

# THE GAZETTE

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## Benelux news briefs

### Shoppette closes one day

The Schinnen Shoppette will be closed for annual inventory Jan. 12.

### Big sales this month

Belgium's winter sales are going on this month. Belgium's big sales ("solden" in Dutch, "soldes" in French) are only twice a year: Jan. 3 to 31 and July 1 to 31. If Jan. 3 or July 1 falls on a Sunday, the deals may begin the day before.

### CAC/ID Card Office awaits new machine

The machine that produces the common access card, or CAC, (not the ID cards) in Brussels is broken. A new machine has been ordered.

For details, call the Brussels CAC/ID Card Office at DSN 368-9847 or civilian 02-7179847, or SHAPE CAC/ID Card Office at DSN 366-6291 or 065-326291.

### Spec Ops visits Benelux

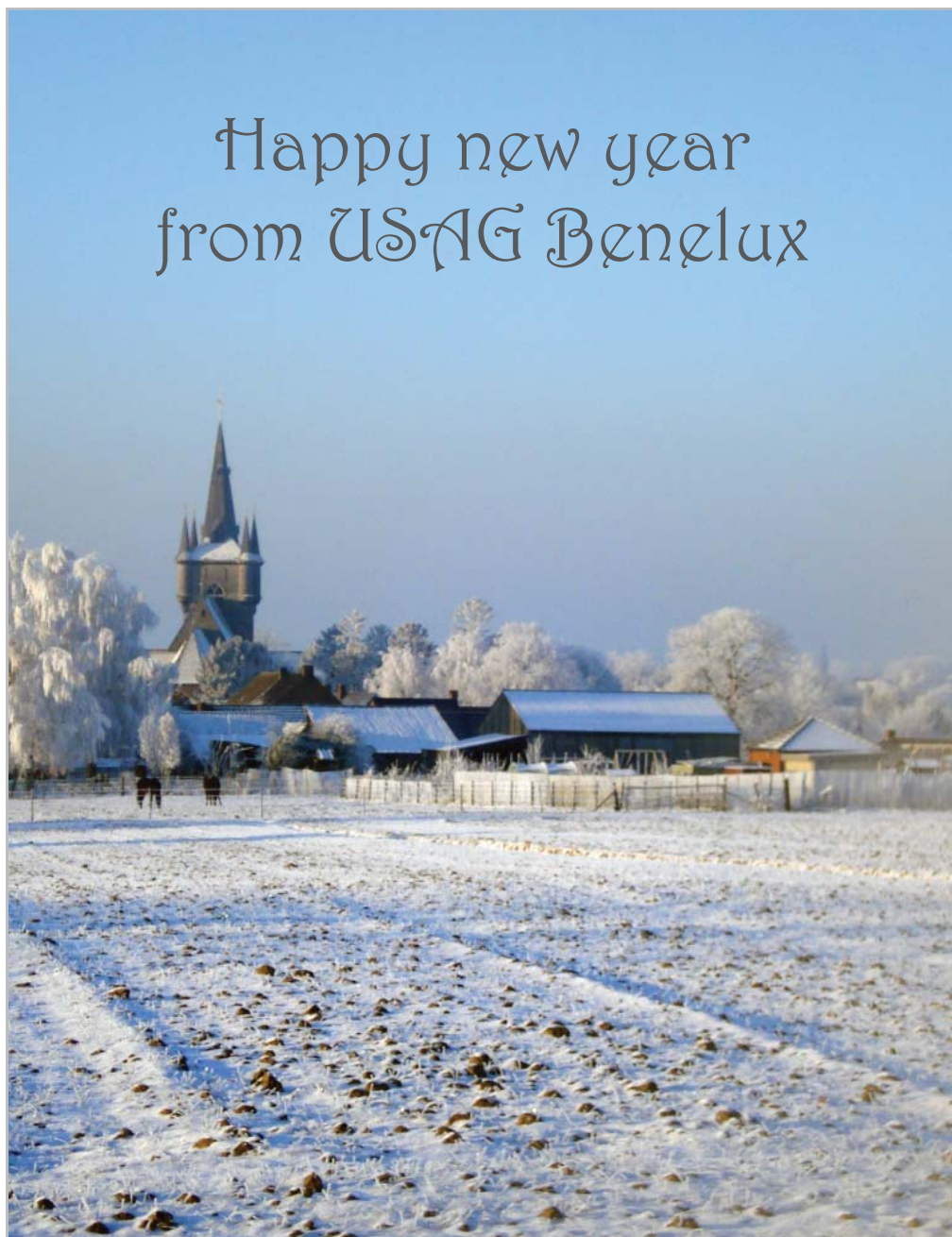
U.S. Army Special Operations Recruiting will hold briefings on careers in Special Forces, Psychological Operations and Civil Affairs Jan. 20 on Caserne Daumerie, Jan. 21 on SHAPE and Jan. 22 at JFC Brunssum.

For details, email usarmy.knox.usarec.list.9s1e@mail.mil.

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from USAG Benelux



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St. Martin Church in Chièvres figures prominently in the snowy landscape in this archive photo. To learn about driving in winter weather and preparing your vehicle for emergencies in case you get stranded,

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## FREEDOM 6 SENDS

# 'NATO Ready' requires cultural awareness

by Lt. Gen. Ben Hodges

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Happy new year, and welcome 2015.

I hope you've enjoyed some much-deserved time off and were able to spend it with family and friends. I'm glad to have spent Christmas visiting our troops in Kosovo and Turkey. These missions, where we serve alongside our Allies, may not be in the news regularly, but they are vital to the collective defense and assurance of Europe as well as deterrence of potential enemies.

This year, we're going to keep up our pace moving forward with Operation Atlantic Resolve. Elements from our own 2nd Cavalry Regiment and, later, 3rd Infantry Division from Fort Stewart, Georgia, will be the first two rotational forces this year.

The 4th Infantry Division's headquarters from Fort Carson, Colorado, will send personnel to take over OAR mis-

sion command, a role that USAREUR personnel filled in 2014.

In December, I introduced the Strong Europe framework. It aims to create beneficial opportunities for the United States and our Allies, improve interoperability and capacity with Allies and Partners, and facilitate U.S. and NATO logistical infrastructure to ease movement between member nations.

This year we need to think about being NATO Ready. I'm challenging Army Europe to determine how we can be NATO Ready as the Alliance transitions away from operations in Afghanistan and faces new – and some re-emerging – global threats and challenges.

The first step is to work regularly with all levels of the NATO command, including headquarters, simulation centers and other agencies. My end goal is to ensure we support and enable the Allied Land Command, the current NATO Response Force Corps, and NATO Centers of Excellence.

Second, Army Forces – both those assigned to Europe and those here as part of the Regionally Aligned Force – must be capable of conducting operations with the NATO Very High Readiness Joint Task Force (VJTF) and the NATO Response Force.

Finally, our leaders need to be trained or educated in NATO policies, procedures, standards and doctrine to help ensure



Lt. Gen. Ben Hodges

seamless integration with our Allies.

Of course, achieving NATO Ready requires time in the field and on the range, but it doesn't all happen there. We have to talk to our counterparts in our Allied land forces regularly. We need to sit next to them at conferences, seminars and classes. We need to know their culture and show them a bit of ours.

As always, thank you for all that you are doing here every day in support of our mission and in support of our Allies. I am proud to serve by your side as this new year begins.

Army Strong! Strong Europe!

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# Martin Luther King celebrated in Benelux

## *Volunteerism has been recurrent theme*

Civil-rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. left a legacy of his speeches, among which are "I Have a Dream" and "I've Been to the Mountaintop" and his writings, including "Letter from a Birmingham Jail."

However, these make up only a small part of the mark he left on society, increasing the equality guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution by using civil disobedience, not violence.

In 1959, King went to India to study the ways of "Mahatma" Mohandas Gandhi and visited with Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, the first prime minister of independent India, who had been one of Gandhi's followers.

In 1964, at the age of 35, King was

honored for his leadership of the Civil Rights Movement and was the youngest recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize.

The 650th Military Intelligence Group and the USAG Benelux military community will hold a breakfast in the SHAPE Club Jan. 14 from 8 to 10 a.m., to honor the social activist.

The guest speaker at the MLK observance is scheduled to be Gavin E. Wainwright, a budget analyst on SHAPE.

The federal holiday honoring King's contribution to nonviolent social change has, for many years, had a recurring theme focusing on volunteerism: "Remember! Celebrate! Act! A Day On, Not A Day Off."



Gavin Wainwright

# Boy Scouts asks community to share expertise

The merit badge program is one of Boy Scouting's basic measurement tools. Earning merit badges gives a Boy Scout the kind of self-confidence that comes from overcoming obstacles to achieve a goal.

Through the merit badge program, a Boy Scout also learns career skills, develops socially and may develop physical skills and hobbies that give a lifetime of healthful recreation.

This program cannot succeed without the volunteers from the SHAPE/Chièvres community who serve as merit-badge counselors. Each merit-badge counselor is an expert or enthusiast in a particular subject and is interested in helping scouts grow into men of character, ready to take their place in the world as participating citizens.

Troop 325 would like to invite anyone who is interested in the Boy Scouts of America and its Merit Badge Program to serve as a merit-badge counselor. You don't have to have been a Boy Scout; you don't have to have a boy in Troop 325.

To qualify as a valid merit-badge counselor in the Transatlantic Council, you must:

- Be at least 18 years old.
- Be proficient in the merit-badge subject by vocation or avocation.
- Be able to work with scout-aged boys.
- Be registered with the Boy Scouts of America by completing a simple form (Merit Badge Counselor Application Form) and a short, online course called "Youth Protection Training."

Merit badges cover more than 130 wide-ranging subjects, including the arts, crafts, hobbies, sports, various trades, professions, service and self-improvement areas. View the list at <http://www.scouting.org/Home/BoyScouts/GuideforMeritBadgeCounselors/IntroToMeritBadges.aspx>.

If you are interested in becoming a merit-badge counselor, contact Troop 325 at [shapetroop325@gmail.com](mailto:shapetroop325@gmail.com).

# Eagle Scouts vie for American Legion scholarship

The American Legion offers a national scholarship to be awarded to the Eagle Scout who is selected "The American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year."

The American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year will receive a \$10,000 scholarship. Three second-place scholarship awards will be given in the amount of \$2,500 each. The scholarship recipients will be eligible to receive their scholarships immediately upon graduation from a state-accredited high school (public, parochial, military, private or home school) and must use the total award within four years of high-school graduation, excluding active military duty.

The scholarship may be used to attend a school selected by the student providing it is state-accredited, above the high-school level, and within the

continental limits of the United States, except in the case where the student may be from a possession of the United States, in which case he can select a school in that possession or in the continental United States.

Deadline date to American Legion Post BE02 is March 1. For an application or for more information, contact Post BE02 at [flanders.fields.post.be02@gmail.com](mailto:flanders.fields.post.be02@gmail.com).

## Eligibility requirements

The nominee must:

- Be a registered, active member of a Boy Scout troop, varsity scout team, or Venturing crew chartered to an American Legion post, American Legion Auxiliary unit or Sons of The American Legion squadron; or
- Be a registered, active member of a chartered Boy Scout troop, varsity scout

team, or Venturing crew, and the son or grandson of a Legionnaire or Auxiliary member; and

- Have earned the Eagle Scout Award;
- Be an active member of his religious institution and must have received the appropriate Boy Scout religious emblem;
- Have demonstrated practical citizenship in church, school, scouting and community;
- Have reached his 15th birthday and be enrolled in high school at the time of selection; and
- Reside in the department to which he applies (Europe for Benelux Eagle Scouts).

Eagle Scouts still in high school who reached their 18th birthday during the nomination year remain eligible if otherwise qualified.

# Winter safety: What's in your trunk?

by Art Powell

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Travel, no matter the time of the year, has a common denominator: preparation. You wouldn't leave on a summer vacation without first checking your vehicle and you shouldn't travel, even a short distance, during winter without being prepared.

When a major winter storm slammed the South in January 2014, Atlanta traffic was virtually paralyzed when a combination of sleet and snow rendered all roadways hazardous and, in many cases, impassable. Georgia and five other southeastern states were declared to be in a state of emergency following hundreds of accidents that led to fatalities and injuries.

Thousands of motorists who found themselves stranded realized what they did — or didn't — have in their trunks suddenly became very important.

"Everyone should know what's in their trunk when they get on the road during winter," said Walt Beckman, program manager of the U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center's Driving Directorate. "Not just for long road trips, but short ones, too, such as driving to work. You don't need to travel far to encounter trouble from winter driving conditions."

Winter driving statistics provide the cold facts on why it's important to be prepared.

"According to the National Weather Service, 70 percent of fatalities related to ice and snow happen in automobiles, and staying warm and well hydrated are the most important things to consider if you're stranded in your car," Beckman said. "To help avoid finding yourself in that situation, use the technology available today to check the weather before getting on the road."

Technology — such as radios that receive over-the-air current, local weather conditions and forecasts, along with cellphones to access online weather data — add a new dimension to travel safety. Your phone allows you to contact

someone should you need assistance and affordable GPS units identify your location, if needed. But these devices are only as good as their batteries so make sure they're charged before you hit the road. Adapters for using your vehicle's power to operate them are also a wise investment.

"Tell someone when you're expected to be at your destination and what route you're traveling," Beckman said. "That way, if you fail to show up and no one has heard from you, they'll know where to begin searching."

While technology is valuable for any travel, don't forget the basics.

"Stock your vehicle with essentials you might need in the event of an emergency," said David Friedman, deputy administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. "They'll prove useful if you become stranded."

The website <http://www.ready.gov> lists jumper cables, flashlights and extra batteries,

first-aid supplies, food items — such as energy bars, nuts and canned fruit — and a can opener as must-have items for winter vehicle emergency kits.

Water for each person and pet in the vehicle is important, along with a battery-powered or hand-cranked radio. Other smart ideas include a shovel and ice scraper as well as cat litter that can be used to gain traction in slippery road conditions.

You may think a jacket is all you need to stay warm, but a blanket, gloves, hat and sleeping bag are also good ideas. These items will keep you warm should you find yourself in your vehicle for an extended time.

Besides emergency supplies, it's always smart to start your journey with a full tank of gas and keep it at least half full. Should you become stranded, be safe and stay in your car, activate your flashers, call for help and wait for it to arrive.

For more information on winter safety, visit <https://safety.army.mil>.



## Heed tips for driving in wintry weather

Winter time is often synonymous with treacherous driving conditions and is then a good reason to remind motorists of some basic do's and don'ts to survive winter driving:

- Accelerate and decelerate slowly. Applying the gas slowly to accelerate is the best method for retraining traction and avoiding skids. Don't try to get moving in a hurry. Your best traction comes just before your wheels start to spin. Be sure to take time to slow down for a stoplight. Remember, it takes longer to slow down on icy roads.

- Drive slowly. Everything takes longer on snow-covered roads. Accelerating, stopping, turning - nothing happens as quickly as on dry pavement. Give yourself time to maneuver by driving slowly.

- The normal, dry-pavement following distance of two to three seconds should be increased to eight to 10 seconds. This increased margin of safety in front will provide the longer distance needed if you have to stop.

- Know your brakes. With antilock brakes, the best way to stop is threshold breaking. Keep the heel of your foot on the floor and use the ball of your foot to apply firm, steady pressure on the brake pedal.

- Don't stop if you can avoid it. There's a big difference in the amount of inertia it takes to start moving from a full stop versus how much it takes to stay moving while still rolling. If you can slow down enough to keep rolling until an upcoming traffic light changes, do it.

- Don't power up hills. Applying extra gas on snow-covered roads just starts your wheels spinning. Try to get a little inertia going before you reach the hill, and let that inertia carry you to the top. As you reach the crest of the hill, reduce your speed and proceed downhill as slowly as possible.

- Don't stop going up a hill. There's nothing worse than trying to get moving up a hill on an icy road. Get some inertia going on a flat roadway before you take on the hill.

- Stay home. If you really don't have to go out, don't. Even if you can drive well in the snow, not everyone else can. Don't tempt fate: If you don't have somewhere you have to be, watch the snow from indoors.



# Experience Scotland without even leaving SHAPE: Sign up for Burns Night Ball, get free dance lessons

by Dr. Gregory Pedlow

SHAPE historian

Go to a great Scottish party, and you won't even have to leave SHAPE. Each year, people all over the world gather at the end of January to celebrate the birthday of Scotland's famous national poet, Robert Burns (1759-1796), and for the past few decades SHAPE has also been part of this worldwide party.

The SHAPE Burns Night will take place Jan. 24 in the ballroom of the SHAPE Club.

Burns is famous for "Auld Lang Syne" and the line "The best-laid plans of mice and men go oft awry." from his poem "To a Mouse, on Turning Her Up in Her Nest with the Plough."

Rather than being an evening of poetry-reading, SHAPE Burns Night is a multinational celebration of all things Scottish – the food, the music, the humour, the pageantry, the dancing and, last but not least, the tremendous variety of single-malt Scotch whiskies.

The SHAPE Burns Night Ball is one of the few remaining formal-dress evenings at SHAPE. The "lassies" can show off their prettiest short or long evening dresses, while the "laddies" will be in civilian or military black tie or Highland formal attire. Everyone with a kilt is encouraged to wear it because this is what makes Burns Night such a colourful evening, but you don't have to wear a kilt in order to enjoy Burns Night.

Your hosts will be SHAPE's Own Scottish Country Dancing Society, or SOSCODS, an international group that meets all year 'round for the fun and fellowship

of Scottish country dancing, which is similar to the country dances found all over Europe as well as square dancing in the United States. In addition to all of the great features of a traditional Burns Night Dinner, the SHAPE Burns Night Ball will include some easy Scottish country dances spread throughout the evening so you can get a bit of exercise and meet your fellow party-goers rather than just spend the whole evening sitting down. Participation in the dancing is, of course, voluntary but strongly encouraged.

To help even beginners join in the fun of Burns Night dancing, SOSCODS will teach these easy dances in the SHAPE Club ballroom Jan. 13 and 21 at 7:30 p.m.

During the SHAPE Burns Night, you will hear stirring bagpipe music played by an expert pipe major, watch the haggis and whisky being paraded around the room before the haggis is ceremonially "killed" by a Scottish dirk (dagger), hear amusing speeches (guaranteed not to

be too long), enjoy an extensive buffet dinner that includes genuine haggis (vegetarian haggis will also be available) as well as more traditional dishes, and a Scotch whisky-tasting bar where you can sample a wide range of the finest single-malt whiskies from Scotland.

The cost for this Scottish evening is €50 per person, which includes an aperitif, the buffet dinner, dessert, water, wine, whisky, coffee, tea, music and dancing. To purchase tickets, call DSN 361-5246 or civilian 068-275246.

To learn more about Burns Night, or get on the mailing list to be notified about dance practice and all other Burns Night-related activities, call DSN 423-4749 or civilian 065-444749. Sign up for the Burns Night Ball as early as possible to help the dancing society with its plan-

ning. If your plans change because of temporary duty, or TDY, or other reasons, SOSCODS can issue a refund up to two days before the ball.



Piping in the haggis is one of the fun activities at Burns Night Friday, Jan. 25, 2014.

Gregory Pedlow



Rachel Mullis



Rachel Mullis

Scottish country dancing is the way revelers at the Burns Night Ball "trip the light fantastic" at last year's bash, Friday, Jan. 25, 2014. • At right, Burns Night — with its good food and good company — is a pleasant way to spend an evening. Last year's event at the SHAPE Club took place Friday, Jan. 25, 2014.



# ACS Relocation Program introduces host-nation language, customs at local orientation briefings

by **Linda Celaj**

Relocation Program manager at SHAPE Army Community Service

If you new to the community, "Bienvenue en Belgique." Welcome to Belgium, Welcome to the USAG Benelux.

Since Belgium is located in the heart of Europe, it offers you the opportunity to travel and experience the diverse cultures and history of your host country and its neighboring nations.

In addition to lace, Belgium is famous for its chocolates, waffles, beer and french fries. (French fries are said to have been invented in Belgium.)

However, it's the people who make up the country so become active and make new friends as you settle into your new home. Belgian friendships tend to last forever.

Army Community Service offers services and programs to assist you during your relocation. Host-nation orientations are offered monthly (except for August) for newcomers in order to ease the transition. Host-nation orientation is very important for newcomers, especially if this is their first time in Belgium. (HNO shouldn't be confused with the SHAPE newcomers orientation that is held only five times per year.)

Briefings are provided to prepare service members, Department of Defense civilian employees and their families for life in Belgium and to acquaint them with the services offered in military and host-nation communities. Host-nation

orientation is a two-day event, which is held in the second-floor ACS Conference Room from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (The next HNO is scheduled for Jan. 12 and 13 at SHAPE ACS.) Be sure to arrive 15 minutes early to get settled in or get checked in for the field trip into the local community.

Plan to attend soon after you arrive. You will learn about Belgian customs and culture, and some helpful French phrases; take a tour of the city of Mons; which has been named the European Capital of Culture in 2015; learn to use the public transportation system; and visit a local hospital where emergency and specialty care is provided.

ACS also maintains a lending closet from which you may check out dishes, pots, pans, cooking and eating utensils, irons, ironing boards, vacuum cleaners, highchairs and playpens.

For any assistance before or after you arrive, call ACS at DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824 (from stateside 011-32-65-326824). ACS is located in Building 318 on SHAPE. ACS staffers look forward to helping make this an enjoyable and rewarding assignment for you and your family.

*Similar programs are offered in Brussels (next host-nation orientation Jan. 12 to 15) and Schinnen (next host-nation orientation Jan. 15 and 16). See page 13 and 14 for more information on local HNOs.*



A visit to a local collegiate church, Collegiale Ste-Waudru, is on the agenda during the Dec. 9, 2014, newcomers orientation tour to Mons. (U.S. Army photo by Linda Celaj)

## Trenches to Foxholes

## Next week in World War history (Jan. 11 to 17)

## World War I

1915

**Jan. 13** - British War Council resolve that the Admiralty should prepare for a naval expedition in February against the Dardanelles.

**Jan. 17** - The initial Turkish offensive into Russia is thwarted as the Turkish Third Army suffers a defeat by the Russian Army of the Caucasus near Kars. The Russians then begin a multi-pronged invasion of the Ottoman Empire from the Caucasus.

1916

**Jan. 11** - To provide a safe and stable haven for the growing number of refugees pouring out of the devastated Balkan state of Serbia, French forces take formal military control of the Greek island of Corfu.

**Jan. 12** - German aces Oswald Boelcke and Max Immelmann are awarded the Pour le Mérite, Germany's highest decoration for military bravery. Both lieutenants have eight aerial victories.



Oswald Boelcke and Max Immelmann each have eight WWI aerial victories.

**Jan. 13** - In an attempt to relieve their compatriots under heavy siege by Turkish forces at Kut-al Amara in Mesopotamia, British forces under the command of Lt. Gen. Fenton Aylmer launch an attack against Turkish defensive positions on the banks of the Wadi River.

**Jan. 16** - After an eight-day offensive that marked the beginning of a new, aggressive strategy in the region, Austro-Hungarian troops, under commander in chief Franz Conrad von Hotzendorf, take control of the Balkan state of Montenegro.

**Jan. 17** - Winston Churchill, beginning his service as a battalion commander on the Western Front, attends a lecture on the Battle of Loos given by his friend, Col. Tom Holland, in the Belgian town of Hazebrouck.

1917

**Jan. 17** - The Inter-Allied Conference (Russia, France, Great Britain and Italy represented) assembles at Petrograd to discuss war policy, finance, supplies and cooperation.

1918

**Jan. 12** - Latvia declares its independence.

**Jan. 14** - German destroyers bombard Yarmouth (Norfolk).

**Jan. 16** - Riots break out in Vienna and Budapest as the Austro-Hungarians express mounting dissatisfaction with the war.

## World War II

1940

**Jan. 11** - German submarine U-23 torpedoes and sinks Norwegian coal carrier Fredville, which has just picked up coal from Methil, Scotland, about 100 miles east of the Orkney Islands. Eleven men are killed, five men are rescued by a Swedish ship.

**Jan. 15** - The British government reveals that nearly twice as many people have been killed on the roads than the number of people killed in enemy action. The blackout is among the chief reasons.

1941

**Jan. 15** - In Iceland, 133 mile-an-hour winds sink three PBY Catalina aircraft of U.S. Navy squadron VP-73 and two PBM Mariner aircraft of squadron VP-74.

1942

**Jan. 13** - Representatives of nine German-occupied countries meet in London to declare that all those found guilty of war crimes will be punished after the war ends. Among the signatories to the declaration are Polish Gen. Wladyslaw Sikorski and French Gen. Charles de Gaulle. The core of the declaration is the promise of "the punishment, through the channels of organized justice, of those guilty of, or responsible for, these crimes, whether they have ordered them, perpetrated them, or participated in them."

- The Germans begin a U-boat offensive along the east coast of the United States.

**Jan. 14** - The United States and Great Britain agree to have the British Chiefs of Staff and the U.S. Joint Chiefs work together, either through meetings or representatives, to advise the leaders of both nations on military policy during the war.

1943

**Jan. 12** - Soviet troops create a breach in the German siege of Leningrad, which had lasted for a year and a half. The Soviet forces punch a hole in the siege, which ruptures the German encirclement and allows for more supplies to come in along Lake Ladoga.

1944

**Jan. 17** - Operation Panther, the Allied invasion of Cassino, in central Italy, is launched.

The ancient town of Cassino, near the Rapido River, is a strategic point in the German Gustav Line, a defensive front across central Italy and based at the Rapido, Garigliano, and Sangro rivers. Taking Cassino will mean a breach in the German line and their inevitable retreat farther north.

The town is not safely in Allied hands until May and undergoes considerable destruction, including the bombing of the ancient Benedictine abbey Monte Cassino, which takes the lives of a bishop and several monks.

1945

**Jan. 16** - Adolf Hitler takes to his underground bunker, where he remains for 105 days until he commits suicide.

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



## Trenches to Foxholes

## WWII vet returns to Dutch cave for Christmas Mass

by Maj. Richard Komurek

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In September 1944 Maastricht was the first Dutch city to be liberated by the Allies. In the weeks before Dec. 16 when the Battle of the Bulge began, Allied troops set up camps and used a network of man-made caves in the region to store supplies and seek refuge from the war.

The coldest winter in 20 years meant plenty of snow as 200 to 300 troops gathered at De Schark Cave in Maastricht to celebrate a Christmas Mass together before being sent to the Battle of the Bulge.

On Christmas Eve 2014, hundreds of American and Dutch military, family members and local citizens know this war-time story not from a history book, television program or the internet, but firsthand from a Soldier who lived it.

Robert Wisler, a 19-year-old Army supply sergeant from Ohio, arrived to Maastricht in the winter of 1944 as part of the 55th Anti-Aircraft Artillery Brigade of the Third Army, and he celebrated his 20th birthday in the cave right after the Midnight Mass finished in the early hours of Christmas Day.

On Christmas Eve 2014 just before his 90th birthday, Wisler returned to honor those of his comrades who lost their lives to liberate Europe from Nazi Germany.



A historical photo documents the 1944 Christmas Midnight Mass in De Schark Cave in Maastricht. (Photo courtesy SHAK 1944 Foundation)



Schinnen's Pfc. Shane Sital reads Scripture during a Mass in De Schark Cave to commemorate the Mass held there Christmas Eve 1944. Behind Sital are Dutch Bishop Everhard de Jong and Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jerzy Rzasowski.

"We had been here in Maastricht a few weeks when the Brothers (of the Immaculate Conception) posted notice of a Christmas Eve Midnight Mass for the troops in the area. They made a space on one of the walls for those attending the Mass to sign their names. A couple of days before the Mass, a few guys from our unit and I hung the American flag that's still there," Wisler said. "Growing up, my family had often gone to Midnight Mass, so the Mass in this cave that night brought a feeling of comfort and helped me feel closer to those back home."

More than 25 members of the Wisler family were there to share that moment with him. Sons, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and great grandchildren came to the Netherlands to see the place they had heard about for so long and to look for a name written in charcoal on the dusty wall of the cave.

"Being in the cave with my grandfather was something I will never forget and will always cherish. It gave me a chance to know him in a different way, on a deeper level, because I was able to glimpse a bit of his experience that made him the man I have always known," Kristen Wisler said. "To see him look at the names and just hear him remember different guys and say where they were from and what they were like — 'a character' or 'a really nice guy' or 'really funny' — gave life to those names. It gave me a much greater appreciation for the sacrifices that were made, both of the lives that were sacrificed and of the heaviness guys like my grandpa have always carried with them for those they left behind."

Sharing this experience was like traveling back in time and seeing what Robert Wisler was like back then.

"Being there allowed me to see him as a young man, or really just a 20-year-old boy, as an American Soldier who was there to do a job because it was the right thing to do," Kristen said.

Many made the supreme sacrifice.

"One of the main tasks for a chaplain is to honor the dead. This is the moment when we record sacrifice that was made, to which we as the military are potentially called," said Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jerzy Rzasowski from Joint Force Command Brunssum. "For me, there is another special meaning because the father (priest) who originally celebrated this Mass was Father Boleslaus Dobrzynski who was of Polish descent like I am. I am also serving in the U.S. Army so I am following in his footsteps. He did not return from the Battle of the Bulge so it's an honor to be here, especially when the local people remember so much."

Just as the Dutch and Americans had done 70 years before, everyone met together in a cold, damp and dusty limestone cave to celebrate the joy of Christmas and pray for peace in a troubled world.

"May it remind future generations of the sacrifices made by generations past and inspire them to work even harder for peace," Wisler said.



Robert Wisler signs autographs at De Schark Cave Wednesday, Dec. 24, 2014.



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## Law centers seek tax volunteers

The Netherlands Law Center and the Northern Law Center are looking for volunteers to prepare tax returns for the upcoming tax filing season.

Volunteers will receive training and Internal Revenue Service certification on tax law and preparation, and will receive on the job training as they prepare tax returns under an experienced attorney. This is an excellent opportunity to develop valuable expertise that is transferrable anywhere.

- **Netherlands Law Center** - Volunteer positions are available at the Schinnen Law Center, the Netherlands. For more information, contact the Netherlands Law Center at DSN 360-7688 or civilian +31-(0) 46-4437688.
- **Northern Law Center** - Volunteer positions are available at SHAPE, Chièvres Air Base and USAG Brussels. Tax training will be conducted Jan. 20 to 23 and advanced training will held Jan. 29 and 30. Both training sessions will be held at Chièvres Air Base. For more information, contact the Northern Law Center at DSN 423-4868 or civilian 065-444868.

## UMUC Europe classes start in January, \$150 book award for active duty

University of Maryland University College Europe announces registration for Spring 2015 Session 1. UMUC Europe's on-site and online courses start Jan. 12, with registration open Jan. 11 for hybrid, and the day each on-site class begins. The deadline for online classes has already passed.

Students are encouraged to register early: Military tuition-assistance deadlines may be earlier than UMUC registration deadlines. View thousands of classes taking place online as well as on military bases and posts throughout Europe and the Middle East at <http://www.europe.umuc.edu>.

To kick off the new year, UMUC Europe is excited to offer \$150 Military Book Awards for active-duty service members (all ranks). This special scholarship helps service members save on textbooks for upcoming classes. Applications can be completed online within minutes (Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA, isn't required) at <http://www.europe.umuc.edu/bookaward>.

For more information on registration and scholarships, contact a local UMUC Europe field representative, visit <http://www.europe.umuc.edu>, or call civilian +49-(0) 631-534800.

Get updates from UMUC Europe on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/UMUCEurope>.

## Job opening at AFCU

Officials at Andrews Federal Credit Union would like to hire a new part-time teller at the Brussels branch. The job is listed on the AFCU website at <http://www.andrewsfcu.org>. Once on the website, just click on the "Career Opportunities" link at the top left of the screen. After you are taken to the Career Opportunities Center page, click on "Employment Listings."

## SHAPE clinic offers flu shots

The SHAPE Immunization Clinic offers flu vaccines Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 1 to 4 p.m. No appointment is necessary.

## Co-ed Venturing crew for youths now at SHAPE

A new Venturing crew has recently formed at SHAPE.

Venturing is a youth-development program of the Boy Scouts of America for young men and women who are 13 and have completed the eighth grade, or age 14 through 20 years of age, according to the BSA website at <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/Venturing.aspx>. Venturing is designed to provide positive experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults.

Don't miss the great opportunities that are offered through Venturing, such as camping, high-adventure activities and other social gatherings.

For more information, contact [scoutingmembership@gmail.com](mailto:scoutingmembership@gmail.com).

## Alterations now open on Chièvres

A new alterations contractor recently opened up shop on Chièvres Air Base. Stripes, located in the PXtra, is trying out a test schedule: Mondays from 2 to 5 p.m., Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Saturdays from 12:30 to 6 p.m.

## DeCA offers scholarships

Applications for the Scholarships for Military Children Program's 2015-2016 school-year awards are now available at commissaries worldwide or on the Internet at <http://www.militaryscholar.org>, according to a Defense Commissary Agency news release.

An applicant must be a dependent, unmarried child, younger than 21 — or 23, if enrolled as a full-time student at a college or university — of a service member on active duty, Reserve or Guard member, retiree or survivor of a military member who died while on active duty, or survivor of a retiree.

Applications must be turned in to a commissary by close of business Feb. 13. Packages must be hand-delivered or shipped via U.S. Postal Service or other delivery methods, not emailed or faxed.

## American Legion holds speech contest

The American Legion sponsors its annual oratorical contest directed toward high-school students, and youths from all over the Benelux who will compete at Brussels American High School Jan. 24. Registration is now open.

The recurring theme is "A constitutional speech contest."

Speaking subjects must be on some aspect of the U.S. Constitution, with some emphasis on the duties and obligations of citizens to the government.

If you would like a registration form, contact the American Legion Post BE02 via email at [flanders.fields.post.be02@gmail.com](mailto:flanders.fields.post.be02@gmail.com).



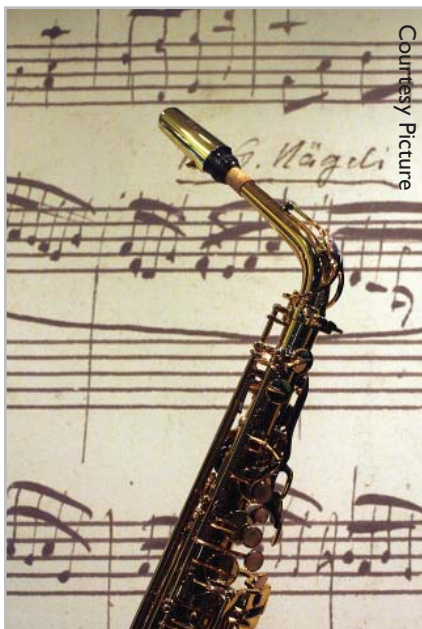
Read about events near Chièvres, SHAPE and Brussels.

### Through Jan. 11

- **Sax200 display in Brussels** - For the 200th anniversary of the birth of Adolphe Sax, best known for having invented the saxophone, the Musical Instruments Museum celebrates with a display focusing on "Sax, the inventor;" "Sax, the entrepreneur;" "Sax himself;" and "Sax after Sax." Besides telling everything about the saxophone, the display also covers Sax's other inventions, such as saxhorns, saxotrombas and even medical instruments.

Admission: €12, €9 or €2.

**On Jan. 10** at 3 p.m. the museum will have a concert by the saxhorn classes of the Lille and Liège conservatories and **on Jan. 11** at 3 p.m. a concert by Attilio Berni on saxophone accompanied by Alessandro Crispolti on piano for a concert at 3 p.m. Open Tuesday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and located on Montagne de la Cour 2.



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### Jan. 10

- **Nordic volksmarch in Le Roeulx** - Starting at 9 a.m. and ending at 11 a.m. on Rue de la Station.
- **Volksmarch in Silly for 6, 12, 18 or 28 km** - Departs from Rue Saint Pierre 6 (school) from 6:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Participation fee: €0.75.

### Jan. 11

- **Flea market in Jemappes (150 booths)** - On Avenue Maréchal Foch 873 from 4 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Secondhand clothing sale [with focus on ski and "carnaval" (Mardi Gras) clothing] in La Louvière** - On Rue de Bonne Espérance 1 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Sirault** for 5, 10, 15 or 20 km - Departs from the sports center at Rue des Déportés 76 (across from the church/parish of St. Amand) from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Nivelles** for 5, 10, 15 or 20 km - Departs from Rue Clarisse 10 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Thorembais-les-Béguines** for 5, 10, 15 or 20 km - Departs from Rue de Mellemont from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.



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

### Through Jan. 11

- **Winter at the Dutch Open Air Museum in Arnhem** is held at Hoeflerlaan 1. Visitors can see



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what daily life was like in the days of yesteryear: what one ate, how one would keep warm, how one dressed and more.

Be sure to visit the exhibition on the history of the circus/fairs in the Netherlands. Open weekdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on the weekend from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: adults €16; children €11.

### Jan. 9 to 11

- **Interclassics and TopMobiel in Maastricht** is a highpoint for classic-car enthusiasts. Each year, more than 15,000 avid motor-show spectators visit the biggest classic-car event in the Benelux region held at MECC. Open Jan. 9 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Jan. 10 to 11 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: €19.50.



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### Jan. 10 to 11

- **Antique Fair in Tongeren, Belgium**, is an indoor fair held at Syntra Limburg Campus on Overhaemlaan. Open Jan. 10 from 1 to 6 p.m. and Jan. 11 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission: €2.

### Jan. 11

- **Art, Antiques and Curiosa Market in Kijkduin** near The Hague is held along the beach at Boulevard and on Delta Plein. Open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Flea, Antique and Curiosa Market in Reuver** is held at De Schakel conference center on Broeklaan 2, located near the railway station. (Directions: Take the A73, Exit 18, and follow the "Rommelmart" signs.) Open from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Admission: €2.50, children 12 and under, free.
- **Flea, Curiosa and Vintage Market in Alphen aan den Rijn** is an indoor event held at Rijnstreekhal, Dillenburg 1. Open from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Admission: €2.





Jan. 11 continued

- **Volksmarch in Erquelinnes** for 5, 10 or 20 km - Departs from Rue du port 21 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Mesvin** for 5, 10 or 20 km - Departs from the square from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Volksmarch in Horrues** for 5, 10 or 20 km - Departs from Place du Jeu de Balle 1 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.



Trenches to Foxholes

Through April 26

- **Expo 14-18: It's our history in Brussels** - At the Royal Army Museum at Parc du Cinquantenaire 3, open daily from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1 to 4:45 p.m., except Mondays. Based on the rich and unique collections of the Royal Army Museum this display shows all aspects of conflicts, which left Europe battered and weakened. The war and the everyday life during the Belgian occupation constitutes an important part of the exhibition. Authentic objects, sceneries, testimonies, multimedia, cinema films and immersive spaces show how this conflict has deeply influenced the history of the 20th century. Admission: adults €12; children 6 to 18, €8. The family package is €32 (two adults and two children). You can look into day-trip specials on Belgian rail at <http://www.belgianrail.be>.



Jan. 11 continued

- **Reptile Fair in Gorinchem** at Evenementhal on Franklinweg 2 gives you a chance to observe snakes and other species of the reptile family. The Reptile Fair also has spiders, insects and turtles as well as accessories like lamps, waterfalls, wood, exotic plants and more to decorate terrariums. Open from 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Admission: €5.

Jan. 14 to 18

- **Vacation Fair in Utrecht** at Jaarbeurs trade-fair center is a large, indoor event held in the city center. In one day, you can visit the many different booths and get all the information you need to plan your next holiday. Open daily 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; special hours Friday, Jan. 16, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission: €20.



Ongoing

Through Feb. 1

- **Winter Efteling in Kaatsheuvel** on Europalaan near Tilburg has something for all ages. Efteling Amusement and Fairytale Park offers good, old-fashioned winter fun, including "Winter Illusions." Three attractions transform after sunset. Experience the illusions: • Outside The Flying Dutchman, "the eternal wandering ghost ship" • At the Haunted Castle, "the escaped inhabitants" • At Villa Volta, "the curse of the white lady." The illusions are so spectacular and exciting that park officials advise parents that the attractions might be best for children ages 6 and older. Open weekdays from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., weekends from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Admission: €35. Visit <http://www.efteling.com/winterefteling>.



## SHAPE Trips & Tours

### Serving Brussels, Chièvres and SHAPE

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

**Luxembourg, Patton's grave, Villeroy & Boch Outlet Center, Jan. 17** - SHAPE Trips and Tours will stop at Luxembourg American Cemetery in Hamm to visit the grave of Gen. George S. Patton. Afterward, it's on to Luxembourg City. Explore the famous fortress walls and some of the miles of hidden tunnels built under the city, take in a museum or enjoy a sidewalk café. The next stop is the Villeroy and Boch Outlet Center where high-quality dishes can be bought for a fraction of the cost. Departs from Brussels at 7 a.m. and from SHAPE at 8 a.m. Returns to SHAPE at 10 p.m. and in Brussels at 11 p.m. Cost: €62.

## Schinnen Trips and Tours

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

**Day trip to Paris, March 14, 2015** - You will have hours of free time to explore "the City of Light." Coach departs from Schinnen at 4 a.m. and arrives in Paris at 10 a.m. Coach departs from Paris at 8 p.m. local time and arrives back in Schinnen Sunday, March 15, at 2 a.m. Included in tour price: round-trip coach transportation. Assigned seating on a "first come and pay" basis. Register with full payment at the Trips and Tours office in Schinnen. Cost: \$79 per person.

## SHAPE Travel Group

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

**Luxembourg City and Bernard-Massard Winery, Jan. 22** - Come spend the day with Shape Travel Group exploring the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, a small country with a large banking industry. In the morning, tour-group members will be dropped off in Luxembourg City, which is divided into upper and lower sections. The lower portion, where group members will disembark, offers many shopping opportunities (January sales) and many tourist attractions to see and visit. The grand duke's palace, St. Michael's Church and interesting architecture as well as several museums and monuments are in the lower section. Using an elevator or taking the local bus, you can ascend to the upper portion of the city to visit the Bock Casemates, a UNESCO World Heritage site. A 23-km network of casemates, which are fortified enclosures, was built into the Bock promontory, part of the reason that Luxembourg was once known as the "Gibraltar of the North." The casemates housed thousands of Soldiers and their horses as well as workshops, kitchens, bakeries and even slaughter houses. After lunch in a location of your choice, the group will board the bus and travel to Bernard-Massard Winery to enjoy a tour of the winery and be offered the chance to taste three of its wines. Wine will also be available for purchase. Cost: €45.

## Upcoming trips

### SHAPE Trips and Tours

- **Amsterdam with optional tour of Anne Frank House, Jan. 24**
- **Day trip to Centro Shopping Center in Oberhausen, Germany, Jan. 31**
- **London, Feb. 7**
- **Paris: Valentine's Cruise and Dinner, Feb. 14**
- **Cologne Carnival Rosenmontag in Germany (Fasching), Feb. 16**
- **Disneyland Paris, Feb. 20**
- **Thermae 2000 in Valkenburg, The Netherlands, Feb. 28 (Schedule extra appointments in advance.)**
- **Dover Castle and Canterbury by Ferry, March 14**
- **Maastricht, Dutch Fruit Pie-Baking Workshop optional, March 21**
- **Movie Park Germany, April 4**
- **Croatia with Venice and Slovenia, April 6 to 15 (10 days' round-trip)**
- **Giverny, Monet's Home and Gardens, April 25**
- **Polish Pottery and Czech Crystal Shopping Trip, May 1 to 4**
- **Berlin City Tour, May 14 to 17**
- **Somme Battlefield and Peronne Museum, June 20**

### Schinnen Trips & Tours

- **Day trip to Bruges, March 21**
- **Family Day "Trout Fishing," April 11**
- **Keukenhof Gardens, April 25**

### SHAPE Travel Group

- **Soufflenheim Pottery, France, Feb. 5**
- **London with Wicked (optional), Feb. 11 (Matinee tickets will sell out soon.)**
- **Spa, Belgium, Feb. 25**
- **Netherlands: Volendam/Edam/Marken, March 5**
- **Reims, France, and Champagne Tasting, March 19**
- **Trier with Winery Tour, April 15**
- **Polish Pottery and Giethoorn, April 24**
- **Rhine In Flames, May 2**
- **Giverny, France, May 7**
- **London and Chelsea Flower Show, May 21**
- **Amiens and Les Hortillonages (Floating Gardens), June 2**
- **Provins Medieval Festival, June 13**
- **Paris, June 18**
- **Hampton Court Palace and Gardens, June 30**



# MARK YOUR CALENDAR

## BRUSSELS COMMUNITY

### Jan. 12 to 15

- **Welcome, newcomers** - Brussels Army Community Service invites all service members, civilians and their families to participate in free newcomers events next week. Jan. 12: Metro Madness (in which newcomers learn to use public transportation) runs from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Jan. 13: Supermarket Guided Tour is conducted from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Jan. 14: The deputy garrison manager's welcome and USAG Benelux-Brussels site brief start at 9 a.m. and are followed by a cultural acclimatization (information on local customs as well as basic French and Flemish), which ends at 12:30 p.m. Jan. 15: Hospital Guided Tour is conducted from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Meet in the ACS conference room in Building 4 half an hour before start time to get settled, get a snack or get ready to leave as a group for a tour. To register call DSN 368-9783 or civilian 02-7179783.

### Jan. 14, 21 and 28

- **Scream-Free Marriage** - Army Community Service's Family Advocacy Program offers this relationship-techniques seminar from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the ACS Conference Room in Brussels. Take a sack lunch to this lunchtime series. A short review will be given at the beginning of each class to update those who missed a session. To register or for more information, call DSN 368-9783 or civilian 02-7179783.

### Jan. 15

- **Résumé Writing Workshop** - Learn to present your knowledge, skills and abilities so your résumé stands out at this seminar in the Brussels Army Community Service conference room in Building 4 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Topics include — Four Key Principles for Developing Your Résumé; Types of Résumés: How to Choose the Best Approach; Parts of the Résumé: What Information to Include, What to Leave out and How to Describe Your Experience Effectively; and Completing the Package: Formatting and Submitting Your Résumé. Register by calling DSN 368-9783 or civilian 02-7179783.
- **Family Dinner at 3 Star** - Family Dinner is offered Thursdays from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Enjoy chicken pecorino (an Italian cheese made from ewe's milk) or pasta with salmon. Make your (required) reservation at reservations3star@yahoo.com. Cost: Adults \$12, children 12 and under, \$6.

## SCHINNEN/BRUNSSUM COMMUNITY

### Happening now

- **Military Hand-to-Hand Combat** - JFCBS Martial Arts and Self Defense Club offers this training to military, NATO partners and civilians through Feb. 6 at the JFC Brunssum Gym. Classes are Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 6 to 8 a.m.; on Tuesdays and Thursdays (flex) from 11 a.m. to noon and Saturdays (optional) from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Martial-arts practitioners will work with each student. Call +31 (0) 45-5263890.

### Jan. 14

- **PCS Brief for Junior Enlisted** - Held from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Schinnen Army Community Service, this briefing is designed for those going to a new duty station. It provides guidance on financial preparation and planning for a permanent change of station, such as what should be on your PCS checklist, entitlements, importance of planning your move in advance, the real and hidden costs of relocation and useful websites. For more information or to register, contact ACS at DSN 360-7450/7500 or civilian + 31 (0) 46-4437450/7500.
- **CYSS S.M.A.R.T. Girls** - Join other teen girls and learn about different topics that concern you at Skill, Mastery and Resistance Training for Young Women Wednesdays from 4:30 to 5 p.m. "Time to grow, time to talk, and time to be yourself." To register, call DSN 364-3121/2023 or civilian +31 (0) 45-5263121/2023.
- **EFMP coordinator** - The Benelux Exceptional Family Member Program coordinator will be available at Schinnen Army Community Service from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Assistance provided includes: updating EFMP status and reassignments; answering questions regarding special education; individual education plans, or IEPs; and provide general special-needs information. For details, call DSN 366-6898 or civilian +32 (0) 65-326898.

### Jan. 14, 21 or 28

- **The 5 Love Languages of Children** - Held through the Family Advocacy/Victim Advocate Program in the Schinnen ACS Conference Room from 1 to 3 p.m., this parenting workshop will help parents learn the different ways people understand love. Using Gary Chapman's award winning book, "The 5 Love Languages for Children," build a foundation for unconditional love and more effective discipline. To register or for more information, call DSN 360-7367 or civilian +31 (0)46-4437367.

### Jan. 15 and 16

- **Welcome, newcomers** - Learn what you need to know at Schinnen Army Community Service. All newcomers must attend the Host-Nation Orientation on Day 1 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. to learn local customs, culture, language and highly useful information. On Day 2, meet at ACS to take the Newcomers Tour from 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The group goes beyond the gate to learn and use the public transportation to visit points of interest in the community. Contact DSN 360-7218/7500 or civilian +31 (0) 46-4437218/7500.

## SHAPE/CHIEVRES COMMUNITY

Jan. 12

- **Winter Theater Camp begins** - Children in grades 3 through 9 can bring the musical "Shrek" to the SHAPE Performing Arts Centre. Call DSN 423-3312 or civilian 065-443312 Tuesday through Friday from 1 to 6 p.m. Separate classes in music, theater and dance will also be held.

Jan. 12 and 13

- **Host-Nation Orientation** - Army Community Service invites all service members, civilian employees and their family members to learn about the SHAPE/Chièvres community and all it has to offer. During the two-day orientation, you will learn about Belgian customs and basic French. You will also go on a cultural city tour and tour a Belgian hospital as well as sample traditional Belgian cuisine and learn how to shop on the economy. The group will also learn how to use public transportation and visit the Ste. Waudru Collegiale in Mons. Meet at the ACS conference room 15 minutes earlier than the start time of 8:30 a.m. Contact ACS at DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824.

Jan. 14



- **Benelux community observes Martin Luther King's birthday** - The 650th Military Intelligence Group and the USAG Benelux military community invites you to a breakfast in the SHAPE Club from 8 to 10 a.m., which will honor the legacy of social activist Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The guest speaker at the MLK observance is scheduled to be Gavin E. Wainwright, a budget analyst on SHAPE. The federal holiday honoring King's contribution to nonviolent social change has, for many years, had a recurring theme focusing on volunteerism: "Remember! Celebrate! Act! A Day On, Not A Day Off."

Jan. 15

- **Quit Smoking** - SHAPE Healthcare Facility offers a free nicotine-cessation class to all SHAPE ID card holders with access to the clinic. The class will be held in the second-floor conference room from 2 to 3 p.m. Contact DSN 423-7046 or civilian 065-447046.

Jan. 21

- **Résumé Writing Workshop** - Attendees will learn to prepare a chronological, functional, hybrid and/or federal résumé at SHAPE Army Community Service from 9 a.m. to noon. Participants will also learn to apply the knowledge, skills and abilities they've acquired in order to be marketable for the jobs they deserve. The workshop also uses a career-planning process that includes self-assessment, personal development and a career portfolio as ways to gain initial entry into the workplace. To register or to obtain more information, call DSN 366-6824 or civilian 065-326824.



### Movies at SHAPE Cinema

Rates — 2D movies: adults €7 and children 11 and under €4. 3D movies: adults €9 and children 11 and under €6. Check <http://www.shape2day.com/cinema.aspx> for the movie schedule.

#### Theaters near SHAPE/Chièvres that play movies in English:

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

**Plaza Art** - Rue de Nimy 12, 7000 Mons (next to the main square). Visit <http://plaza-art.be/index.cgi?p=Grille>.

**ImagiBraine** - Boulevard de France, 1420 Braine l'Alleud. Check the schedule and purchase your tickets at: <http://kinopolis.be/nl/bioscopen/kinopolis-imagibraine>.

**Kinopolis** - Boulevard du Centenaire 20, 1020 Bruxelles. Take a look at movie listings at <http://kinopolis.be/fr/cinemas/kinopolis-bruxelles>.

### Movie at JFC HQ Alliance Theater

Adult admission is €5 (ages 12 and older) - Child admission is €3 (ages 11 and under). Check the new web page at <http://www.shopmyexchange.com/reel-time-theatres/Schinnen-1366146> for the movie schedule.



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