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STAY VIGILANT THIS FALL

Please remember to always maintain vigilance this season. Read our message here.

POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY TO BE OBSERVED SEPT. 20 AT CHIÈVRES AIR BASE

The American Legion "Flanders Field" Post BEO2 invites the community to view the "Missing Man" table at The Exchange (PX) on Chièvres Air Base from **10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 20.**

SOME BRUSSELS SERVICES CLOSED SEPT. 22

Due to Car-Free Sunday in Brussels, the Brussels AAFES Shoppette will be closed **Sunday, Sept. 22.** The shoppette will resume regular hours of operation on Monday. The Brussels Community Chapel will not conduct services on Sunday. The Religious Support Office will be unable to access the installation to officiate the service. Community members can attend family/neighborhood worship or the SHAPE Chapel's service at 10:45 a.m. Those without SHAPE access can get a visitor's pass at the visitor control center. The service will also be livestreamed on the SHAPE Community Chapel's Facebook page. For questions, please call DSN 314.597.5565 or +32(0)68.25.5565.

ARMY POST OFFICE TO OPEN ON CHIÈVRES AIR BASE ON SEPT. 23

The post office on Chièvres Air Base will open **Monday, Sept. 23** starting at noon.

TRI-BORDER COMMUNITY TO HOST TOWN HALL ON SEPT. 23

Tri-Border community leaders will host a town hall on **Monday, Sept. 23 starting at 1:30 p.m.** at the Alliance Theater on JFC Brunssum. During the town hall, leaders will talk about the transformation at the NATO Industrial Complex (NIC) site, fuel rations and other community topics. All community members are welcomed.

SCHINNEN NORTH PARKING LOT TO BE CLOSED SEPT. 25

The Schinnen North Parking Lot will be closed **Wednesday, Sept. 25** due to motorcycle safety training. Please make sure to move your vehicle before 9 a.m. that day so staff can conduct training.

WINTER DRIVING CLASSES FOR GOV LICENSE OWNERS TO BE HELD OCT. 2 TO NOV. 14 AT SHAPE AND CHIÈVRES AIR BASE

Every government vehicle driver (who has an OF 346/license) is required to attend the annual winter driving training. Classes (in English) are held every Wednesday at 9:15 a.m. and 10 a.m. from **Oct. 2 to Nov. 14** at the Drivers Training Testing Station in SHAPE Bldg. 220, Room 113. At Chièvres Air Base, classes will be held Oct. 10 at 9 a.m. (English) and 9:45 a.m. (French) and Nov. 14 at 9 a.m. (English) and 9:45 a.m. (French) in the Bldg. 5 (Garrison Headquarters) multipurpose room. **Advance registration is requested for SHAPE classes only.** Call DSN 314.366.6603 or +32(0)65.32.6603.



PHOTO OF THE WEEK

U.S. Army Garrison Benelux hosted the annual Resiliency Olympics at the SHAPE Fitness Center on Sept. 19, 2019, on SHAPE, Belgium. In observance of Suicide Prevention Awareness Month, the Army Substance Abuse Program staff put together the event to help participants strengthen their physical, social, spiritual and emotional building skills through different activities. The ceremony concluded with participants receiving gold, silver and bronze medals. (U.S. Army photo by Christophe Morel)



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NEWS

WWII DUTCH CIVILIAN VOLUNTEER RECEIVES THE CIVILIAN AWARD FOR HUMANITARIAN SERVICE MEDAL

"I did it because they asked for help." Those are the words of Hendrick Menzel, a 94-year-old Dutchman who volunteered to help the 91st Evacuation Hospital during World War II. Menzel was recognized by the U.S. Ambassador to The Netherlands, Pete Hoekstra, and presented with the Civilian Award for Humanitarian Service medal by the Defense Attaché, U.S. Navy Capt. Mark A. Imblum, at a ceremony in Valkenburg, The Netherlands. [READ MORE]



CAR-FREE SUNDAY IN BRUSSELS SCHEDULED SEPT. 22

September 22 is Car-Free Sunday in Brussels. The event marks the end of Mobility Week, a European initiative held from Sept. 16 to 22 to promote alternative ways of transportation. From 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., car traffic is not allowed in the Brussels Capital Region including the city of Brussels. [READ MORE]

SETTING A VISION FOR ARMY HOUSING COMMUNITIES IN THE BENELUX

By embodying U.S. Army Garrison Benelux's motto "We Deliver!" the Housing Office is dedicated to enhancing residents' quality of life in U.S. Army leased housing, to include family housing and the single service member quarters. One way of ensuring quality of life is building transparency in communication from the beginning. During in-processing, residents in U.S. Army leased housing are well-informed on processes. [READ MORE]



U.S., ALLIES REMEMBER OPERATION MARKET GARDEN

Shortly after the invasion of Normandy and the liberation of Paris during World War II, Allied forces in Europe wanted to create an invasion route into northern Germany from The Netherlands. Operation Market Garden, meant to achieve that objective, kicked off 75 years ago, on Sept. 17, 1944. [READ MORE]

ARMY ISSUES PUBLIC HEALTH ALERT AFTER MULTIPLE SEVERE LUNG ILLNESS CASES ASSOCIATED WITH VAPING

The Army Public Health Center issued a Public Health Alert Sept. 10 warning Soldiers and Family Members who do not currently use tobacco products to avoid all e-cigarette and vaping products, particularly those sold off the street or modified to add any substances not intended by the manufacturer. The warning follows reports of more than 450 possible cases of severe lung illness associated with e-cigarette products. [READ MORE]



SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH: BE PREPARED, NOT SCARED

Disasters can strike at any moment, and individuals should take action to prepare themselves for emergency situations. September is National Preparedness Month, and this year's national theme is "Prepared, Not Scared." The observance is a reminder that people should always be prepared by having a plan, checking their insurance policies and learning lifesaving skills such as CPR and first aid. [READ MORE]



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