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## Windmill Whispers

June/July 2011



### President's Corner

Dear Members,

As I am sitting here writing my monthly letter to you I cannot believe my eyes, it is actually raining! What a great sight! We will not have to water our yards today!!

For those who were not at the Fish Fry, you missed a great day at the beach. The weather was perfect and a nice breeze blew all day. Even with the high temps we were all comfortable, believe it or not. The water temperature was just right, for me at least. Marion and Frans did a great job with help of their family members and some other helpful hands. This is a really big job. Not so much the cooking of the food, but all the prep that goes on before they even get to the beach. Then after all is said and done you have to pack everything back into the truck, unload, and wash everything when you get home, It's a three day job! Maybe next year we could have just a beach party and everybody bring something to share and we have one big picnic! Lets us know what you think about that. We will still have fun being together swimming, playing Bacci Ball and eating! But the workers can sit back and relax for a change! My daughter and her family were there for the first time and both said how much fun they had. My grandson, Tadhg, had a great time too. We took him in the water, he sat in the shade and we even had a little cabana for him to take a nap in. Not one peep did we hear out of him. He loved it! Of course, all the attention did not hurt either. So you see, whether you are 6 months old or 60 years a day at the beach is fun for all!

Hanna has arranged a bowling afternoon for us which I think will be a lot of fun. I'm sure there will be a lot of laughter seeing most of us are not bowling pros and have not bowled in years. My family will be there for sure and I hope more of you will join us. Oh did I say food and drink is included in the fee? So come out, eat pizza and bowl with the Holland Club!

Well, my dear members, try to stay cool. Just think, four more months and the temperatures will be comfortable again!!

Hope to see all of you real soon!  
Frieda Stephens

### Birthdays

June

- 1 Fabian van Onzen
- 2 Melanie Jagdeo

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*Iedereen van harte gefeliciteerd!*

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

## Editor's Note - Update on Membership Directory

The 2011-2012 Membership Directory was mailed out to all members last week. Please mark the following changes in your copy.

**Robert & Janti Meijn** - new phone: 832-687-5073 / new e-mail address: [meijnconsulting@aol.com](mailto:meijnconsulting@aol.com)

**Allan & Femmy Zirculis** have moved. Please cross out the address in the directory. New address will be provided later. E-mail remains the same.

## Hospitality

Berry Schendstok had shoulder surgery the end of May. We wish him a speedy recovery!

Please notify Ms. Margreet Piké at 713-270-8257 or [mneef@att.net](mailto:mneef@att.net) if you hear about other members being ill, having a family expansion or hear of a death. Margreet heads the Hospitality Committee, and can react for the Club in a fitting manner.



## Board Meeting Report

The Board met on Thursday, June 16 at the home of Anneke Junier.

- The 2011-2012 Membership Directory was mailed out. A brief discussion was held about memberships.
- The Camping Trip was reviewed by Paul Beenen. Only six people attended which was very dissappointing. Paul is considering scheduling this event again later in the year and hopes more people will attend. This is lodge/cabin "camping" with indoor facilities and a great kitchen.
- The Beach Party/Fish Fry was reviewed. Twenty-nine adults and seven children attended this annual favorite. Marion Pope reports it's a lot of hard work but also a lot of fun! She thanked Frans and Hanne for all their help.
- Frans Pike reported on the upcoming Bowling event for Sunday, July

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10. We need a minimum of 20 people to get the bowling/food package at the reserved price. The Club will underwrite \$10 for each member/\$5 for non-members. If we do not get the minimum it will cost the club more per person.

- Berry Schendstok is recovering from surgery.
- Several 2011 scheduled events might not take place. See more details about this below.

The next Board Meeting will take place on Tuesday, July 26 at the home of Corry Bekker, 5302 Cedar Bend Creek, 77041. Contact Corry if you would like to attend: [corryandjoe@sbcglobal.net](mailto:corryandjoe@sbcglobal.net) or 832-243-0879.

Board meetings are open to all members.

## 2011 Calendar of Events

July 10 - Bowling

August - Rijsttafel is on hold for now\*

October - Annual Meeting and Herring\*

November - Dutch-American Heritage Celebration

December - no Sint party at this time\*

December - Christmas Party

\*Rijsttafel: Anneke has not been able to find a new cook or find a new facility/location for this event. Due to time constraints, most likely this event will not occur this year.

\*Hutspot-Herring Party/Annual Meeting: Last year there were no volunteers to cook any Hutspot. Corry and Frieda ended up cooking for everyone. If there are no volunteers for this year, Corry will not offer her home for this event. A suggestion would be to drop the Hutspot and have only Herring with bread, snacks and cocktails instead, along with a quick Annual Meeting. The Board is open to suggestions from the membership. If you want to keep the Hutspot, we need volunteers. In order to continue the Holland Club into the new year we need an Annual Meeting and a Board. Please feel free to contact Frieda, Corry or any other board member with suggestions, ideas or solutions.

\*Sinterklaas Feest: At this time no location has been found. (St. Paul's Church is no longer available.) Koosje is still looking at facilities and we will keep you updated.

## The Dutch go Bowling!

**Sunday, July 10, 5-7pm**

**300 Houston**

**925 Bunker Hill Road, 77024**

**(by Memorial City Shopping Center)**

\$20 pp for members / \$25 pp for non-members

Reservation with payment is due by Tuesday, July 5.

Mail to: Frieda Stephens, 18618 Keystone Oak St., Houston, TX 77084

Click here to open for a [Bowling Flyer](#) (pdf file!) with more info.

If you have trouble opening the file, please email the editor at [hollandclub@yahoo.com](mailto:hollandclub@yahoo.com).

(Visit [www.300houston.com](http://www.300houston.com) for more info on this facility.)

### **Koffie Uurtje**

The Koffie Uurtje is taking a summer break in July and August. In September will continue with at the home of Willemien Slikker. Date to follow in the August Windmill Whispers.

Have a great summer!

Adri Bormans - Koffie Uurtje Coordinator

### **Klaverjas News - May**

On May 21 we played Klaverjas at Lotti and Charles Ritzie's home. We had three tables of players who really wanted to win, but Glenn Stephens and I (yes, me again) won for the night. We had a great time, lots of good food, good conversation and some good drinks. It was another fun night playing klaverjas.

Thank you, Charles and Lotti, for opening your home for this fun evening.

### **Klaverjas News - June**

On June 25 we played klaverjas at Cory and Helen Hoogendam's house. We only had two tables with four players. So Cory, Helen and Jos Bekker played their own little game, which was playing klaverjas with only 3 people. I think they had fun too, anyway. Anyway, as you can see, I won again and I have to write this little article to let everybody know how much fun we had. The winner for the men was Robert Junier.

The next klaverjas party will be held at the Bekker's home on July 23rd.

Come join us if you want to play klaverjas and have some fun! We can teach you how to play!

Thank you, Cory and Helen, for this fun evening and opening your home.

Best regards,  
Corry Bekker

### **Beach Party & Fish Fry Review**

This is the first time I went to the Fish Fry at Surfside Beach. I had my son's 3 children, Kade (14), Keaton (12) and Kole (6), so I wanted to introduce them to the Gulf of Mexico. What a GREAT ORGANIZED event this was!

Jack also went and we sat under one of three tents in the shade. The 3 kids had such a good time in the water. Once I got them past the seaweed the water was wonderful and clean. Then came the fish - WOW! Frans did a great job in frying the fish to perfection with the help of Hanne and Marion. We had onion rings, Dutch fries, and the sweetest corn on the cob I ever tasted. Everyone had a great time and there was plenty to eat. My grandkids were also very impressed and are ready to come again next year. They are living in New Mexico so they really enjoyed the beach. We had a great crowd and I'm sorry if you missed it.

Until next June!  
Marti Hedemann



## Recipe Corner - Sausage Lover's Dip

Ingredients:

- 1 (16 oz.) package pork sausage
- 2 tbsp water
- 1 (10 oz.) package frozen, chopped spinach, thawed and well drained.
- 1 (8 oz.) pkg. cream cheese, softened
- 1 (8 oz.) container sour cream
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 (10 oz.) can diced tomatoes and green chiles, drained
- ½ tsp. garlic powder

Cook sausage in a large skillet over medium-high heat about 10 minutes, stirring until sausage crumbles and is no longer pink. Drain. Stir in 2 tablespoons water; cover and cook 1 minute. Stir in spinach and next 5 ingredients. Cook, stirring constantly, until thoroughly heated. Serve with corn or tortilla chips.

Please, send your favorite recipes to Anneke Junier (for publishing in the Windmill Whispers.

## Pest Control Corner by Barry Weprin R.S.

Summer arrived today officially, however, for the little sugar ants it feels like Labor Day Weekend. I have always had the feeling that the ants have suffered through the dry hot August and they make their way into homes at the beginning of September to cool off and get a drink. These ants are invading homes right now and it is simple to get them under control. First do not spray them because you are only killing the old workers looking for food the rest of the ants in the nest will break the nest up into three as a defense and spread through the home. What you should do is buy some liquid ant bait called Terro and put it out as directed. For pest control call me at 281-497-6308.



## Sports from Holland

By Barry Weprin

The champion of the Dutch Soccer season was crowned on the very last day of the competition. Twente was in first place by a point over Ajax after 33 matches. The last game was between the two in Amsterdam. Twente had won the Cup a week earlier with a come from behind effort against Ajax which lead 2-0 then they came back and won 3-2. However it was Ajax winning the final match 3-1 to make them the champs.

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