

THE GAZETTE

Published for members of the Chièvres Air Base, Caserne Daumerie, SHAPE and Brussels communities

KMC Exercise scheduled

The 86th Airlift Wing and 435th Air Ground Operations Wing will host a Kaiserslautern Military Community-wide exercise May 16 to 19. This exercise will include Air Force, Army and host nation emergency response participants at locations across the KMC with a focus on Ramstein. There will be MAJOR disruptions in service and gate and road closures on and off base will occur. Please contact Ramstein Inspections & Readiness (CVI) at DSN 480-5520 if you have any questions. Anyone planning routine visits to the base is recommended to avoid these days.

Traffic Survey at Landstuhl

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and local authorities are planning to collect data in an origin-destination traffic survey at gate 3 of Landstuhl Post May 19 from 5 a.m. to 8 p.m. In addition to traffic data, additional information about the living on the Landstuhl Installation will be collected and will take from 20-30 seconds. Information is anonymous and will be used solely for the purpose of traffic infrastructure planning. For appointments at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, please allow extra time to your travel due to this temporary inconvenience.

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Schinnen Soldier named IMCOM Europe Soldier of the Year

By Tom Budzyna

USAG Schinnen Public Affairs



IMCOM Europe's Command Sgt. Maj. Barry E. Maieritsch announced who won the IMCOM Soldier and NCO of the Year Best Warrior Competition in a ceremony held May 12 here in the Village Pavilion on Patrick Henry Village.

Following a tough 3-day battle at the Grafenwoehr Training Area May 2 to 4 among 11 soldiers competing for the honors, USAG Benelux's Spc. Jonathan Melendez is IMCOM Europe 2011 Soldier of the Year and USAG Stuttgart's Staff Sgt. Jacob A. Brewster is IMCOM Europe NCO of the Year.

"Each competitor can claim to be among the best, but today is about the best of the best," said Maieritsch.

"The IMCOM Europe Best Warrior competition does something so important for the Army. It's a chance for our warriors to equally teach and learn something. It's an opportunity to have fun, but most of all it helps our warriors keep their competitive edge while at home in our garrisons," said Ms. Diane Devens, IMCOM Europe Region Director.

The atmosphere of professionalism and friendly rivalry was expressed in remarks made by U. S. Army Europe's Command Sgt. Maj. Thomas Capel.

"The Best Warrior competition is the kind of event that gets other command sergeants major calling my office to talk about who has the best Soldiers and who might win," Capel said, which drew hearty responses from proud leaders anticipating their Soldiers would win the competition.

"Most of all, this competition event brings out the best in our people. We see that it's about: we will never quit, we will win, we cannot fail. Soldiers in this room are our nation's future warriors and leaders. One of you may be the next Sergeant Major of the Army - you just don't know it yet," Capel said.

"Ever since I arrived in USAG Schinnen in 2010 and started competing in boards, it was a personal goal to win this competition. I'm kind of shocked now, but it'll settle in," Melendez said just before joining Ms. Devens and Staff Sgt. Brewster to cut the Best Warrior Competition cake. The Best Warrior Competition received support from sponsors who awarded Staff Sgt. Brewster and Spc. Melendez each with prizes valued over \$5,000. The sponsors included the Exchange, Andrews Federal Credit Union, Defense Commissary Agency, Delta Air Lines, Edelweiss Lodge and Resort, GEICO, Heidelberg Army Lodging, Heidelberg Sergeants Major Association, Family and Morale Welfare and Recreation, Pentagon Car Sales, Schmitz GMBH, TKS, USAA and the USO.

Staff Sgt. Brewster and Spc. Melendez can expect the next stage of the competition to be even tougher as they compete with winners from other regions at the IMCOM Best Warrior Competition in San Antonio, Texas May 23 to 27.

Change of Command



Yanessa Thonard

Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers in Europe Battalion, United States Army North Atlantic Treaty Organization Brigade changed command Friday at the SHAPE High School football field. Lt. Col. Paul D. Sherman with Command Sgt. Maj. Phillip L. Dixon took command and responsibility from Lt. Col. Michele Prihoda and Command Sgt. Maj. Dawn V. Charleswell.

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Northern Law Center celebrates Law Day with legal community members of Mons

By Sgt. 1st Class Cynthia Perrier
Northern Law Center

The Northern Law Center celebrated Law Day on May 11, at the SHAPE Club. In attendance were Northern Law Center, the USAREUR Judge Advocate, the Staff Judge Advocate from 21st TSC, and multiple members of the local legal community in Mons.

This year's theme was The Legacy of John Adams, From Boston to Guantanamo.

John Adams' role in the 1770 Boston Massacre trials is regarded as a noteworthy example of the defense of commitment to the rule of law and defense of the rights of the accused, even in cases when advocates represent unpopular clients and become involved in matters that generate public controversy. Patriot, advocate, diplomat, constitutional theorist and political activist, Adams became our nation's first lawyer-president in 1797. The 2011 Law Day theme provides us with an opportunity to assess and celebrate the legacy of

John Adams, explore the historical and contemporary role of lawyers in defending the rights of the accused, and renew our understanding of and appreciation for the fundamental principle of the rule of law.

On May 1 the United States celebrates Law Day, U.S.A.. It is meant to reflect on the role of law in the foundation of the country and to recognize its importance for society.

Long before President Dwight D. Eisenhower declared it, May 1st was May Day. A day to remember the struggles of workers who were killed or oppressed in their fight for better wages and working conditions.

Counter to this, Eisenhower proclaimed May 1 (previously known as May Day or International Workers' Day) would now be known as Law Day, U.S.A. in 1958. Its observance was later codified into law by Public Law 87-20 on April 7, 1961.

In contrast, most countries celebrate May Day on the same date, as it is designated Labor Day or International Workers Day. Law Day, U.S.A., along with Loyalty Day, was created to counterbalance these celebrations, which were perceived as communist. On February 5, 1958, President Eisenhower recognized the first Law Day when he proclaimed that henceforth May 1 of each year would be Law Day. He stated "In a very real sense, the world no longer has a choice between force and law. If civilization is to survive it must choose the rule of law."

Now, many local bar associations and legal education associations, such as the Florida Law Related Education Association and the New York State Bar Association, use Law Day as a legal education tool, particularly for students.

Like Earth Day, Law Day is not a government holiday. In fact, few outside the legal community in the United States are even aware of the existence of Law Day. To celebrate Law Day, some local bar associations hold a luncheon, featuring speakers who discuss topics such as justice or the liberties provided for by the United States Constitution. Also, attorneys might visit schools and talk to students about the American legal system.



(from left) Capt. Chad Brinton, Col. Claus Lewenhaupt, Commissaire-Divisionnaire Lozet, and Commissaire-Divisionnaire Michaux discuss law day activities during Law Day 2011.



REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY OR BEHAVIOR

SHAPE/CHIEVRES - DSN 361-5301 or civilian 068-27-5301

SHAPE Police Desk - DSN 423-3333/3334 or civilian 065-44-3333/3334

BRUSSELS - DSN 368-9769 or civilian 02-717-9769.

LOCAL POLICE - Dial 112.

iREPORT

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Soldier Show Carnival theme provides getaway

By Tim Hipps

FMWRC Public Affairs

The 2011 U.S. Army Soldiers Show will be at the SHAPE Alliance Auditorium May 27 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

The carnival concept of the 2011 Show will take audiences on a globe-spanning journey to more fun-filled venues in 90 minutes than some folks experience in a lifetime.

From a boardwalk to a fun house to a circus to a county fair to a time machine, Soldier-entertainers will take their guests on a song and dance tour of carnivals across America and beyond.

"It's an opportunity to actually take the audience on a journey with us," Soldier Show director Victor Hurtado said. "And not just to the continental United States - we have a great international scene."

Africa, Samoa, Latin America, Nepal, with influences from India, Thailand and China are represented in the song-and-dance extravaganza that plays to the strengths of cast members from several countries. Each international scene will feature authentic music from that locale.

This Soldier Show cast features strong instrumentalists on the violin, drums, guitar, keyboards and bass who will keep the performers on the move as they dance from scene to scene. One central character will help keep the show moving by introducing each scene.

"There are a lot of dancers, a lot of movement in the show," Hurtado said. "But there are some great voices as well. And

some great stage presence. We have some great rapper and spoken-word guys, so we have quite a bit of that driving the show."

Patriotism is woven throughout the show that does not so much resemble a military production.

"With MWR, we're in the business of taking Families and Soldiers away from the trials and tribulations of what they're going through, so I think this will definitely inspire the patriotism, but really help you escape and take you to places you wouldn't go all in one day," Hurtado said. "You wouldn't go to the circus, a boardwalk, a country fair, a fun house - in four different areas of the world - and a Fourth of July celebration, all in one day.

"You could never physically do that, but you're going to be able to do that at this show."

"Entertainment for the Soldier, by the Soldier" is the working motto of Army Entertainment Division, which will launch the 106-performance Soldier Show tour from Fort Belvoir, Va., to 61 installations, garrisons and other venues around the United States, Germany and Korea.

"As a group, they've really become very cohesive," Hurtado said.

"We've really been able to get the show together quickly. They've been very engaged. It's pretty amazing where they are already, as far as rehearsals go."

Admission to all shows is free on a first-come, first-seated basis.

Memorial Day Ceremonies

held within driving distance from SHAPE/Chièvres

In Belgium:

May 28 at 10 a.m.

Ardennes American Cemetery

Route du Condroz 164

4121 Neuville-en-Condroz

May 28 at 4 p.m.

Henri-Chapelle American Cemetery

Rue du Mémorial Américain 159

4852 Hombourg

May 29 at 3 p.m.

Flanders Field American Cemetery

Wortegemweg 117

8790 Waregem

May 31 at 2:30 p.m.

Mardasson

in Bastogne.

In the Netherlands:

May 29 at 3 p.m.

Netherlands American Cemetery

Amerikaans Begraafplaats 1

6269 NA Margraten

In France: (one hour driving distance from SHAPE)

May 29 at 3 p.m.

Somme American Military Cemetery

Rue de Macquincourt

02420 Bony

In Luxembourg:

May 28 at 2 p.m.

Luxembourg American Cemetery

in Hamm 3 miles east of Luxembourg City

Brugelette survey

A Belgian agency is surveying projects that could be considered for the future site where the Brugelette sugar beet factory used to be.

They would like to reach out to the American community in order to find out what projects they would like to see included. As of now, they don't have any limit on the variety of the projects which can be sports, cultural, commercial, etc.

Whether you live in the Brugelette area or work on the Air Base, your ideas can be submitted through the Public Affairs Office at dlima-e-beneluxpao@eur.army.mil.

Post Office Hours

The Chièvres and SHAPE postal finance windows and official mail windows will only be open 8 a.m. to 11 a.m June 10 due to an official event.

The parcel pick-up windows will have normal operating hours.

Free music to download

Army Europe Libraries have now added music to their catalog of media available for download from the popular

Army Digital Media Library at <http://army.lib.overdrive.com/>.

To access the free service, library members need an Internet connection, an online library account (username and PIN), which they can obtain by calling, emailing or stopping by the library, and a PC running Windows 98 SE or later.

This service will also work on mobile devices that can play .wma files, including devices listed on Overdrive's web site at <http://www.overdrive.com/resources/drc/>. Currently, this service does not work on Apple devices.

Patrons can search for titles and artists at <http://army.lib.overdrive.com/>. With the simple, browsable online catalog, it's easy to sample new artists and genres or revisit old classics with just a few clicks – and all for free.

Army Europe Libraries subscribe to this service on behalf of its patrons, buying the rights to titles just like it buys copies of books, audio books, DVDs, magazines and music CDs.

For patrons just getting started, there's a help tutorial on the home page of the service in the upper left-hand corner of the page called "My Help!" that walks users step-by-step through the service using the user's exact device at <http://army.lib.overdrive.com/>.

SHAPE Players Presents
Rodgers and Hammerstein's
OK LA HO MA!
 Performs
 May 19, 20, 21,
 26, 27, 28 @ 1930
 May 22 & 29 @ 1500
 June 2, 3, 4 @ 1930
 June 5 @ 1500
 Special Opportunity
 May 21st to benefit
 the Boy Scouts!
 Help Us Fly Fund
 Show and Lunch
 June 5th!!
 Directed by Dan LaMarte
TICKETS-ADULTS: 14€ STUDENTS: 8€ CHILDREN: 6€
BOX OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY THROUGH FRIDAY - CALL 065.44.3312 FOR TICKETS
SHAPE PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE, BUILDING 207 WWW.SHAPEPLAYERS.ORG

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MATURE AUDIENCES ONLY
ARMED FORCES ENTERTAINMENT PRESENTS
NO LAUGH TRACK REQUIRED III
COMEDY WITH A DECIDEDLY LOCO SPIN
 No Laugh Track Required is back and crazier than ever with a lineup that includes the very funny Eric Blake, Heather Marie Zagone, Jefandi Cato, Aurelio Miguel Bocanegra and Nick Guerra.
Saturday, 21 May
2000hrs - Doors Open
2100hrs - Show Starts
 *Open to all US, NATO & SHAPE (Green) ID cardholders.
 Mature Audiences Only
 MWR
Daumerie Caserne • Prime Time Lounge

Commissary Update Case Lot Sale Preparations

The Chièvres Commissary is planning its Fall case lot sale and needs community input.

Use the white Patron Communication Form located at the exit to the Commissary to let Commissary staff know what items you would like to see offered for the case lot sale.

You can also use the form to request specific items you would like to see carried, or to ask other questions to the Commissary staff.

The current form does not have an entry area for an email address, but you can add it to your contact information if you prefer this form of communication.

PATRON COMMUNICATION FORM	
<i>(For use of this form see, DeCAD 40-1; OPR is DO.)</i>	
I would like to request an item:	_____

I would like to suggest:	_____

I would like to compliment:	_____

Please indicate date and time:	Date: _____ Time: _____
NAME:	_____
ADDRESS:	_____
	(Street) ZIP CODE: _____
HOME PHONE:	(City, State) WORK PHONE: _____
<small>PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT: The above information is required for replying to patrons. It will not be used for any other purpose. Lack of the stated information may prevent or delay reply.</small>	
THANK YOU FOR TAKING TIME TO COMMUNICATE!	
<small>DeCA Form 40-54, Oct 91 Supersedes TSA Form 146 and AF 2363</small>	

Emma & Friends Playgroup 0-5 years



Join us: Shape Chapel
 when: Wednesdays (starting May 11, 2011)
 time: 9:30-11:30 am
 All SHAPE families are welcome!
 contact: Cindy 0472823961 or
 Teri 0471795228
 volunteers are needed



Build Your Community



Volunteer!



Chievres Library Needs You!

Hangar 4, (CRC), Chievres Air Base
 Call DSN: 361-5767 or 423-5324
 CIV: (068) 27.5767 or (065) 44.5324

Benelux MWR is looking for volunteers... for the Chievres Library, open to all US Military, Retirees & Civilian ID card holders. Keep your community

Filing a claim with Defense Personal Property System

By *Christine Stacey and CPT Chad Brinton*

Filing a claim for property damaged during a move overseas is not an uncommon occurrence for Soldiers, Family Members and DoD Civilians.

The Defense Personal Property System

Most claims are filed online directly with the Transportation Service Provider. The online system used is known as the Defense Personal Property System. To be sure that your claim should be filed online, check your Personal Property Bill of Lading/Order Number on the Government Bill of Lading or the Notification of loss/damage form. If it begins with four letters, you must file a claim directly with the Transportation Service Provider using the Defense Personal Property System, in order to receive Full Replacement Value.

Creating a DPS account

You may have already created an account at the Military Claims office. If not, you can create an account by going to the www.move.mil website and requesting your DPS account. Click "Log into DPS." Enter the sponsor's SSN in the User's ID block and then enter your DPS password.

Reporting a Loss or Damage

Upon shipment delivery, you and the delivery agent will record immediately recognizable loss or damage on a "NOTIFICATION OF LOSS/DAMAGE AT DELIVERY" form. Loss and/or damage discovered after delivery must be listed on the "NOTIFICATION OF LOSS/DAMAGE AFTER DELIVERY" form. These MUST be entered into DPS by you no later than the 75th day following delivery. As an additional measure to assure that claims are paid, we ask that you bring these documents to the Military Claims Office before the 75th day. The MCO will also put the shipper on notice of loss or damage, and start a file for any future problems.

Notifying of a Loss or Damage

As stated above, notice of any loss or damage must be given to the TSP within 75 days of delivery. Neither the TSP nor the Military Claims Office will pay for loss or damage which is not reported in a timely manner.

Procedure for notice of loss/damage on the DPS website:

- Click on the Claims tab located near the top of the page
- Click Loss/Damage Reports located on the right side of the screen
- Click Add Loss/Damage to create or add a Notice of Loss/Damage and then click the ADD button to begin
- Locate the envelope next to the BOL/GBL Number box and click on it
- Select the correct GBL and click the PICK button in the pop up window that appears
- Complete the input screen by filing in all the mandatory fields and then click SAVE
- Enter the information for an item and press SAVE

Filing a Claim

Sending notice of loss or damage does not constitute the filing of a claim. To have your claim paid, you MUST

FILE directly with the TSP within 9 months from the delivery date of your shipment. You must file your claim by logging into DPS website and selecting the "CLAIMS" tab.

Steps to file a claim in DPS

- Click on the Create Claims tab located on the right of the screen
 - Click on the envelope next to the box for pick the shipment and hit the PICK button
 - Select the envelope next to the appropriate relationship and hit the PICK button
 - Click the ADD & GO button at the bottom of that section
 - Click the ADD button, when the screen changes, locate the Claim and write it down
 - Click on the envelope next to the BOL/GBL Number box under the Claims Detail section
 - Select the appropriate GBL number and click on the PICK button
 - Fill in all mandatory fields and click SAVE
 - Click the PULL LOSS/DAMAGE ITEMS tab
 - Click the ADD button in the ADD/UPDATE CLAIM Items section. You must do this for every lost/damaged item listed at delivery.
 - Fill in all the boxes in that section and click SAVE
- Once you have updated all the fields for all the items you have provided "Notice of loss/damage" then select SUBMIT. If you have not heard from the TSP within 30 days, contact your TSP and check the status of your claim.

Transferring a claim to a military claims office (MCO)

You can transfer your claim to the MCO if you are unsatisfied with the TSP's settlement of your claim. Common reasons include:

- you receive no response from the TSP
- you are dissatisfied with the TSP's proposed settlement of your claim
- the TSP denies all or part of your claim

You must transfer the claim to your local MCO within 2 years from the delivery date. This must be done in person at the Northern Law Center as the online function on DPS to automatically transfer the claim to the MCO does NOT work.

If it is necessary to transfer your claim, the MCO will adjudicate your claim under the prescribed Personnel Claims Act, taking into account depreciation as set forth in the Allowance List-Depreciation Guide. Therefore, any settlement approved by the MCO will be based on depreciated value. You are still eligible for FRV recovery if you provide written proof that within 9 months of delivery you filed for FRV with the TSP. After making a payment to you based on the depreciated value, the MCO will seek to recover the full replacement amount from the responsible TSP, and will make a supplemental payment to the claimant once the money is recovered.

The Military Claims Office at the Northern Law Center understands that the claims process can be complicated and confusing. If you have any questions, please contact us at DSN 423-3502 or civilian 065-44-3502.

Make a Wish

It is too late to register for the 24 hours fun run but you can encourage participants starting at 3 p.m., May 20 to 3 p.m. , May 21 at the SHAPE Field Track.

Benelux/Brussels Finance

The Finance Office located on SHAPE and Brussels will close their offices May 20 at 1 p.m.

Belgian Brown Tax Envelopes

If you received a brown envelope from the Belgian tax services in the Belgian mail, you should drop it off at the U.S. Community Service Center, Bldg. 253 on SHAPE in order for them to prepare a statement of exemption. For more information, call DSN 366-6191 or 065-32-6191.

Boy Scouts selling Oklahoma tickets

Boy Scout Troop 325 will be selling tickets for the May 21 SHAPE Players performance of Oklahoma on the following dates and times: May 17 in the SHAPE American Post Office, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., May 18 at the American Elementary School Science Showcase from 4 to 6 p.m., May 19 at the SHAPE GB from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Oklahoma starts at 7:30 p.m. May 21 at the SHAPE Performing Arts Centre. For the other upcoming performances, check the SHAPE Players flyer in this issue (Boy Scouts will only be selling tickets for the May 21 performance).

Ladies' Day

The SHAPE "Ladies day" to be held May 31, will guide participants through the Town Hall of Mons, a building dating from the second half of the 15th century. A visit to some unique shops is also included as well as a welcome by the Alderman for Tourism and Economic Developemnt at the World Craft Council where an exhibition of contemporary gold-silversmith trade and jewellery from Denmark takes place. This will be followed by an aperitif and a lunch in a local restaurant. The cost is €25 per person. Prior reservation is required by sending an email to dlma-e-beneluxpao@eur.army.mil. The schedule of the day will be as follows:

9 a.m. - Meet at the Events Centre car park and depart for Mons by SHAPE Bus*

9:15 a.m. - Visit of the Town Hall and of the nearby historical streets

10:15 a.m. - Tour of shopping side streets

11:30 a.m. - Visit of an exhibition of contemporary gold-silversmith trade and jewellery from Denmark at the World Craft Council (WCC)

noon - Welcome by Nicolas Martin, Alderman for Tourism and Economical Development and small reception

12:45 p.m. - Lunch in a local restaurant

Free time after lunch

3 p.m. - Meet the SHAPE bus on the Mons square for departure.

*Ladies who live closer to Mons may join us in front of the Tourism office, main square of Mons, at 9:15 a.m., provided they inform the organizers in advance.

Volunteer Opportunity

The USAG Benelux Public Affairs Office is looking for volunteers. Volunteers can assist with photography and writing news



Sunday worship service schedule

SHAPE/Chièvres area

9 a.m. – Catholic Mass at SHAPE Chapel

10:15 a.m. - Anglican service at SHAPE Chapel

11:45 a.m. – Contemporary Protestant service at SHAPE Chapel

For additional information, contact the Chaplain's Office at DSN 361-5381

Jewish Community Liaison: contact DSN 423-4938

Muslim Community Liaison: contact DSN 368-9814

Catholic Mass

Each Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at

11:45 a.m. at the Daumerie American Chapel and

Thursday at 12:15 p.m. at the SHAPE Chapel.

Brussels area

10:30 a.m. – Protestant service at Chaussée de Louvain 13, St. Stevens Woluwe

and features, as well as help plan and support community events. For more information contact Keith Houin at DSN 361-5910 or Civ 068-27-5910. You can also email at dlma-e-beneluxpao@eur.army.mil.

Job Opening at the Dry Cleaning

The dry cleaning services on Chièvres Air Base are looking for an individual to work one or two days intermittently per week or as necessary, starting immediately. Individual must be reliable and flexible. For more information, call DSN 361-5417 or civilian 068-455636.

SHAPE Community Choir

The SHAPE Community Choir is an international choir open to all Shapians adults and High School students. Ability to read music is not a requirement. The choir meets every Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the SHAPE East Chapel. For more information, call DSN 423-8326 or civilian 065-44-8326.

Local Basketball Club is looking for U.S. coach

The JSE Enghien Basketball club is looking for a U.S. coach for its youth teams, 9 to 12 years old or 16 to 18 years old. They practice twice a week with a game on Saturdays at Petit-Enghien. For information, please call 0485/674396 (English spoken).

Job Opening

Choctaw Profession Resources Enterprise is seeking qualified applicants for the position of New Parent Support Program Home Visitor for the SHAPE/Chièvres community.

Candidates must be a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) or Licensed RN with a BSN. For information, call DSN 379-6522 or civilian 0049-6202-80-6522.

Education

University of Maryland

- UMUC is offering a \$500 scholarship this summer to eligible military family members. The application and eligibility requirements are available on our website at the following link http://www.ed.umuc.edu/financial_aid/militaryfamilyscholarship.html.
- UMUC Summer Session 1 Registration is ongoing through June 5 for on-site courses and ongoing through June 12 for online courses. Please visit www.ed.umuc.edu for class schedules or contact your local UMUC Field Representative at DSN 423-5173/Civilian 065-44-5173.

University of Oklahoma

The University of Oklahoma is accepting applications for Master of Arts in International Relations. Accelerated class and program format. On-site and online classes are available. No GRE requirements. For more information, call DSN 423-3654 or civilian 065-44-3654.

Central Texas College

Central Texas College offers online classes leading to an Associate's degree or certificate in Criminal Justice, Early Childhood Professions, Applied Management/Military Science, Hospitality Management and certificates for Fire Science.

||| BELGIAN NEWS |||

By Cis Spook

USAG Benelux Public Affairs

Incident at the Brussels airport

The airport in Zaventem could not be reached for several hours last Tuesday night after a serious incident between the police and a taxi driver had taken place.

The police was checking the licenses of the taxi drivers at Brussels Airport when the incident started. Taxi drivers working in the city of Brussels often don't have a license to carry passengers to and from the airport in Zaventem because the taxi licenses are valid per province and Zaventem is located in another province as downtown Brussels. According to witnesses, one taxi driver tried to dodge the checks despite being stopped by police.

In order to stop him, the police had to fire at the driver who was injured in the shoulder. Some 200 other taxi drivers blocked the road between Brussels and the airport to protest.

Ex-wife of Belgian pedophile Marc Dutroux to be released

In 2004, Michelle Martin was sentenced to 30 years imprisonment for her part in the Dutroux case. She was found guilty on charges relating to the confinement of 6 young girls. For two of them, the extra charge of torture was added, as she left the children starve to death. Three earlier requests for release had been rejected. This time, the judge decided that she meets the conditions that had been set. She now should be released after spending 15 years in prison. One of the obligations includes for Martin to join a religious community in France but the French Minister of Justice has not approved the request for Martin to stay in France.

Belgian dies in Tour of Italy

Wouter Weylandt, a Belgian who participated in the bicycle tour of Italy, has died in a heavy crash. The accident happened during the 173 kilometer stage between Reggio Emilia and Rapallo. The fall was at high speed, some 20

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kilometers from the end of the stage.

Direct rail link Antwerpen to China

The port of Antwerp is starting a direct rail link with inland China. The project is focused on freight transport and its main goal is to gain time. Goods could be delivered in 20 to 25 days, compared to 40 days by ship.

Mammoth found in West Flanders

The remains of a mammoth, a wild horse and a wisent have all been recovered from a clay quarry in the West Flemish town of Roeselare. Archaeologists also found tool parts during their dig. The find is thought to be some 12,000 years old, and is important because it proves that there was human habitation at that time.

Dolphine Roxanne

Dolphin Roxanne at the Bruges dolphinarium is pregnant. She is expecting twins which is very exceptional. If everything goes well from now until October, she could become the first dolphin ever to give birth to two baby dolphins while in captivity.

White storks at Ghlin

A couple of white storks has taken residency in Ghlin. According to his ring, the male stork comes from Planckendaal and the female one probably arrived in Belgium after migration. The population of white storks in Western Europe had decreased to a point where it almost totally disappeared. In this part of Belgium, it has been several years since storks were nesting here.

Doudou Monopoly

A couple of weeks ago, it was announced that a special edition of Monopoly on the Doudou Festival was to come out just prior to the 2011 Mons festivities. You can now reserve your copy of the 2,500 Doudou Monopoly games at <http://monopolydoudou.be>.

Through 20 May

- **Keukenhof, the Netherlands.** This year's theme at the famous bulb flowers park is "Germany, Land of Poets and Philosophers." Keukenhof is located at Stationsweg, 166a at 2161 AM Lisse, the Netherlands. Open daily from 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Front desk closed at 6 p.m. Entrance fees are €14,50 per person and €7 for children between 4 and 11. Parking fee is €6.

Through 28 May

- **Kunstenfestivaldesarts in Brussels** - Theatre, music, dance, film, visual arts. This festival not only presents the cultural diversity of the country, but also invites a large number of foreign groups. There are a large number of first performances, testing out their audience for future developments. For information and booking, visit www.kfda.be.



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Through - 22 May

- **Botanique Nights in Brussels** - Music festival featuring reggae, French songs, electro and rock at the Botanique, the cultural center of the French community. For the full schedule and ticket information, check www.botanique.be.

20 May

- **Romantic Russian Music - Piano concert in Mons** with Jean-Claude Vandeneynnden, winner of the Queen Elisabeth Musical contest. Concert starts at 8 p.m. at the Auditoire Mgr Daubin des FUCaM on Chaussée de Binche 151. Cost is €15.

21 May

- **Concert of local artists in Ath** starting at 7:30 p.m. on the Esplanade, Rue Jean Jaurès, 7.
- **Musical Nights in Silly.** Concerts are being held either in Silly or Thoricourt with free shuttle busses going from one location to the other. First concert starts at 8 p.m. on the square. For full program, check <http://ddata.over-blog.com/4/04/40/38/2011/Que-faire-a-Silly/201105NuitMusiquePart2.pdf>. Cost is €10.

22 May

- **Volksmarch in Leval-Trahegnies (Binche)** for 25, 18, 12, 6 or 4 km from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. with departure on Rue Salvator Allende, 208. Volksmarch in Flobecq for 5, 10, 20 km departing from the school on rue de la Crête, 32, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Anderlecht** for 30, 21, 14 or 7 km from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. departing from the school on rue des Fruits, 73.
- **Volksmarch in Steenkerque** for 20, 10 or 5 km starting on rue de Turenne, 4 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Market** of jewels and accessories makers in Tournai, rue de la Lys, 87 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Highland Games Mc Sinclair** starting 12 p.m. at Château de Gaasbeek in Lennik: Scottish market, Scottish games of strength, entertainment for children, music and Celtic dances.
- **Avenue de Tervuren Festival:** Flea market with more than 500 booths, music groups all over the avenue. Fun games for children, drinks and food for adults. Preparation and serving of an omelet made with 10,000 eggs. From 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
- **Flea Market in Oeudeghien** (140 booths), in the Espace Leulier from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Flea market in Ghlin** (400 booths) on Rue du Grand Large from 5 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Flea market in Nivelles** on the square from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **Flea Market (300 booths) in Uccle on Chaussée de Waterloo** from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Flea market in Woluwe-St-Lambert** (250 booths) at the Clos des Peupliers from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- **Flea Market in Ghlin** at the School for the Blind on 2, Rue du Temple from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.

27-29 May

- **Brussels Jazz Marathon** - Some 125 free concerts will be held on the Brussels squares. Big bands and famous soloists play in open air and smaller bands play in bars. You can go from one to the other concert by using the special buses. For more information, check www.brusselsjazzmarathon.be.

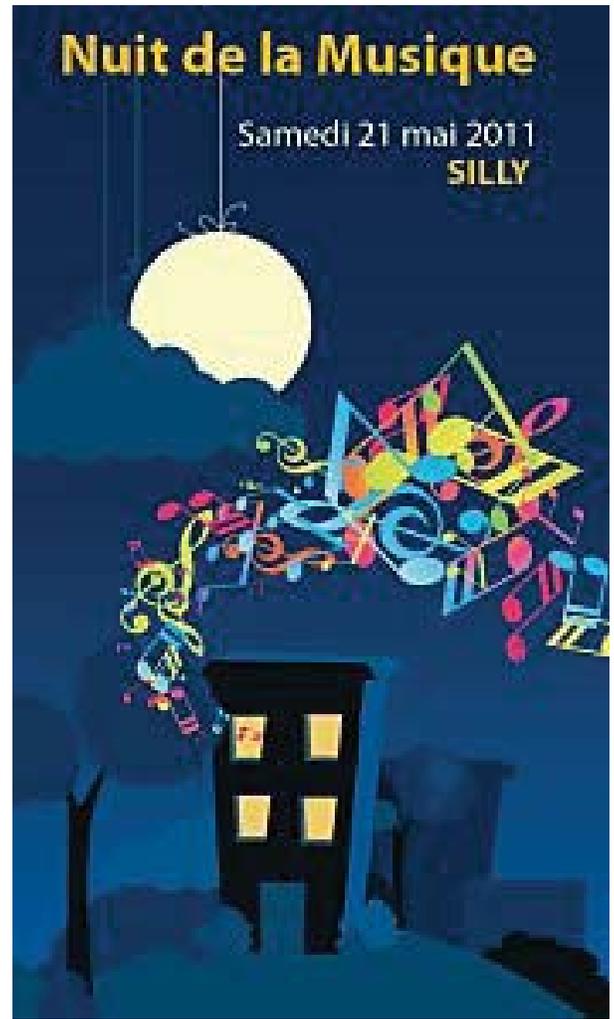
- **Local bands festival in Beloeil** – On Friday, parades and concerts starting at 7 p.m. with the Beloeil band and the Huissignies Band. Saturday concerts start at 3 p.m. with the Chièvres, Lombise, Tourpes, Brugelette bands. Sunday, concerts start at 11:45 with the Basècles, Moulbaix, Ere, Thieulain and Saint Sauveur bands. All concerts are free of charge. Possibility to have lunch (pork on the grill) at 16 Euros. Prior registration for lunch is required and can be made at DSN 361-5343 or civilian 068-275343.

28 May

- **The circus night in Villers-la-Ville** from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.: clowns, acrobats and artists at the ruins of the abbey.
- **Flea market (150 booths) in Ixelles** on Chaussée de Boondaël, 579 from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Flea market in Molenbeek-Saint-Jean** on Avenue du Karreveld from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Flea market (350 booths) in Evere** on Rue Verdonck and Rue Alderson from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Flea market in Etterbeek (300 booths)** on Place Van Meyel from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.

29 May

- **Volksmarch in Bassilly** for 30, 20, 12, 8 or 4 from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. starting on Rue de la Procession.
- **Volksmarch in Ronquières** for 20, 10 or 5 km starting on Rue de Nivelles, 32 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **20km Run of Brussels.** Departure from the esplanade of the Cinquantenaire. Registration and more information at 20km.chronorace.be.
- **Nautical flea market in Ixelles** (Brussels) at Quarter Châtelin-Bailli from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Flea market in Strépy-Bracquegnies** on Rue Saint Julien from 12:30 to 9 p.m. All profits go to sick children.
- **Flea market in Boussu** at the school on 13, Rue de Caraman from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Flea market in Casteau at Saint Alfred**, 184, Chaussée de Bruxelles 184 from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Entrance fee is €1.
- **Flea market in Binche** (downtown – 200 booths) from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Flea market in Gibecq** (Ath) on the square from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



International Marches

- **European March of Remembrance and Friendship**, 28 – 29 – 30 June and 1 July, Approximately 32 or 15 km each day. Possibility to register for lodging on www.marche-mesa-be.
- **Luxembourg Army March**, 18 – 19 June, 20 or 40 km each day. Possibility to register for lodging on www.marche.lu. Departure from Diekirch, in Luxembourg
- **Four days of the Yser**, International March organized by the Belgian Defense, 24 – 27 August. 32, 24, 16 or 8 km each day. Different walk options and registration are available at www.mil.be/vierdaagse.

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- **Rock Werchter Festival**, 30 June – 3 July. This is the 37th edition of this rock festival held in the Flemish Brabant. Featured artists include The Black Eyed Peas, Linkin Park, Underworld, Magnetic Man, Hurts, Goose and many more. €76 for one-day ticket on pre-sale and €195 for a four-day pass on pre-sale. For detailed schedule and tickets, visit www.rockwerchter.be.
- **Dour Festival**, 14 – 17 July. Dour Festival in Dour (Mons area), on Site de la Machine à Feu. European alternative music event for music lovers. Bands and festival-goers from all over Europe gather at Dour every summer. 200 bands on 7 stages and one campsite. €93 for a four-day pass (€110 camping included) on pre-sale. One-day ticket will be for sale later. Detailed program and tickets on www.dourfestival.be.
- **Power Prog and Metal fest - PPM fest in Mons**, 30 April at the Lotto Mons Expo on 2 Avenue Thomas Edison. 2 stages, 18 bands. With the participation of Europe, Hammerfall, Edguy, ... Entrance fee is €65 per person (€55 on pre-sale). Doors open at 10 a.m. For pre-sale location and detailed program, visit www.ppmfest.com.
- **Couleur Café in Brussels**, 24-26 June. at the Tours and Taxis site on Avenue du Port 86c. Couleur Café is dedicated to all currents of urban music across the world including R'nB, hip hop, reggae, dub, flamenco, salsa, zouk, folk, pop and electronic music. Entrance is €43 per person per day (€35 on pre-sale); three-day pass is €76 (€91 camping included). For tickets and detailed program, visit www.couleurcafe.be.
- **Musical Night in Beloeil**, 27 August. This year, the event will feature the Brussels Philharmonic and José Van Dam. More information in future editions of the Gazette.

SHAPE Trips & Tours

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

- **Castles of Luxemburg, May 21.** Spend the day in three of Luxemburg's most well known castles (Vianden, Bourscheid, and Beaufort). Bring a picnic lunch and spend time with your family on this historical tour. Departs SHAPE at 7 a.m. and returns at 9:30 p.m. Price: €67 Adults, €60 Children (6-12), €50 Children (0-5) **Includes entrance to all three castles, does not include lunch.
- **Dover and Canterbury, May 28.** Explore the Dover Castle and and tour the war tunnels. After lunch, visit to Canterbury, where you will have free time to see and explore the Cathedral, Canterbury Tales and other attractions. Price: €70 Adult, €65 Child (5-15), €55 Child (0-4).
- **Disneyland Paris, June 2.** Come experience the happiest place on earth. Departs SHAPE at 8 a.m. and returns at 11 p.m. Price: €95 Adults, €90 Youth 3-11, €50 Children 0-2.
- **Châteaux of France, June 4.** The first stop will be Fontainebleau, home of more royal courts than there is space to mention (some of the more noteworthy residents prior to the Revolution were: King Henri IV and Queen Marie Antoinette). It's easy to understand why this was a favorite royal residence. With flowing gardens, fountains and waterways. This chateau is home to one of the finest museums of historical paintings in France and is second only to the Louvre in Paris. Spend the day exploring French history. Price: Adults: €78 Children: €60 (0-16) Departs SHAPE at 6 a.m. and returns at 10 p.m.
- **Amsterdam and Dutch windmills, June 11.** The first stop will be the UNESCO world heritage site Kinderdijk, famed for its many windmills and beautiful setting. The next stop is Zaanse Schans, a popular destination for visitors in search of a bit of Oud Holland (Old Holland). Last stop will be Amsterdam, where you will have time to eat dinner, walk the unique streets or take a carriage ride through the city. (5 Hours in Amsterdam) Price: €45 Departs at 6:30 a.m. and returns at midnight.
- **Oxford & Cambridge overnight, June 11-12.** Home to the oldest University in Britain, Oxford is an architectural marvel. On day one, you will have time to explore this beautiful town, home to royalty and scholars for over 800 years. See all the main sites using your 24 hour hop-on hop-off tour ticket. After a night and a breakfast in a four star hotel, we will head to Cambridge. Be inspired by the many beautiful museums and art galleries and admire the beautiful architecture and majestic college buildings. Price: Double Room €225, Single Room €300, Triple Room €200 per person. Departs SHAPE at 7 a.m. and returns Saturday at 11 p.m.
- **Paris, June 18.** Whether you're strolling along the Seine or soaking up city life from a sidewalk café, you'll see why Paris is synonymous with the word style. Of course, you can't miss the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe, and the Louvre. But be sure to spend a quiet moment in the Jardin des Tuileries and savor an éclair from a patisserie or a glass of Beaujolais in a romantic bistro. From culinary delights to cultural sights, haute couture to heady romance, Paris will tempt every one of your senses. Departs SHAPE at 8 a.m. and returns at midnight. Price: €40.

May 17

- **ADHD Resource Group** - Meets from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. at the SHAPE Army Community Services Bldg 318. For more information, call ACS at DSN 423-7598 or civilian 065-44-7598.
- **Anger and Conflict Management Class** - Meets from 10:30a.m. to noon at the SHAPE Army Community Services Bldg 318. For more information, call ACS at DSN 423-5263 or civilian 065-44-5263.

May 18

- **Preschool Story Time** - Meets from 10 to 10:30 a.m. at the SHAPE International Library and helps preschoolers build confidence, learn socialization skills and make friends. There is no fee for this program. For more information, call the library at DSN 423-5631 or civilian 065-44-5631.
- **Infant Massage Class** - Meets every Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the SHAPE Healthcare Facility second floor conference room. Expectant mothers and mothers with newborns and up are welcome. Mats and oils are provided. No pre-registration is required. Open to all U.S., NATO and SHAPE ID cardholders. Call ACS DSN 423-4274 or civilian 065-44-4274 for more information.
- **Alcoholics Anonymous** - The English speaking SHAPE Alcoholics Anonymous Group meets on Wednesdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the SHAPE International Chapel, Bldg. 601, room 51. Members support one another's 12 Step recovery program and freely share their AA story with newcomers. Family members, friends, and anyone interested in AA are welcomed to attend. For recorded message with telephone contact #'s, call 049-405-8137. For English speaking meetings in Brussels and throughout Europe see <http://www.aa-europe.net/> <<http://www.aa-europe.net/>> .
- **Breastfeeding Support** - The group meets from 10 to 11 a.m. in the SHAPE Healthcare Facility 2nd floor conference room. For more information call SHAPE WIC Overseas at 065-44-5971.

May 19

- **Asperger/Autism Support Group** - If you or someone you know has been diagnosed with Asperger Syndrome or Autism Spectrum Disorder, join us for education and support in a safe, confidential environment from 1 to 2 p.m. at the RendezVous Café next to the GB on SHAPE. For more information and to register, contact ACS at DSN 423-7598 or civilian 065-44-7598.

May 21

- **Family Fun Night** - 5:30 to 9 p.m. Prices will be \$3.00 admission for everyone ages 3 and up. \$5 Skate rental. The Patriot will be serving dinner from 5 to 8:30 p.m. \$7 adults and \$5 for kids under 12. (no outside food is allowed) Activities include skating, board games and video games in the Patriot, a bouncy castle. Information: DSN 361-6268 or CIV 068.276268

May 24

- **Page Turners Book Discussion Group** will meet at 5:30 at the SHAPE International Library. The group will discuss "*The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*" by Rebecca Skloot. Registration is not required and there is no fee. For more information, call DSN 423-5631 or civilian 065-44-5631.
- **The Illuminati**, a book club for preteens and teens meets at 4:30 p.m. at the SHAPE International Library to discuss "*Ship Breaker*" by Paolo Bacigalupi. Registration is not required and there is no fee. For more information, call DSN 423-5631 or civilian 065-44-5631.

New Fitness Center Hours

The following Chièvres Air Base Fitness Center hours go into effect today: Monday - Friday from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday, Sunday and U.S. Holidays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., USAREUR Holidays from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

ACS New Operating Hours

The new operating hours for Army Community Services are Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Friday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Play Morning

Until further notice, the play morning classes held every Tuesday and every second Saturday of the month, have been interrupted.

SHAPE Players

The 2011 Theater Summer Camp will begin 27 June for 5 weeks and will culminate with 4 performances. The fee is €275 and includes T-shirt and snacks.

Theater Summer Camp children will be introduced to the craft of acting and various aspects of theater including creative choreography and musical staging, costume design and development, property management, set design and building, lighting effects, sound development and marketing. Spaces are limited.

To register and for more information, call DSN 423-3312 or 065-44-3312.

AT USAG BRUSSELS

21 May

- **Memorial Day Fun Run** at 9 a.m. Adults can enjoy a 5K run/walk or 10K run, or enter our Heroes Challenge Biathlon (10K Run / 10K Bike). \$15 Registration before May 21 (includes T-Shirt). \$20 Registration on the day of event. To sign up or for more information contact the USAG Brussels Fitness Center at 368-9667 or CIV 02-717-9667. For children and youth we will also be having our Armed Forces Day Kids Run. Children 5 years and older can participate in this event held throughout the world and receive a free T-Shirt while honoring our armed forces. Contact CYS Service Youth Sports at 368-9680 or 02-717-9680 for more information.

FITNESS CLASSES

All classes are held at the USAG Brussels Fitness Center in Bldg. 3 and are free of charge. For more information, call 02-717-9667.

- **New: Big Will's Body Shop** - Sessions are from 1 to 2 p.m. and from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. every Mon, Wed and Fri.
- **Body Pump** - Every Sat from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and every Tue from 6 to 7 p.m.,
- **Spin Class** - Every Mon and Thu from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
- **Yoga** - Every Mon, Wed and Fri from 10 to 11 a.m.
- **Individualized Strength Training** - Every Tue and Thu from 1 to 2 p.m.
- **Step Aerobics** - Every Wed, Fri from 6 to 7 p.m.
- **Zumba** - Every Sat from 11 a.m. to noon and every Mon from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- **Fitness Program** - Starts May 1 through October 31. By joining the program you may be eligible for three hours of duty time per week to exercise. Application packets are available at the USAG Brussels Fitness Center.
- **Adult Intramural Softball League** - starts June 18. To sign your team up or for more information, contact USAG Brussels Fitness Center.

The Fitness Center is open Mon-Fri from 5 a.m. to 8 p.m., Sat and Sun from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Holiday hours are from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call the Fitness Center at DSN 368-9667.

Adult Intramural Softball League

SHAPE Trips & Tours

USAG Brussels Family & MWR is now partnering with the SHAPE Trips and Tours program. Now you can enjoy all of the great tours SHAPE offers and catch the bus from either USAG Brussels or the Sterrebeek Annex depending on the tour. Reservations/Payments are made by calling SHAPE Trips and Tours at 32 (0) 65-44-3884 Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Fridays from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tell them that you will be catching the bus from Brussels and if you have a SHAPE ID card. If you don't have a SHAPE ID card, that's OK, you will be placed on an access roster for the trip. See page 12 for a listing of the upcoming trips.

Tank crewman Ryan Anderson was discovered attempting to contact Muslim extremists through an Internet chat room. Turns out the specialist had converted to Islam and was passing information on U.S. troops and weapons to jihadists. Anderson was sentenced to life in prison.

Sometimes it's the little things.

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