

#### CENTER FOR BELGIAN CULTURE of Western Illinois, Inc.

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July, 2014

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# **Calendar of Upcoming Events**

July 4th July 5th July 5th July 14th August 29th-30th Sept. 14th

Date

Wed., July 2nd

Fri., July4th

Sat., July 5th Wed., July 9th

Fri., July 11th

Sat., July 12th Wed., July 16th

Fri., July 18th Sat., July 19th

Wed., July 23rd Fri., July 25th

Sat., July 26th

Wed., July 30th

Waffle Breakfast Belgian Lacemakers Board Meeting Rummage Sale Fall Flemish Fest

Center Closed

7:30 to 11:00 a.m. 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m. to noon 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Visit the Center for more information and to stay updated on current events.

#### Schedule for Volunteers

The July schedule is as follows:

Gift Counter	Host/Hostess
Celie Donohue	Gene Donohue
Center Closed	
Celie Donohue	Barb Michalek
Mary Lou Andrae	Bonnie Newman
Celie Donohue	Gene Donohue
Mary Gardner-Karcher	Mary Gardner-Karcher
Barb Coppens	Linda Polich
Georgia Slininger	Bev Fulmer
Jan Irwin	Jan Irwin
Margaret Wadsworth	Bill Wadsworth
Celie Donohue	Gene Donohue
Millie Kale	Millie Kale
Karen VandeKerckhove	Pat VandeKerckhove

Contact Celie Donohue at (309) 792-8246 as soon as possible if there is a schedule conflict.



A Fun, Joyous & Safe 4th of July to all!

OPEN Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Waffle Breakfast 1st Sat. of each month

# News of the Membership

Congratulations to: Al and Evelyn VanPuyvelde on celebrating 60 years of marriage; Carl and Betty Freeman on celebrating 66 years of marriage; Frank and Theresa DeWaele on their 80th birthday; former member Henrietta Sonneville on her 98th birthday; and Nate Fowler, grandson of Gene Fowler, for receiving a four-year basketball scholarship to Butler University.

Thank you to: **Al VanTieghem** for his \$1,000 donation to the Center to help offset moving costs; **Georgia Slininger** for a wooden musical windmill; and to Dennis and Raedene DeVooght for antique Belgian records.

*Sympathy* is offered to the family of **Jim and Glenda Vyncke** on the death of Jim's brother-in-law, Neil Summers.

#### CBC Rummage Sale August 29th & 30th – 8:00 a.m. to noon 628 - 22nd Street, Rock Island

If you have items you'd like to donate, please call or text Bonnie Tanamore (309-912-2692) or email (bonnietanamore@gmail.com), and she will arrange a time to pick up your items. Please, no items of clothing.

## The Kleine Winkel

If you like honey cake, this is the time to buy some at half price, now only \$2.50. And don't forget you can enjoy our great Belgian waffles at home. A frozen package of four squares is only \$3.00.

## July Waffle Volunteers



First, thank you to Gary Francque for his cooking help at last month's breakfast. The volunteers for July's waffle breakfast will be Steve and Diana Slininger, Dale and Mary Lou Andrae, Margaret Wadsworth, and Millie Kale. Mike Kerckhove will make the mix and start the coffee, Joan DeCap will cashier, and Catherine VanHecke will make sure a good time is had by all.

Our waffle breakfasts are successful because of our volunteers! We do need people to step up on occasion to help. The work isn't hard and volunteers receive a free breakfast. Please consider helping us out once or twice a year by signing the board or saying "yes" when called.

## Time to Renew

It's time to renew your membership to the CBC, and we need your support now more than ever. This past winter's heating bills, the cost of our move to the new location, and our higher rent all mean that we need members more than ever if we are to continue for the long run. Please renew and encourage family members and friends to join us as well.

The CBC has an excellent archive of Belgian history, and we have some upcoming programs planned for the younger folks to foster their interest in the Belgian heritage. But we MUST continue to grow. Please renew now, while it is fresh on your mind.

Please note . . . if you have joined the CBC since the first of this year, your membership is good until next year.

## **Our Grand Opening**

May 25th was a shiny day for the Quad Cities and for the Center for Belgian Culture's Grand Opening. An "OPEN" sign with red, gold, and black balloons made all aware we were ready to meet and greet. Mike Kerckhove and his green thumb had planted red, yellow, and black flowers at the entry. Out front, too, were lace makers Kathy Bustos and Joan Rogers, demonstrating the art for passer-byes to see. Inside, more lace makers added to the festivity.

Some 200 people visited that day. Very special was the ribbon cutting by Moline mayor and the Center's past president Scott Raes and the blessing given by Fr. James DeBisschop. WQAD-TV interviewed CBC president Kevin DeRoo. Driving in from Indiana for the occasion were Dr. and Mrs. Louis DePorter. Louis' father was a past Honorary Consul of Belgium and instrumental in the formation of the Center. Hostesses were Catherine VanHecke, Millie Kale, and Colleen Reese.

Waffle breakfast winners were: Helen Foote, Geraldine Young, Lee DeBrabander, Richard Verhelst, Fred DeCoster, Steve Slininger, Lois DeCoster, Josie VanHollebeke, Sonya Hoots, Ruth DeKezel, Amy Woodward, Julie Billings, and Diane Gelaude.

A heartfelt THANK YOU to all who made the event a success!



Some of our visitors

# **Grand Opening Memories**



Bobbin lace makers Joan Rogers and Kathy Bustos.



President Kevin DeRoo, curator Celie Donohue, and Moline Mayor Scott Raes



Don DeBo and Millie Kale at the rolle bolle display.



Kevin DeRoo, Pat and Louis DePorter



Lois and Fred DeCoster at the pigeon racing display.



Art Holevoet points out the Belgian Royals.

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July, 2014

### Membership Renewal (Please detach and return)

Name:					
Address:					
City:		Zip Code:			
Phone Number: ( )	Email:				
Recruiting Member's Name (if applicable):					
Date:/2014					
Would you like to volunteer? If yes, please let us know how below:					
Annual Fees Enclosed (check appropriately):					
Single/Family (one per household)	\$25.00				
Senior (70+) Single/Family (one per household)	\$15.00				

Please note that complimentary memberships are automatically renewed.