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Windmill Whispers

January 2011

Winter in Holland



President's Corner

January 7, 2011

First of all, I would like to wish all of you in Houston a very Happy New Year from the blizzard state, Massachusetts. We had one a couple of weeks ago and this weekend we are in for storm number 2. They think it will dump 10 to 20 inches of snow tonight and tomorrow. I hope Glenn gets in before they shut down the airport!! No, my grandchild has not been born yet. We are still waiting on that little man. Glenn is coming back a second time and will fly back with me on January 16. My daughter will have this baby on January 11, if she has not delivered by then. She will be induced. I hope all goes well and she will have a healthy bouncing baby boy.

I hope every one is doing well and can't wait to see every one again at the Wine & Cheese Party and show my grandbaby's pictures!

I would like to thank Marja Pate for putting the new Windmill Whispers Newsletter together. It looks marvelous! I hope everybody feels the same way.

See all of you soon!!

Frieda Stephens

Editor's Report

"Welkom" to your first digital Windmill Whispers. In order to keep the issues simple, detailed information regarding the upcoming events or parties will be send in additional emails/newsletters.

This month you will also receive the 2010 Financial Statement separately.

Remember to renew your membership for 2011 if you have not done so! Your membership fee covers Holland Club expenses and helps underwrite the Club events.

If you want to share something with the Holland Club, feel free to email me. Do you have questions, concerns or comments? Let me know. Have a interesting Dutch picture? Send it to me. I received the above Dutch winter picture from one of our members.

Please note that I will make every effort that all information shared with you is correct, however, remember that "to err is human".

Tot de volgende maand!

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Birthdays

January

4 Angelique Piké
10 Sophia Zeno
15 Jim Flowers
18 Karsten Kleiweg
20 Leo Kleiweg
21 Peter Jagdeo
31 H.M.Koningin Beatrix

February

3 Paul Beenen
10 Cortney Flowers
11 Barry Weprin
16 Anna Cochran
21 Jan van Onzen
27 Sonja Cleary



Please notify the editor for any additions, deletions, or corrections on the birthday list.

Board Meeting

The January Board Meeting will be held at the home of Corry Bekker on Tuesday, January 11 at 7:30pm.

Her address is 5302 Cedar Bend Creek, Houston, 77041. Please let Corry know if you planning to attend. Board Meetings are open to all members! Call 832-243-0879 or email corryandjoe@sbcglobal.net

Koffie Uurtje



We are having a good start with our KOFFIE UURTJES in 2011, because we are booked through May 2011 thanks to all the volunteers to host the coffee mornings. We usually have a great turn out and it is very "gezellig"!

On Thursday, January 20, Adri Bormans will be the hostess starting at 10:30 am.

RSVP to Adri by phone at 281-346-2747 or by e-mail at adribormans@gmail.com no later than Tuesday, January 18.

The address is: 4810 Westerham in Fulshear, 77441. Follow FM 1093 until you arrive at the subdivision Weston Lakes. Once you pass the guard follow Weston Drive, turn right at the first stop sign (Waltham Crossing) and turn left at the second stop sign (Westerham). Last red brick house on the left in the cul-de-sac.

See you on the 20th!
Adri

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Hospitality

MacKenzie Renee Christopherson was born December 11, 2010. Mom and dad are Michelle and Matt, and her proud grandparents are Wesley and Marja Pate.



2011 Calendar of Events

January 29 - Wine & Cheese Party - more information will follow after the board meeting on Tuesday.

Klaverjas Night, December 2010

The Klaverjas party was hosted by Corrie and Jos Bekker. Thanks very much for a wonderful klaverjas and Christmas party. It was an afternoon party with dinner and Christmas gift exchange.

We had three tables of players and a lot of fun. Anneke and I were winners for the klaverjas, but everybody was a winner with the Christmas gifts exchange. It is always a lot of fun.

The next klaverjas night will be hosted by the Bill Vincent on January 22, 2011 at Junier's residence. They would like to start at 7:30 P.M. sharp. Please, call at 713-783-5871.

Yours Truly,
Robert Junier

Dit en dat.....

Wanted: Bridge Club Organizer

Adri Bormans is ready to step down. If you are interested in organizing the Bridge Club, please contact her for more details. adribormans@gmail.com or 281-346-2747.

Recipe Corner

Do you have a favorite recipe you'd like to share? E-mail it to Anneke Junier, our Recipe Coordinator, to add it to the Windmill Whispers.

Thank you to Berry Schendstok for sharing this recipe with the Holland Club.

NEW ENGLAND CLAM CHOWDER

INGREDIENTS

2 qt half & half (the ½ gallon is cheaper)

4 cans of baby clams

½ stick of butter

1 package of O'Brian Potatoes-thaw ed. (you may find it as hash brown or diced. I think the hash brown o'Brian potatoes are best)

1 green bell pepper

1 red bell pepper (or a 7oz jar diced pimientos - drained and rinsed)

1 med. Onion - chopped

Tony's Chachere Creole Seasoning (start with 2 level tablespoons and add more to your taste). Other Creole seasoning(s) may be used, but this brand works the best!

DIRECTIONS

Chop the peppers and onion

Melt the butter and sauté the peppers and onions for about 5-6 min.

Add the clams and their juice and simmer for 5 minutes

Add the Tony's seasoning

Add the half & half

Add 9 good shots of Tabasco sauce

Add the potatoes

Simmer (DO NOT BOIL) for 20 to 30 minutes - stir often

Tast ofen and add more seasoning if necessary

If you like it thicker, dissolve 1Tbs cornstarch in ¼ cup of w ater and continue cooking until thicker.

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