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The American Club of Brussels is a social organization that will seek to represent the American spirit and culture, foster mutual understanding, respect and friendship between Belgium and the United States.

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Upcoming Events



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Tuesday, October 11 – 7:00 p.m.

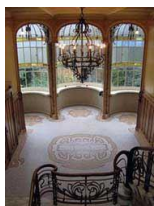
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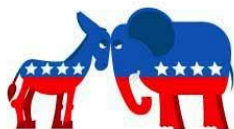
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Other Dates To Remember



- **Friday, October 28**
Halloween Final Friday – Details to be published soon.
- **Saturday, November 26**

Save this date for a guided visit to the **Picasso Sculptures Exhibition** at Bozar.

- **Friday, December 9**

Our annual **Holiday Reception** will once again be held on the Grand-Place/Grote Markt in Brussels at Le Paon from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.



Cross Border Planning & DunhillFinancial, LLC to become Cross Border Planning



James McEvoy of Cross Border Planning and Brian Dunhill of Dunhill Financial announced in September that the two companies will merge. Brian Dunhill is currently president of the American Club of Brussels.

The two firms, which work with expats of all nationalities, are the two largest American expat firms in Belgium. The merger has come in order to expand the niche of financial services for expats. The new company, Cross Border Planning, will focus on the synergy of the existing services.

Cross Border Planning

Cross Border Planning has been operating in Belgium since 2005 and provides a coordinated solution for those who have financial affairs in more than one country. The proximity to the capital of Europe, Brussels Belgium, enables the firm to deliver timely and personalized service to manage these challenging cross border issues. They provide investment advice to both US and non-US citizens and offer services regarding retirement planning and estate planning.

Dunhill Financial

Dunhill Financial is a firm of international financial planners who primarily, but not exclusively, work with English-speaking expatriates. The aim is to create an environment of trust, discretion and confidence through offering personalized solutions. Through aggregated planning they are in a position to help with every aspect of financial planning. Their services range from short and long-term financial planning to pension planning and individualized portfolio management.























Dunhill Financial engages in Fun Friday initiatives for their entire staff, which will continue in the new venture, and which have brought about the three endeavors listed below:

- A full robo-advisor, OmniWealth.eu, to help clients of all sizes in setting up investment accounts at low costs. The venture is well known for its short cartoon clips on youtube explaining financial concepts for American expats.
- The Fair Trade Gold project as part of their social responsibility endeavors. While the product has not yet been launched, the website <http://www.fair-trade-gold.org> has drawn the attention of the investment community.
- Dunhill Financial also advises John Foti, manager of the [Grand Prix Investors Fund](#), by providing weekly suggestions and market commentary.

<http://www.crossborderplanning.net>

Corporate Members

The American Club of Brussels is supported by the following companies:
(Special ACB member benefits listed below company logo)

				
One free initial consultation (1 hour)		Sponsor of major ACB events		One free initial consultation (1 hour)
				
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			One free initial consultation (1/2 hour)	Free account with no transaction charges
				
			10% discount for ACB members	
				



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Final Friday Drinks

Friday, September 30, 2016

6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.



Coworking Les Galeries

Galerie du Roi 30
1000 Brussels

The American Club of Brussels invites you for an evening of fun, socializing and chatting! Everyone is welcome! Bring friends!

We've arranged special deals on beer and wine and the cash bar is open to all.

Final Friday events are held the last Friday of each month and take place at different, great locations throughout the city. So plan to attend future Final Fridays as well.

Due to the heightened security **we will require pre-registration for Final Friday.**

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First Tuesday Lunch Social

October 4, 2016



La Mirabelle

Chaussée de Boondael 459
1050 Brussels (Ixelles)

The American Club of Brussels invites you for a lunch hour of good food, socializing and new memories!

This October we are revisiting an ACB favorite! La Mirabelle has been offering fantastic Belgian/French cuisine for over 35 years in their beautiful and artfully decorated restaurant. Join us for a lovely meal with lovely company and, weather permitting, a green terrace surrounding!

Lunch Hour Social events are held the first Tuesday of each month and take place at different and great locations throughout the city of Brussels. Everyone is welcome! Bring your friends!

Event Details:

Date: Tuesday, October 4, 2016.

Time: 12:30-2:00 p.m.

Place: La Mirabelle, Chaussée de Boondael 459, 1050 Brussels (Ixelles).

Price: Dependent on your own consumption.

Please register by Monday, October 3, at:

<http://www.americanclubbrussels.org/event-2341471>

so that we know how many to expect for the lunch reservation. Thank you.

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To find the ACB group or for additional information:

Text (or call) Carl Mir at 0494/27.97.63.

Historic Beer Bar Tour

October 11, 2016



Moeder Lambic Original

Rue de Savoie 68
1060 Brussels

Come and join other beer and Brussels lovers at this historic bar as we embark on another Second Tuesday Historic Bar Tour social hour in central Brussels.

This month we are visiting the original Moeder Lambic, a friendly and cozy bar. The gastro-pub boasts an impressive selection of "hundreds of beers", including Belgian classics as well as international beers. On top of their range of beers, Moeder Lambic also has a menu full of delicious meals with great service.

The Historic Bar Tour events are held the second Tuesday of each month and take place at different and great locations throughout the city of Brussels.

Event Details:

Date: Tuesday, October 11, 2016.

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Moeder Lambic, Rue de Savoie 68, 1060 Brussels.

Price: Dependent on your own consumption.

Please register by Monday, October 10, at:

<http://www.americanclubbrussels.org/event-2341488>

so that we know how many to expect. Thank you.

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To find the ACB group or for additional information:

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The Canadian Club of Belgium, The American Club of Brussels
& The American Women's Club of Brussels
welcome you to our **Reading Group**
on the **second Wednesday** of the month
[7:00–9:00 p.m.]

(CCB, ACB and AWCB members only)

We ask you to present a book of your choice (American or Canadian authors preferred) that you have read and really enjoyed. This will give all members, passionate about reading, a chance to read and discuss different literary genres.

Even if you have not read the selected book and if you do not have a book you wish to present, please feel free to join us anyway – even at the last minute.

Reading Group Contact

(also for venue details)

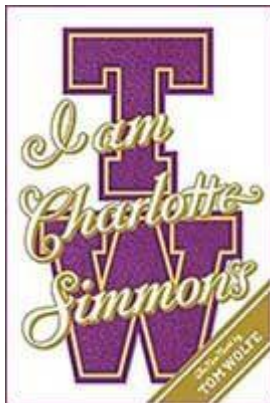
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October 12 – Presented by Jean Minutello



I Am Charlotte Simmons

by Tom Wolfe (USA)

Thomas Kennerly "Tom" Wolfe, Jr. (born March 2, 1931) is an American author and journalist, best known for his association with and influence over the [New Journalism](#) literary movement, in which literary techniques are used in objective, even-handed journalism.

His most famous books to date are *The Bonfire of the Vanities*, which Brian DePalma made into a movie, and *The Right Stuff*, also made into a major motion picture.

Venue: tbd

More info about the Clubs:

- The Canadian Club of Belgium:
www.ccbcanada.be
- The American Women's Club of Brussels:
www.awcb.org
- The American Club of Brussels:
www.americanclubbrussels.org

Private Guided Tour of the Hôtel Max Hallet



Join the American Club of Brussels for a private, guided tour in English of the famous Hôtel Max Hallet on Saturday, October 22 at 1:45 p.m.

Victor Horta is the father of Art Nouveau architecture in Belgium. Art Nouveau is famous for its use of natural light, gorgeous cabinetry, organic design and fabulous stairwells. Brussels today still has more than 500 Art Nouveau buildings. The majority of these buildings are in districts that were newly opened at the turn of the century for residential development in areas such as Schaerbeek, St. Gilles, Ixelles, and Uccle. These homes were built by wealthy industrialists and entrepreneurs who became newly rich during Belgium's commercial heyday at the turn of the last century.

The lawyer Max Hallet had this house built in 1904, according to the plans of Horta, to accommodate his clients and friends in a luxurious setting. Victor Horta decorated the living and reception areas according to Hallet's wishes. A subtle wonder of simplicity... the quintessence of this talent!

Our guide will once again be the excellent Lieve De Jonghe.

Please note that the event is limited to a maximum of 22 individuals and is a members-priority event. Non-members may sign up as of Wednesday, October 12.

After the visit, those who wish to may join us for a drink or a coffee in the neighborhood.

Event Details:

Date: Saturday, October 22, 2016.

Time: 1:45 p.m.

Place: Avenue Louise 346, 1050 Brussels.

Price: €35. ACB/AWCB/CCB members receive a discounted price of €30.

Public Transportation: Buses 38 and 60: Vleurgat; trams 93, 94: Vleurgat.

Reservations are due by Wednesday, October 19 at:

<http://www.americanclubbrussels.org/event-2317658>.

Payment in advance to ACB account BE55427919588144 (KREDBEBB). Please mention "Hallet" in the reference section of the bank transfer. Online payment with a credit card is also possible (through PayPal, but no actual PayPal account is required); pay when registering or use the link provided in the invoice.

Cancellations are possible until noon on Wednesday, October 19. Participants canceling after this time, as well as no-shows, are charged the full cost of the event.

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Dine-Out at Poivre et Sel



Please join us for our October Dine-Out on October 27 at Poivre et Sel, an authentic Italian restaurant nestled one block south of Place Luxembourg. Awarded a certificate of excellence from Tripadvisor, Poivre et Sel comes highly recommended as 'a breath of fresh air' and with authentic Italian cuisine.

Dine-outs are a great opportunity to meet old friends and make some new ones. If you have not yet been to a Dine-Out, or are looking to discover new restaurants in Brussels, this is the event for you.

MENU

Apéritif

Choice of Starters

Vitello Tonnato
or
Antipasto all'Italiana
or
Parmiggiana d'Aubergines

Choice of Main Courses

Pavé de Saumon Ecossais
or
Trio de Pâtes
or
Magret de Canard

Choice of Desserts

Tiramisu au Spéculoos
or
Nougat Glacé

Please indicate your menu choices when registering. Thank you.

Event Details:

Date: Thursday, October 27, 2016.

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: Poivre & Sel, Rue du Parnasse 2, 1050 Brussels – Tel. 02/503.46.93.

Public Transportation: Buses 12, 21, 22, 27, 34, 38, 64, 80, 95: Luxembourg.

Price: €50. ACB/AWCB/CCB members receive a discounted price of €45.
Price includes an apéritif, water, and half a bottle of red or white wine per person.

Reservations are due by Tuesday, October 25 at:

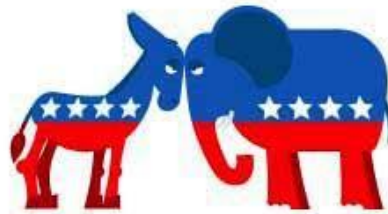
<http://www.americanclubbrussels.org/event-2341561>

Payment in advance to ACB account BE55427919588144 (KREDBEBB). Please mention "October Dine-Out" in the reference section of the bank transfer. Online payment with a credit card is also possible (through PayPal, but no actual PayPal account is required); pay when registering or use the link provided in the invoice.

Cancellations are possible until noon on Tuesday, October 25. Participants canceling after this time, as well as no-shows, are charged the full cost of the event.

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U.S. Election Night Fever



It's red versus blue on Tuesday, November 8, as voters go to the polls to choose the next president of the United States of America.

Don't miss live coverage as the results come trickling in. The Brussels Marriott Hotel will be the venue as [The Bulletin](#) and the [American Club of Brussels](#) host the capital's and country's biggest party. Officially opening the event will be U.S. Ambassador to Belgium Denise Campbell Bauer and Dr. Jamie Shea from NATO.

More than 1,500 people attended the 2012 all-night party when Barack Obama and Joe Biden were re-elected for a second four-year term. This year's election pits Democrat Hillary Clinton against Republican Donald Trump in probably the most famous (or infamous) duel in a very long time. Replicating the tussle taking place across the Atlantic, Belgian Democrats Abroad and Republicans Overseas will take to the floor to stage a debate.

Other entertainment includes live Country & Western music from The Kruger Brothers, a tombola, the chance to cast your vote in a straw ballot, and stands hosted by various American clubs and associations. The festivities start at 8:30 p.m. with American-themed food and drink plus a cash bar. Sample West Coast wines and enjoy hot dogs and other Uncle Sam specialties.

Event Details

Date: Tuesday, November 8, 2016.

Time: 8:30 p.m. until ...

Place: Brussels Marriott Hotel, Rue Auguste Orts 3-7, 1000 Brussels.

Price: €15.

Sign up: Watch this space for complete details on how to register and pre-pay. This information will be available shortly. Prepayment does not guarantee admission since the number of people allowed in the hotel at any given time is limited to 1,400. Do not be surprised if you have to wait in line since this event is incredibly popular and *the* place to be on election night!

Traditional Thanksgiving Dinner



Come join us for one of the American Club's most popular events: a traditional Thanksgiving dinner, consisting of roast turkey with all the trimmings, followed by an assortment of real American pies. This very American event will be held on Thanksgiving itself, i.e., on Thursday, November 24 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sheraton Hotel in Brussels. Whole turkeys are carved and served family style at tables for eight. It's just like home, only better, because someone else does the cooking! The menu will be

Apéritif

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New England Clam Chowder

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Turkey with stuffing
Mashed potatoes & gravy
Sweet potatoes
Green beans with mushrooms
Corn pudding
Beets
Cranberry Jelly

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Pecan pie
Mince pie
Apple pie
Pumpkin pie

We look forward to seeing you at one of the Club's very best annual events!

Event Details:

Date: Thursday, November 24, 2016

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Sheraton Brussels Hotel, Horizon Room (30th floor), Place Rogier 3, 1210 Brussels (St.-Josse-ten-Noode)

Price: €80 (includes apéritif, one-half bottle of house wine, soft drinks and mineral water); €40 for children under 12. ACB/AWCB/CCB members receive a discounted price of €75.

Public Transportation: Metro lines 2, 6, 3, 4: Rogier

Reservations are due by Friday, November 18, at:

<http://www.americanclubbrussels.org/event-2341621>

Payment in advance to ACB account BE55427919588144 (KREDBEBB). Please mention "Thanksgiving" in the reference section of the bank transfer. Online payment with a credit card is also possible (through PayPal, but no actual PayPal account is required); pay when registering or use the link provided in the invoice.

Cancellations are possible until noon on Friday, November 18. Participants canceling after this time, as well as no-shows, are charged the full cost of the event.

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