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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### RELIGIOUS SUPPORT SERVICES TO BE HELD IN APRIL

The Benelux Religious Support Office will host services in observance of Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter. Visit the [Religious Support Office](#) page for the full schedule.

### HOURS OF OPERATION CHANGE FOR BRUSSELS AAFES (PX) SHOPPETTE

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the [Brussels AAFES \(PX\) Shoppette](#) will not be open on Sundays until further notice. The store will, however, continue to be open Mondays to Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

### GOT YOUR BACK TRAINING TO BE HELD APRIL 23-24

On April 23 and 24, there will be GOT YOUR BACK training, which is an interactive conversation that integrates the research on sexual predation and bystander intervention into a discussion about sexual violence. The training addresses how sexualized language, and a tolerance for coercive cultural norms contribute to an environment that allows perpetrators to offend against both female and male victims, and avoid accountability. Training will be held:

- April 23 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the SHAPE Bldg. 102 Auditorium
- April 23 from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Chièvres Air Base Bldg. 5 (Garrison Headquarters) Auditorium
- April 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Brussels Conference Room
- April 24 from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the JFC Brunssum East Chapel

This training counts as annual SHARP/SAPR training. For more questions, please call DSN 314-423-2473 or +32(0)65-44-2473.

### LOGISTICS READINESS CENTER OFFICES TO BE CLOSED APRIL 19 AND 22

Due to the upcoming host nation holidays, some Logistics Readiness Center (LRC) services will be closed April 19 (Belgium) and April 22 (Belgium and The Netherlands). **The Central Issue Facility (CIF) at Chièvres Air Base will be open April 19.** For emergencies during closure days, call +32(0)495-405-420.

### SCHINNEN EXCHANGE GAS STATION TO CLOSE APRIL 19

The Schinnen Exchange Gas Station will close April 19. Patrons can still get fuel on the economy with their FORAX card at ESSO stations in The Netherlands. More information on the program is on [The Exchange](#) website. For updates on the Schinnen Troop Store and other Exchange services, follow their [Facebook](#) page.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR GARRISON FULL-SCALE EXERCISE IN MAY

USAG Benelux will conduct a Full-Scale Exercise **May 17 and 18** on Chièvres Air Base. We are looking for volunteers, age 18 and over, to serve as role players and controllers for the exercise for approximately five to six hours on **May 17**. Please email [usarmy.benelux.id-europe.mbx.dptms@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.benelux.id-europe.mbx.dptms@mail.mil).



## PHOTO OF THE WEEK

The 424th Air Base Squadron hosted training for Belgian firefighters from the "Zone Hainaut-Centre" April 11, 2019, on Chièvres Air Base, Belgium. Belgian participants learned about the 424th ABS's mission and the aircraft prefire plan. They also entered a C-130 to examine its features. The training was an opportunity for the Air Force and Belgian firefighters to learn about each other's capabilities, ensure that their equipment is interchangeable, and know how communicate effectively during firefighting operations. (U.S. Army photo by Christophe Morel)



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## NEWS

### SHAPE AND CHIÈVRES VOLUNTEERS RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR SERVICE

U.S. Army Garrison Benelux volunteers were honored April 4 during the annual Volunteer Recognition Ceremony held on Chièvres Air Base, Belgium. Volunteers spent time serving the community in activities such as child and youth events, family readiness groups and community recreation events. [\[READ MORE\]](#)



### APRIL IS ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH: HELP FOR TODAY, HOPE FOR TOMORROW

This April is the 33rd annual observance of Alcohol Awareness Month. Founded and sponsored by Facing Addiction and the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, the year's theme is "Help for Today, Hope for Tomorrow." No other substance is more widely used by America's youth than alcohol, making alcoholism and alcohol-related problems the number one public health problem in the U.S. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

### U.S. DENTAL CLINIC HOSTS "GIVE RETIREES A SMILE DAY" IN GEILENKIRCHEN

The Geilenkirchen NATO Air Base U.S. Dental Clinic hosted their third annual "Give Retirees a Smile Day" March 21 in Geilenkirchen, Germany. The event was the entire dental clinic team's way of saying thank you to the men and women who served our country with bravery and devotion. [\[READ MORE\]](#)



### D-DAY 75: HONORING THE PAST, SECURING THE FUTURE

Nearly 1,000 U.S. service members stationed in Europe, and from U.S. based units with historical links to D-Day, will join contingents from more than five nations to recognize and honor the men and women of the "Greatest Generation" by performing music, marching in parades and honoring the colors of allied nations during the commemorative period of June 1-9 in the region of Normandy, France. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

### MUSIC FESTIVALS TO BE HELD THIS SUMMER IN AND AROUND THE BENELUX

Belgium, The Netherlands and Germany are known for their music festivals. Every summer, people can attend at least one festival per week. If you want to attend a music festival this year, don't wait to buy tickets, they are on sale now and some events are almost sold out. [\[READ MORE\]](#)



### WORLD CLASS ATHLETE PROGRAM RECRUITS THROUGH LOVE OF SPORT

The U.S. Army's World Class Athlete Program has helped multiple athletes achieve international and Olympic sport dreams while creating and furthering their Army careers. WCAP is a program where top ranked Soldier-athletes train to compete at the international level while serving in the U.S. Army with the goal of making it to the Olympic or Paralympic games.

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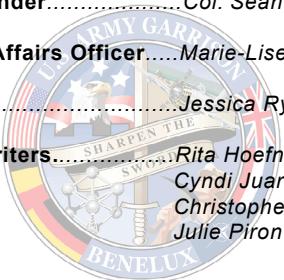
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