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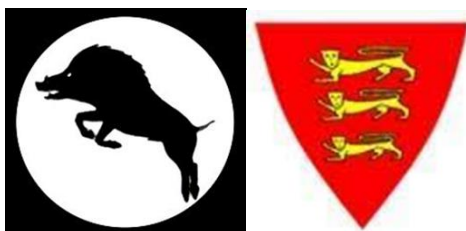
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Sunday September 15

Liberation Task Force



What a day, about 200 vehicles visited the center of Mierlo-Hout.

The weather was also kind to us this day, early in the morning the sun was in full glory in the sky.

At 10.30 am the first authentic vehicles drove through the Hoofdstraat.

Because the organization was in the hands of the municipality of Helmond this time, the vehicles were stopped on the Houtse Parallelweg. Unfortunately, there was very little public to be seen in the center on the main street.

It was nevertheless a spectacle to welcome these old vehicles to our beautiful Mierlo-Hout, just like in 2019 at the 75th anniversary commemoration.

The crew of all vehicles were provided with a packed lunch, which was offered on behalf of the residents of Mierlo-Hout.

Special thanks to Gemert Fire Brigade Pipes & Drums who were a musical addition to this day.





Sunday September 22

This year our memorial service was again on Sunday, like 5 years ago.

A special word of welcome for our English guests.

Patrick Edgington, Michelle en Steve Taylor, Jacqui Conway, Barry en Pamela Lockey.



As relatives of our liberators, they were very moved by the way they were received here and were allowed to attend the festivities for the rest of the day.

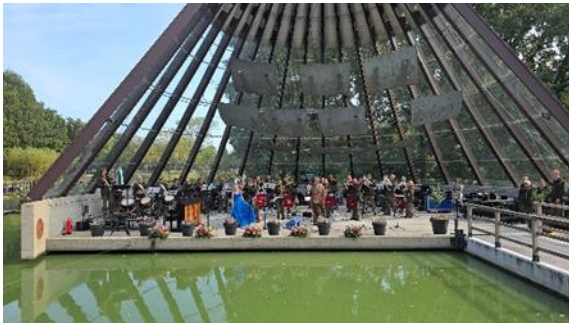
This day started with a Peace Service led by Pastor Pieter Scheepers.



The musical accompaniment to the Peace Service was provided by the wind ensemble Music Association Unitas and the choir Edith Stein.



At 12 noon there was a freedom concert in the Warande, with the cooperation of the Band of Liberation, who later in the afternoon also provided their musical accompaniment to the commemoration at our monument.



Gilde Sint Antonius Abt and Scouting Mierlo-Hout also had their input on this afternoon. Together with the Band of Liberation, the Freedom Fire was collected at 3 p.m. in the St. Lucia Church.



The fire of freedom was ignited by our new district councilor Thomas Tuerlings.



All in all, a very successful 80th commemoration day of the liberation of Mierlo-Hout.



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We would also like to thank: all the volunteers who helped make these festivities possible.

The event “80 years of freedom” was immortalized thanks to photo/video reports

Herbert von Reth (Helmond Live) | Henk van Dijk | Jan Dijstelbloem | Kelly Coolen | Michelle Taylor | Lili Vereijken | Adcommunication | Weekly newspaper the Loop Helmond

All images will soon be available on our website!

Ribbon for our secretary

September 15 was also a special day for our secretary Harrie Raaijmakers. He was decorated by our Mayor Ellie Blanksma as a Member of the Order of Oranje Nassau. He received this award mainly for his efforts in the Mierlo-Houts community, Carnival club the Houtse Kluppels, Football club RKSv Mierlo-Hout. But he received the greatest appreciation for what he has meant to our foundation to date.



Rabo Club Support campaign 2024



This year we also took part in the Rabobank Club Support Campaign

This year's proceeds are:

€261.38

**Thank you very much to everyone who voted for our organization!
We look forward to seeing you in the 81st year of liberation!**

**For more information about our Foundation, please refer to our website:
<https://monumentmierlohout.nl>.**

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