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THE HOLLAND CLUB, INC.

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Dear Friends:

With just over a week left, we hope that you've arranged or plan to arrange for that end-of-April essential--reservations for the Oranje Ball at Sagewood Country Club on April 28. It will be possible to make your reservations right up through the 27th by sending a check (made payable to THE HOLLAND CLUB, INC.) to Wim van Lohuizen, 7915 Glen Prairie. Be sure to specify how many places you are reserving for members (\$5.00) and how many for guests (\$6.50). As was stated in the announcement, there will be cocktails at 7:30, dinner at 8.15, and dancing afterwards to the music of The Townsmen.

Also, a new Treasurer and Director will be elected at the Ball. A nominating committee has submitted the names of Vincent Doodeheefver and Henk Dykstra for Treasurer and Herman van Voorthuysen and H. Odé for Director. If you wish to make further nominations for either of these offices, please submit such nominations to the secretary in writing by Wednesday, April 25, being sure to specify the office for your nominee. Only nominations submitted in this manner by the date specified will appear on the ballots.

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On April 30, the Consul General and Mrs. Engels will have a reception at their home, 5658 Candlewood, in honor of the Queen's birthday and of the Silver Wedding Anniversary of the Queen and Prince. This reception will be from 5 30 to 7:30 P.M., and members of the Holland Club, Netherlanders, ex-Netherlanders or friends of The Netherlands, are invited to attend.

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Carl van Nes of Atlas Travel, Inc. has asked us to announce that he will dispense free beer and herring to Holland Club members on Wednesday, April 25 from 8 00 P.M. on, at Falstaff Hall, 815 Live Oak Drive. There will be no admission charge, no cover charge, just lots of beer and herring courtesy of Mr. van Nes and Atlas.

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Bill and Nettie Willemstyn have landed in Atlanta, planted the flag, and advise that their new address is 3076 Del Monico Drive, Decatur, Georgia.

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In the past few years an increasing number of Dutch ships have been calling at Houston and consequently, crew members who need hospital care are being put off here, usually at Parkview Clinic on Harrisburg. Anyone who has visited in this hospital will agree that it is scarcely a pleasant place, the less so for the patients, who seldom have family or friends here, who sometimes can't communicate with a monolingual staff, and whose morale is justifiably low. Some of our ladies have been visiting the Dutch boys at Parkview, taking them books or magazines, frequently buying them small toilet articles, for which the ladies pay from their own pockets. This is an obvious and an excellent opportunity for the Holland Club to be of real assistance, and it has been decided that the Club will guarantee the availability of \$5.00 per month which will be used to purchase inexpensive but necessary items for the Dutch boys at Parkview.

At all future gatherings of the Club, there will be a box marked "Seamen's Fund" into which you can put any amount you wish. The "guarantee" means simply that, should we come up with only \$3.00 for a given month, the remaining \$2.00 will be made up from club funds. On the other hand, should there be more than \$5.00 donated for a given month, the excess will apply to the following month. This in no way means that anyone wishing to visit a boy at Parkview or take books or magazines should hesitate to do so. A donation certainly can't take the place of a visit, and we hope you'll have the desire and the opportunity to make both.

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Mr. de Konig has asked us to extend his thanks to all the people who visited him at the hospital after his recent heart attack. He is now at home at 413 Avenue E in South Houston.

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One of the Club's newest--and certainly its youngest--members is Charles Roberts Stevens, who was born to Anna Brita and Carroll Stevens on March 23rd.

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If you haven't gotten around to renewing your membership for the new year, you can still do so by sending a check made payable to the Club to Wim van Lohuizen, 7915 Glen Prairie.

Hope to see you at the Oranje Ball.

*KAREN VAN CASPEL*  
Karen van Caspel  
Secretary

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\$6.00 . . . . Dues in THE HOLLAND CLUB, INC. for 1962-1963

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Do you want your name and address on the list to be distributed to members? \_\_\_\_\_