ***Brussels Short Film Festival in Brussels*** on Avenue Maurice 1. More information on www.courtmetrage.be/ (site available in English).
- ***Amaryllis and Orchid Exhibition in Beloeil*** at the Castle. More information on www.chateaudebeloeil.com/en/ (site available in English).

Through 20 May

- ***Painting exhibition "Per Kirkeby and the forbidden paintings of Kurt Schwitters"*** in Brussels at the Fine Arts Museum BOZAR on Rue Ravenstein 23. Closed on Monday, open the other days from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and to 9 p.m. on Thursday. Entrance fee is €10. More info on www.bozar.be/activity.php?id=11527&lng=en.

Through 3 June

- ***Exhibition "Dinner's Served! From Field to Plate" -*** An exhibition that asks today the questions for tomorrow with a rich scenography. A multi-modal museography: graphic frescoes, audiovisual productions, exceptional items, photographs, electro-mechanical interactive displays, windows of discovery, tactile monitors etc. Contemporary art works mark out the exhibition halls. More information on www.expo-atable.be.

Through 11 June

- ***Paintings Exhibition in Tournai at the Fine Arts Museum on Enclos Saint-Martin.*** You'll have the opportunity to admire 100 paintings from Manet to Monet, Seurat or Van Gogh, among others. Open every day from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. except on Tuesday. Price ranges from €1 to €2.5.

Through 1 July

- ***Display "Stanley Kubrick, Photographer" in Brussels***, Musées royaux des Beaux-Arts de Belgique on Rue de la Régence, 3. The display is showing the first creative works of Stanley Kubrick. Opening hours are Tuesday to Sunday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- ***BELvue weekends (Breakfast + museum visit) in Brussels***. Every weekend enjoy a breakfast including 1 tea/coffee/hot chocolate/orange juice + an assortment of 3 pastries and tour the museum. Price is €8 for adults and €4 under 18. More information on www.belvue.be/BELvue/news.aspx?id=290520&LangType=1033.

This column is events within close distance from Brunssum and Schinnen

Through 20 May

- **The Netherlands' world famous Keukenhof Gardens** near the town of Lisse (NL) opened its gates again to show an unprecedented wealth of spectacular floral displays planted in endless varieties among beautiful works of art. This year the international flower exhibition has chosen "Poland – Heart of Europe" as its central theme. The Keukenhof is open daily 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Ticket office closes at 6 p.m. Entry: €15; children age 4 to 11, €7. More info in English: www.keukenhof.nl.

Through 7 October

- ***Floriade 2012 in Venlo***– 'World Horticulturale Expo'. This large horticultural fair takes place every 10 years. This year the fair/show can be found in Venlo (NL) and has, besides Europe's largest indoor flower exhibition, more than 100 participants from all over the world. More info: www.floriade.com.

Through 5 May

- ***French Gourmet Market in Duisburg (GE)*** at Averdunkplatz is heaven for all who like the French cuisine.

Through 27 June

- ***Sand Sculpture Festival in Scheveningen*** held at the beach and Boulevard of Scheveningen (NL). The art of sand sculting is relatively new and was first introduced to the European public in 1991 in Scheveningen. Since then more and more artists have focused on this creative art form. The sculptures in Scheveningen are designed by international artists.

Through 2 September

- ***Cheese Market in Alkmaar*** -- The city of Alkmaar (NL) is famous worldwide for its cheese market. Cheese has been weighed in Alkmaar since 1593. Cheese carriers carry thousands of kilos of cheese from 'Waagplein' square to the weighing house. What used to be serious business has turned into a popular attraction for thousands of tourists. Cheese carriers can be seen in action 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.

Host Nation Events & Happenings

4 May

- ***Night relay bike race in Monceau-Sur-Sambre***. Departure is from the route de Goutroux 1 at 7 p.m. Showers and bike-wash available. Participating fee is €6.
- ***Night flea market in Cuesmes*** on the Grand'Place from 3 p.m. to midnight.

4 through 6 May

- ***Wine fair in Jurbise*** at the Salle Jacques Galland from 5 to 10 p.m. (35 booths)

4 through 7 May

- ***Flea market in Gilly*** on the Les Quatres Chaussées from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

5 May

- ***Volksmarch in Châtelet*** for 4, 7, 13, 20, 25, 50 km. Departure is from the Rue des Campagnes from 7 to 9 a.m.
- ***Mountain bike ride in Kain*** for 35, 50, 70, 95 km. Departure is from the Rue du Follet 2 from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Participating fee ranges from €8 to €10.
- ***Crafts market in Anderlecht*** on the Place de la Vaillance as of 10 a.m. (15 booths)
- ***Crafts and flower markets in Bas-Warneton*** on the square from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (30 booths)
- ***Flea market in Jette*** on Rue Esseghem from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (15 booths)
- ***Flea market in Molenbeek-Saint-Jean*** on Boulevard Mettewi from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. (180 booths)
- ***Flea market in Ploegsteert*** at the Cité Terrienne from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (300 booths)
- ***Flea market in Saint-Gilles*** in the Quartier Hôtel de Ville from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. (200 booths)
- ***Flea market in Soignies*** on Rue de l'Epinois from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. (50 booths)
- ***Flea market in Souvret*** on the square from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (100 booths)
- ***Flea market in Thuin*** on Avenue de la Couture from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (220 booths)
- ***Book and comics fair in Watermael-Boisfort*** on Place E. Keym from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. (20 booths)

5-6 May

- ***Flea market in Ganshoren*** in the Quartiers Sainte-Cécile from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ***Medieval fair in Soignies*** at the Château de Saulchoy on Chemin du Cornet 70 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. More than 60 crafts booths. Around 250 medievalists will be present to entertain you. There will be also an archery tournament along with storytellers, musicians, jugglers, horses...Entrance fee is €5 and €1 for children under 12.

6 May

- ***Volksmarch in Châtelet*** for 4, 7, 13, 20 km. Departure is from Rue des Campagnes from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- ***Volksmarch in Houtain-Le-Val*** for 5, 10, 15, 20 km + 8 km orientation walk. Departure is from the Rue des Ecoles 4 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. 5 km route accessible for strollers.

4-6 May

- ***Pasar Malam Asiain in Geleen*** is an attractive Asian Year Market held at Glanerbrook, Kummenaedestraat 45 with shows, demonstrations and lots of food. Entry: €7; children (4-11) €3. Open: May 4, 1 to 10 p.m.; May 5, 1 to 11 p.m. and May 6, noon to 8 p.m
- ***Plant and Garden Festival in Lasne*** at the Ancienne Abbaye d'Aywiers Gardens, Rue de l'Abbaye 14. The former Cistercian abbey of Aywiers is the perfect location for this plant and garden fair. This year the highlight is on gardening on windowsills, balconies and terraces. About 180 garden professionals are present to give advice; there will be presentations, demonstrations and many more activities. Open: May 4, 1 to 6:30 p.m. and May 5-6, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

5 May

- ***Liberation Day in the Netherlands*** is always celebrated on May 5 with many festivities in the whole country. Every province (state) has a Liberation Festival with many national and international artists. These festivals are all free of charge. You'll find the festivals in: Almere; Amsterdam; Assen; Den Bosch; Den Haag; Groningen; Haarlem; Leeuwarden; Roermond; Rotterdam; Utrecht; Vlissingen; Wageningen and Zwolle.

5 -6 May

- ***International Ceramic & Potters Marketin Krefeld (GE)*** at Dionysiusplatz and Rheinstrasse. Open: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ***Lippischer Naschmarkt in Lemgo (GE)*** is a culinary market held around the Castle Brake in with many sbooths displaying culinary delicacies as well as live music and other entertainment.

6 - 7 May

- ***European Opera Days in Liege*** at Opéra Royal de Wallonie, Rue des Dominicains. Every year, on the weekend closest to May 9 (Europe Day) European opera houses open their doors to novices and buffs to celebrate opera and the talent of singers. More than 100 opera houses in Europe are celebrating this edition. They not only demonstrate how vital opera singing is but also how it forms an integral part of history, the city and cultural heritage of every citizen.

6 May continued

- ***Volksmarch in Haulchin*** for 5, 10, 20 km. Departure is from the Place Waressaix from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ***Volksmarch in Ragnies*** for 5, 10, 15, 20 km. Departure is from the square from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ***Volksmarch in Elouges*** for 5, 10, 20 km. Departure is from the Rue Charles Wautiez 27 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ***Volksmarch in Saint-Denis/Obourg*** for 5, 10, 15, 20 km. Departure is from Rue de la Filature 4 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ***Volksmarch in Vaulx*** for 5, 10, 15, 20 km. Departure is from Rue du Gros Lot 9 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ***Flea market in Bourgeois*** on Rue de Nivelles and around from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- ***Flea market in Cuesmes*** on Rue de l'Espinette from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. (100 booths)
- ***Crafts and flea market in Dour*** on the Place Verte from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. (50 booths)
- ***Plant and flea market in Forest*** on the Place Albert from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- ***Flea market in Houdeng-Goegnies*** on the square from noon to 8 p.m.
- ***Flea market in Mons*** at the Grand Large on the parking lot of Imagipark from 5 a.m. to 6 p.m. (300 booths)
- ***Flea market in Morlanwelz*** on Quai de la Haine from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. (250 booths)
- ***Military memorabilia in Tournai*** on Avenue Minijean 60 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (60 booths)

Volksmarch

- ***Flea market in Woluwe-Saint-Lambert*** on Avenue A. Dumont from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (40 booths)
- ***Mountain bike ride in Overijse*** for 25, 35, 50, 60 km. Departure is from soccer field on Bredestraat from 8 to 10:30 a.m. Showers and bike-wash available. Participating fee ranges from €2.50 to €4. (1300 participants in 2011)
- ***Mountain bike ride in Lennik*** for 30, 45 km. Departure is from Algoestraat 77 from 8 to 10:30 a.m. Showers and bike-wash available. Participating fee is €4.
- ***Mountain bike ride in Neufvilles*** for 15, 30, 45 km. Departure is from Rue des 7 Blasons 2 from 8 to 11 a.m. Bike-wash available. Price ranges from €3 to €5.
- ***Mountain bike ride in Leernes*** for 20, 35, 50 km. Departure is from Rue de l'Abbaye d'Aulne 1C from 8 to 11 a.m. Showers and bike-wash available. Price ranges from €4 to €5.
- ***Mountain bike ride in Arbre*** for 25, 45 km. Departure is from the square from 7:30 to 11 a.m. Bike-wash available. Participating fee is €3.5.
- ***Mountain bike ride in Peruwelz*** for 19, 39, 59 km. Departure is from Rue Verte Chasse 9 from 8 to 10 a.m. Showers and bike-wash available. Price ranges from €4 to €5.

12 May

- ***Flea market in Brugelette*** on the Grand'Place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (20 booths)
- ***Flower market in Dour*** on the Place Verte from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. (8 booths)
- ***Flea market in Etterbeek*** on Avenue des Casernes and Rue Nothomb from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (100 booths)
- ***Flea market in Fayt-Lez-Manage*** at the Cité Corderie from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. (150 booths)
- ***Flea market in Monceau-Sur-Sambre*** on the Place Albert 1er from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. (100 booths)
- ***Flea market in Mons*** on the Quartier du Trieu from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. (80 booths)
- ***Flea market in Saint-Josse-Ten-Noode*** on Chaussée d'Haecht from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (200 booths)
- ***Flea market in Ganshoren*** on Avenue Charles Quint from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. (70 booths)

Events & Happenings

Trips and Tours information is published one month prior to the actual event or the registration deadline, whichever comes first.

SHAPE Trips & Tours

For information on the trips below,
call DSN 423-3884 or civilian 065-44-3884.

- ***Rhine in Flames, May 5*** - Trip begins in Bonn, Germany for free time to explore the city. In the evening, board the ship and embark on a breathtaking cruise of the Rhine River. Relax and enjoy a delicious meal. As night falls, the sky will come alive with an amazing fireworks display cascading along the romantic Rhine. Price: €118 Adult/Youth, €50 Children (0-3) Departs SHAPE at 11 a.m. Saturday and returns SHAPE at 4 a.m. Sunday. Departs Brussels at 10 a.m. Saturday and returns Brussels at 5 a.m. on Sunday.
- ***Champagne Tour for Mother's Day, May 12*** - Treat Mom to a relaxing day out in the Champagne Region of France. Trip begins with a stop in Reims where we will have a few hours to enjoy lunch (not included), shop, take a stroll to the famous Cathedral of Notre Dame in Reims, or tour the beautiful old bishops' palace, the Basilica and Abby Museum of St. Remi. We will then continue with a photo stop at the church where Dom Perignon, the monk credited with inventing this bubby masterpiece, is buried. Our final destination is Epernay where we will visit the famous Champagne Caves of Mercier. An elevator with a panoramic view will take us down 30 meter below ground to the cellars. We will then tour a portion of the 18 km of caves on a laser guided train. We will end the tour with a complimentary Champagne tasting. Price: €75 Adults, €60 Youth (10-17 yrs), €55 Children (0-9 yrs). Departs SHAPE at 8:30 a.m. and returns SHAPE at 10 p.m. Departs Brussels at 7:30 a.m. and returns Brussels at 11 p.m.

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- ***London Weekend, May 26-28*** - Check out Big Ben, take a river cruise on the Thames, ride the London Eye, people watch in Trafalgar Square, hike up the geometric staircase at St. Paul's Cathedral, or spend some time in the West End theatre district. Price: 390€ Single, 275€ per person double/twin/triple. *Children 5-12 210€,* Children 0-4 150€ (*when sharing a room with 2 fully paid guests) Departs SHAPE 7:a.m. Saturday, Returns SHAPE 11:30 p.m. Monday. Departs Brussels 6 a.m. Saturday. Returns Brussels 12:30 a.m. Tuesday.

Schinnen Trips and Tours

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

- ***Day Trip to Amsterdam, May 12*** – Visit the capital of the Netherlands. Round trip luxury motor coach transportation departs Schinnen at 7 a.m. and arrival in Amsterdam at approximately 10 a.m. Departs Amsterdam at 6 p.m. and expected to be back in Schinnen at around 9 p.m. Price per person is $49. Assigned seating on first-come & pay basis. Register with full payment by May 4 at the Trips & Tours office located inside the Andre Bruls Fitness Center in Schinnen. The trip requires a minimum of 35 participants. For more info call DSN 360-7561 or civilian 0031 (0)46-443-7561.

SHAPE Travel Group

For information on the trips below call civilian 065-336560
Travel Group members are available every Wednesday and Friday
from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Foyer of the SHAPE Library, Bldg. 307.

- ***Cochem/Moselle with optional wine tasting, May 11*** - Excursion to the quaint town of Cochem on the Moselle River. Sign up for the optional wine tasting then time on your own or explore on your own completely: river cruise, hiking, mustard factory, restaurants. Price is €35. The wine tasting option is an additional cost of €7.50 and includes the tasting of 6 different wines. This must be prepaid

Community Roundup

For recurring events check on www.usagbenelux.eur.army.mil/sites/local/pages/gazette/GazetteExtra.pdf.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SHAPE/CHIEVRES COMMUNITY

Today

- ***Math and Science Showcase*** - Come and celebrate a year of learning and creating from 3:30 to 6 p.m. at the SHAPE American Elementary School. Open to all SHAPE students and parents. The showcase gives students the opportunity to display their skills in creating, imagining and inventing. There will also be a used book sale during the showcase (see flyer on this page).

3 May

- ***USAG Benelux Safety Stand Down Day*** - Event will be held at the Community Recreation Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Among the activities are a roll-over car, a riding simulator, display of a rescue truck from the Civilian Protection, display of a fire truck and various information booths and briefings. A motorcycle safety class will start at 1 p.m. and will be followed by a ride out under the supervision of the Federal Police Motorcycle instructor. Event is open to all. For more information, contact DSN 361-1470 or civilian 068-27-5561.
- ***National Day of Prayer Observation***- The 61st Annual Observance of the National Day of Prayer will be held May 3 at Daumerie Chapel from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. A BBQ luncheon will immediately follow.

4 May

- ***Texas Hold'Em*** - Texas Hold'Em will begin at 6 p.m. at The Warrior Zone on Daumerie Caserne. The entry fee is $50 and registration is from 5 to 5:45 p.m.

9 May

- ***MWR Bingo*** - Bingo at The Warrior Zone on Daumerie Caserne. Doors open at 5 p.m. Play begins at 6:30 p.m. Game cards $3 each. Pack of 10 game cards, $20. Mini Jackpot entry, $5 plus purchase of 10 game cards. Jackpot entry $7 plus purchase of 10 game cards. The Mini Jackpot prize Apple iPad 2. Jackpot prize 52" LED Television. For more DSN 361-5643 or civilian 068-27-5643.

BRUSSELS COMMUNITY

3 May

- ***National Day of Prayer Luncheon*** - Sponsored by the USAG Brussels American Chapel, luncheon will start at 11:45 a.m. in the Three Star Recreation Center. The lunch is free and open to all. For additional information, contact DSN 368-9677 or civilian 02-717-9677.

4 May

- ***Cinco de Mayo party*** - Meets at the 3 Star Recreation Center from 6:30 to 11 p.m. The event includes food, fun and dancing (Salsa competition). Open for 18 years old and over. For more information contact the 3 Star Recreation Center at DSN 368-9822 and civilian 02-717-9822.
- ***Parent Night Out***- CYS Services next Parent Night Out will be held on Friday, May 4 from 6:30 to 11:30 p.m. Cost is $25 per child and includes dinner. Slots are still available for children 6 weeks - 5th grade. Contact CYS Services at DSN 368-9651 or civilian 02-717-9651.

5 May

- ***BOSS Center Grand Opening and Pancake Breakfast*** - Boss Center ribbon cutting will be at 9 a.m. at the Three Star Recreation Center. Pancakes will be for sale from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. $8 per adult and $6 per child.

Community Roundup

9 May

- ***Dental Clinic Closure*** - The dental clinic will be closed all day.

10 May

- ***Italian Night*** - In lieu of its normally scheduled Taco Night, the 3-Star Recreation Center invites the Brussels community to "Italian Night" on Thursday, May 10, beginning at 5:30 p.m. All you can eat spaghetti, an assortment of breads, and salad. The cost is $8 for patrons 11 years and older and $6 for patrons 10 years and under. For more information contact the 3-Star Recreation Center at DSN 368-9822 or civilian 02-717-9822.

11 May

- ***Dental Clinic Closure*** - The Dental Clinic will be closed. Appointment booking will be open.

13 May

- ***Mothers Day Breakfast/Brunch*** - Meets from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the 3 Star Recreation Center. Price is $8 per plate for 13 years old and over and $6 per plate for kids 12 years old and under. Enjoy pancakes, hard boiled eggs, biscuits and gravy, turkey bacon, sausage, fruit, juice and coffee. For more information contact the 3 Star Recreation Center at DSN 368-9822 or civilian 02-717-9822.

BRUNSSUM/SCHINNEN COMMUNITY

3 May

- ***First 20 weeks of Pregnancy*** - Class is from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Schinnen ACS. Sign up as soon as you know you are pregnant so we can support you through the early physical and emotional changes. To register, call civilian 0031 (0)46-443-7335.
- ***Book Discussion*** - From 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the JFC Brunssum Library to discuss *Living Life through Words: The Inspirational Writings of Kim McNair.* For more information, call 0031(0)46-443-7500.

8 May

- ***Tri-Border Town Hall meeting*** - Tri-Border residents are invited to the semi-annual Town Hall Meeting to meet community leaders and receive first-hand updates of major changes and events going on in our community. Leaders from GK NATO Air Base, JFC Brunssum and USAG Schinnen will be on hand as well as representatives from many community service providers. Doors open 4:15 p.m., meeting is from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

9 May

- ***Parent Advisory Group Meeting*** - The Parent Advisory meeting will be noon 1 p.m. at the Alliance Restaurant on JFC Brumssum. Call 045-526-3008 for more information.

10 May

- ***EFMP Support Group*** - The Exceptional Family Member Program support group meets noon May 10 at Schinnen ACS. Bring your lunch for this friendly get-together.

11 May

- ***Parents' Night Out*** - Enjoy a night out while CYSS takes care of your children from 6:30 to 11:30 p.m. May 11. A light dinner will be served. Care is $20 per child with each additional sibling at $18. AFC benefits can be used. Care is located at JFC Brunssum BLDG H-501. To sign-up contact PCS at 0031(0)45-526-3121 or stop by to make your reservation. Open to CYSS Registered Children Infant-6th Grade. Fees are non-refundable. Call 31(0)45-526-3008 for details.

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