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CORONAVIRUS

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OPSEC PROGRAM MANAGER/OFFICE COURSE

USAG Benelux is hosting the Army OPSEC Program Manager/Officer Course instructed by the OPSEC Support Element (OSE), 1st IO Command on March 17-19. Military members, DA civilians, host nation employees, and contractors are all welcome. Training is provided at no cost, but commands would be responsible for lodging and TDY expenses if their personnel are not located in Brussels or within driving distance. For more information and to register, call DSN 314-368-9788 or civilian +32 (0)27-179788. The class is from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at USAG Benelux-Brussels, Bldg. 2.

MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

Join us for the Marriage Conference let by Dr. Richard Blackaby.
- Friday, March 6 from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the SHAPE Club: ballroom dinner, worship and prayer, Session 1.
- Saturday, March 7 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at SHAPE International Chapel: welcome, worship and prayer, sessions 2, 3 and 4, Q&A with Dr. Blackaby.
For more information, contact the Garrison Chaplain's Office at DSN 597-5566, or civilian+32 (0)68-255566, or usarmy.benelux.id-europe.mbx.chaplain@mail.mil.

TAX ASSISTANCE

NL Law Center Tax Assistance opened March 2 at the Brunssum Netherlands Law Center in Bldg. 8, Room 202 at USAG Benelux-Brunssum. The office will be open Mondays through Wednesdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The phone numbers are DSN 597-4182 or civilian +31 (0)45-5340182. For current information and required documents, visit the Netherlands Law Center Facebook page [here](#). Returns must be within the VITA scope of services.

GK YOUTH SPRING SOCCER 2020

Registration for the E-3A Component Geilenkirchen Youth Spring Soccer 2020 will be ongoing March 9-27 at the New Gym, Bldg. 206, room 118. Open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Friday from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost is €40. All children must provide a copy of a sports physical before the first game. Practice is every Tuesday and Thursday starting in the week of April 20. For more information, call +49 (0)2451-636061.

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION (VA) ONE-ON-ONE APPOINTMENT

The Veteran's Administration (VA) will have a representative at the ACS Conference Room on USAG Benelux-Brunssum on March 10 and 11, from 9 a.m to 4 p.m., to meet with anyone who would like a one-on-one appointment. If you have any questions about your Veteran's benefits, now or in the future, this is the person to speak with. To schedule an appointment, please call DSN 597-4260 or civilian +31 (0)45-5340260.



PHOTO OF THE WEEK

Cpl. Jacob M. Bussey, a Military Policeman at U.S. Army Garrison Benelux-Brussels, participates in a 10k ruck march during the Installation Management Command, Directorate-Europe (IMCOM-E) Best Warrior Competition 2020 March 2 at U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart. The four-day competition began March 1. Spc. Benjamin T. Ford, Military Policeman at U.S. Army Garrison Benelux-Brunssum, also participated in the event. (U.S. Army photo by Jason Johnston)

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BENELUX COMMUNITY OBSERVES BLACK HISTORY MONTH

U.S. Army Garrison Benelux celebrated Black History Month, also known as African-American History Month, with an observance Feb. 28 at SHAPE, Belgium. The event included a poetry reading and a food tasting. Each year, February is the month dedicated to events honoring the history and contributions of African Americans. The theme for this year’s event was “Honoring the past, securing the future.” [\[READ MORE\]](#)



CHAPLAINS OF USAG BENELUX LEARN TO OPERATIONALIZE RELIGIOUS SUPPORT

U.S. Army Chaplain Corps personnel gathered at Chièvres Air Base Feb. 27 to improve their ability to plan operations. Each month mission partners from the U.S. Army Garrison Benelux, 39th Strategic Signal Battalion (SSB) and Allied Forces North Battalion (AFNORTH BN) review religious support-related skills with a special emphasis on training guidance set by the U.S. Army Chief of Chaplains. The training was part two of a series in developing leaders who can work at the operational and strategic levels. [\[READ MORE\]](#)



SOLDIERS DRAW EQUIPMENT FROM ARMY PREPOSITIONED STOCKS FOR DEFENDER-EUROPE 20

In support of DEFENDER-Europe 20, the 405th Army Field Support Battalion-Benelux issued Army Prepositioned Stocks 2 to the 553rd Combat Sustainment Support Battalion in Zutendaal, Belgium, from Feb. 25-27, 2020. DEFENDER-Europe 20 is the deployment of a division-sized, combat-credible force from the United States to Europe, the drawing of APS-2, and the movement of personnel and equipment across the theater to various training areas. [\[READ MORE\]](#)



IMCOM-E NAMES EUROPE’S BEST WARRIOR SOLDIER, NCO

After a tough three days pitting the finest Soldiers of Installation Management Command–Europe against one another, the 2020 Best Warrior Competition named Spc. Juan Monroy and Staff Sgt. Benjamin Wright Soldier and Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, respectively, March 4. The toughest challenge for Monroy, representing USAG Bavaria, was the ruck march. “I tried to give it my all,” Monroy said. “It was a tough one.” [\[READ MORE\]](#)



SMA: EMPOWERED JUNIOR NCOS CRUCIAL TO INCREASING LETHALITY

Junior non-commissioned officers know the pulse of their squads. They’re at the ground level, they interact daily with their Soldiers and set the tone, the Army’s top enlisted leader said. To empower them, they need to be allowed to make and learn from their mistakes – as long as they’re not illegal, immoral or unethical – when deciding what’s best for their Soldiers. “If they make a decision you don’t like, just let it be and see how they run with it,” said Sgt. Maj. of the Army Michael Grinston. [\[READ MORE\]](#)



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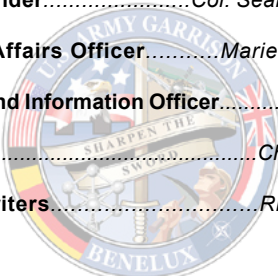
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