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## Clapped out of the board....

What a lot of changes the Coronavirus has brought. For example, a large part of our population tries to keep at least 1.5 meters away. There is much more poverty and attention to poverty. Are we going to take away more and more food. There was a curfew for a while and there are more and more apps to record our behaviour, to follow us. We are doing more and more video calling and there is a lot of attention for moving. More and more packages are being delivered and returned. But there is also more and more neighbourly help. And it becomes very clear that the neighbour participation has not succeeded. However, there are more and more creative solutions. Is there a shortage of chips, which means that the car industry, among other things, is stagnating. The cultural sector and cafes are having a very difficult time.

Our Door and For Evenings could not continue. And there is also more and more attention for dementia. More and more villages are coming into the picture. Due to the restriction of our freedom of movement, there is more and more loneliness. Our economy is under severe pressure. Sales of e-bikes have skyrocketed. But there is by all kinds of facebook groups as it was increasingly attention for our heritage. In some places, very active E.H.B.E. groups "first aid for loneliness" have been established. People are increasingly on Facebook. Look for: **Valkenswaard zoals het was**, or for: **Waalre zoals het was**. Depending on your place of interest. That's where fun discussions arise. The number of movies viewed via NETFLIX, VIDEOLAND or just via a DVD has increased enormously. But also making your own films and photos has risen sharply due to bike rides, walks, etc.

Is there also more and more attention for our health and our entire community is having a very difficult time with all the measures around Corona. Unfortunately, domestic violence has increased enormously. House prices have risen enormously.

Dog ownership has also increased significantly. But the dog poo problem has also increased considerably. Have we never washed our hands so often. Please take each other into account. Our walk-in house was also closed for many weeks. New initiatives arose such as window vision instead of maternity visits, video calling, team meetings, etc./etc.. The rest of this text will be covered in our next newsletter.

## Theatre performances



Our district Kerkakkers, the municipality and theatre De Hofnar are joining forces to make theatre performances accessible to a wider audience. We can offer all residents a few free performances. The performances will be streamed live on our projection screen in the room of the De Horizon building, at Amundsenstraat 5. Below is an overview of the performances:

- Sunday 17 October 3:00pm:  
Koninklijke Harmonie UNA - LUNA
- Sunday 7 November 2:00pm:  
Dialect Zogezééd - Da moete we aon zien te houwe
- Sunday 28 November 3:00pm:  
Harmonie De Dommelecho - Speel, muzikanten, speel

It's not quite certain yet that we'll get everything well organized. If the performances take place, you will receive an announcement or registration option from us. In any case, you can already think about it.

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## Opening party orchard "De Rijt"

On Saturday morning, July 17, the first enthusiastic neighbourhood resident will already drive into the street to help make everything in order for our party that day. It would not be because of the weather, we got a bright sun, a beautiful day. "You get what you deserve" they say. After weeks of preparation and especially good communication with each other, we can look back on a very successful party. In the morning more people come to help, we were with a team of 7 enthusiasts. When the marquee was standing, the sign to be unveiled was provided with our flag, the coffee, tea and ranja were ready to go, the strawberries were cleaned, the sound system connected and a nice music played through the street, everyone went home for lunch quickly.

From 12:30 pm the first guests came and gradually this part of the Le Sage ten Broekstraat was full of local residents, we eventually counted more than 100 people. While enjoying a cup of coffee or tea and a delicious strawberry, we listened to the inspired speech of Jan Sanders.



Afterwards, mayor Anton Ederveen gave a nice speech. Together with alderman Theo Geldens and Ankie Slaats, Jan and Anton revealed the information board that the municipality had made for our orchard. On that plate you can read exactly which fruit trees there are. We all placed different ones so that we have fruits long in season. There is also a nut and sweet chestnut tree. The trees had just been fertilized, pruned and twigs had

been bent over with strings. We learned this from a renowned retired fruit grower from our municipality. The municipality also placed a bee hotel and there are plans to place beehives. The vegetation of the orchard looks like "weeds" to many people, but those are the host plants of butterflies, bees and other insects. The municipality promised to sow another flower mixture. In short: everything has been done to create an optimal situation so that the trees will give us many fruits.

There is another local resident who wants to hang homemade birdhouses, a very nice idea. Placing chairs or benches was not a good idea, the youth has in the past destroyed a bench on the Kloosterstap cycle path. But feel free to bring your own (folding chair and relax for an hour in the orchard, that's enjoying it!! We hope that the orchard will also become a meeting place for local residents. The orchard will connect people and we can develop activities around the orchard. Back to July 17: After the "opening talks of Jan and Anton" the residents went to see the orchard. In the meantime, especially young children handed in their coloring page for our coloring page contest. Bernadette Winters did the award ceremony in such a way that it completely matched the children's world of experience, it was a lot of fun. We also received a homemade gift from a neighborhood resident, a beautiful painted stone, which gets a nice spot!!

When the coffee, tea, syrup and strawberries were almost finished, the many people had talked to each other, the local residents did not go home earlier before they were given a home-grown sunflower plant. Jan Gijsbers had done his best for that and everyone liked it. We look back on a beautiful day.

Would you like to help with taking care of the orchard? Do you have any ideas for the orchard? Do you want to learn how to prune, bend, fertilize fruit trees for optimal results? Then register at our secretariat, you are very welcome. Join us!

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## New stores in our district

One of the objectives of our district committee is to support (starting entrepreneurs in expanding brand awareness in the district. Below are some shops that have recently been located in our district:

**NiceWellness**

**Nice Wellness**, Jan Vlekkestraat 28

Nicole Wijnands has a wellness salon at home. She does massages, waxing, scrub, epilation, dyeing, masks, cleansing, day / night care etc. Facebook page: nice wellness If you also have a company or shop in our district and you want some extra brand awareness, please let our secretariat know.

## Open Day at new N69

In mid-October, the road will open to traffic, but will you come and have a look at Saturday 2 October? Put it in your calendar. Come and walk or cycle on the new road. More info: [www.grenscorridorN69.nl](http://www.grenscorridorN69.nl)



## Offer of help

Under the motto: "HELP YOUR NEIGHBOURS" we want to map the offer by means of a postcard, together with our street contact persons, to start with all of all the streets west of the Dr. Schaepmanstraat: Mgr. Zwijzenstraat, Meester van Sonstraat, Alberdinck Thijmstraat, Pater van Elsenstraat, Judocus Smitstraat, Pater Rijkenlaan, Hubert van Nispenstraat, Dr. J. van Beurdenstraat, Minister Aalbersestraat (partially and Le Sage ten Broekstraat.

On the postcard are the following things:

- administration update
- shopping
- keep company (chat, games etc.
- dog walking
- homework guidance
- klike put out
- chores in / around house
- maintenance garden (max. 20m2
- transport to doctor, family etc.
- walk
- something else, namely : .....

You can indicate whether you want to give help once or more often. If you are already giving help, you can also indicate whether you want to give extra help. In the next newsletter we will indicate how, with whom and under what conditions we want to link the demand for help and the offer. If the mapping of offers is a success, we may also apply it in the other streets of our district. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

## High speed on Dommelseweg

Due to the temporary closure of the Bergstraat and the Westerhovenseweg, it will be very quiet on the Dommelseweg, but that invites people to drive a bit faster ..... Be careful when crossing.

