



# A View from the Terrace

## DEAR RESIDENTS OF THE TERRACE

Every year on the second Monday of October we celebrate Thanksgiving Day. We are encouraged to express gratitude to God for His gracious provision of more than sufficient food for all of us. We give thanks for another bountiful harvest and the plentiful supply of our daily food, which is so readily available to us. But that was not always the case. For those of us who were children or teenagers in the Netherlands Oct. 14 this year will bring back memories of a very difficult time during WW2. It will be exactly 75 short years ago that the events of the hunger winter of 1944-45 took place. The Allied armies had liberated the southern part of the country, but these efforts came to an abrupt halt when the attempts to seize a bridge across the Rhine at Arnhem failed. The Dutch government had escaped to England when the Nazi's invaded the Netherlands on May 10, 1940. So it was from there that queen Wilhelmina often spoke to her citizens by short-wave radio. She encouraged the Dutch people to help speed up the Allied liberation efforts by opposing the German administration as much as possible and to make travel difficult for them. She advised the Dutch national railways to go on strike in the first week of September, 1944, which was widely accepted and enthusiastically carried out. The Nazi government promptly retaliated by placing an embargo on all food transports to the western Netherlands. In response to the railway strike, food transports to the western Netherlands were banned. After six weeks the ban was withdrawn, but the supply remained frozen because of the dismantled railway network and the German requisitioning of goods. During the harsh winter of 1944/45, the so-called *hunger winter*, there were severe food shortages in the cities. The transport of coal from the liberated south also ceased. Gas and electricity were shut off. People chopped down trees and dismantled empty houses to get fuel. City dwellers went on hunger expeditions to the countryside to buy or barter for food from farmers. More than 20,000 people died of starvation. Is it any wonder that "give us this day our daily bread" will always remain very meaningful for our generation? B.L

## OUR OCTOBER BIRTHDAY BOYS AND GIRLS

7	Abe Knecht	Den Hoorn	421
8	Peter DeBruyne	Veere	401
15	Joanne Dieleman	Schiedam	317
15	Tillie Roorda	Metslawier	419
18	Jake Hoek	Katwijk	307
21	Joe Drost	Wanneperveen, Ov.	412
24	Fred DeBeer	Nes (Fr)	207
28	Frank Ritskes	Smilde	111
28	(Betsy Heersink)	Aalten	404
29	John Kralt	Grimsby	Offi

Happy Birthday and have a wonderful day

## *Your Thanksgiving thoughts*



The richest wealth is  
**Wisdom.** The strongest  
weapon is **Patience.**  
The best security is **Faith.**  
The greatest tonic is  
**Laughter,** & surprisingly  
**all are free.**

**FROM THE BOARD AND MANAGEMENT OF  
"EVERGREEN TERRACE"**

**Residents' Annual Meeting**

A reminder to all our residents of our upcoming Annual Residents' Meeting to be held on Monday October 28th at 9:30am in the fellowship hall of the Mountainview church. Due to the fellowship hall being used as polling station for the Oct. 21st federal election, our meeting is held a week later than other years. Reserve this date on your calendar, as in years past, this promises to be a wonderful social event with coffee, tea and goodies and an interesting guest speaker, followed by a light lunch.

**Welcome to Evergreen Terrace**

Welcome to John & Irene VanHoffen, who have moved into suite 415. A hearty welcome to our Evergreen Terrace community, may God bless you richly in your new home.

**Monthly Occupancy Charge**

The following is some relevant information for all residents and Life Lease owners of Evergreen Terrace.

As a resident/owner /Life Lease holder, you pay on the first of every month your monthly occupancy fee or charge (as it is called in your "Life Lease Occupancy Agreement").

This monthly amount represents your proportionate share of the operating expenses of Shalom Evergreen Terrace.

The rate is set by the board annually with 30 days notice given of any increase in the occupancy charge. A resident's share is based on the size (square feet) of their suite, as a proportion of the total net or suite area of the Terrace.

The occupancy fees are used to pay for such things as maintaining and repairing all the common areas and facilities of the building.

Items paid for from the operating fund are:

-Hydro and natural gas for common areas as well as the heating and cooling of your suite.

-Insurance, both property and liability for the building as well as for the board of directors.

-A capital replacement reserve fund (the "Reserve Fund") for major repairs to the building and facilities, including replacement of furniture and appliances. One typical major item this past year was replacing the shingles on our roof.

-Lawn care and landscaping, snow removal and garbage removal.

- Daily cleaning and upkeep of the common areas.

- Administrative, management and custodial services.

Items not covered by the monthly occupancy fees for your suite are: Hydro for your suite, telephone, cable TV and other utilities not specifically included. Municipal taxes are also not covered and are invoiced by the office to the residents on a proportionate basis in four payments throughout the year. D.V.

**PROFILE OF JOHN & IRENE VANHOFFEN, UNIT 415.**

The VanHoffens lived on Mud Street in Grassie. They had greenhouses where they grew flowers. They also had 60,000 chickens for meat and kept them until they weighed four pounds. They have seven children. One is a pastor in B.C. and the others live in this area. A.D.

**FROM THE SAFETY COMMITTEE.**

All of us are getting used to the "Fire Avert" system. It will be very helpful if we know how to use it. If anyone, especially the new residents, has problems with this, please ask for help from John Koornneef (unit 309) or Dick at the office. For the new residents: we have an active group of people, called Safety Committee. Our building is very safe, but sometimes small problems come up. We try to solve those! If any of you would like to join this committee, please let us know, either John Kralt at the office or Rose Philip at unit 501. R.P.

**SOCIAL ACTIVITY COMMITTEE REPORT**

The S.A.C. got organized as an official committee.

The roles are divided as follows:

Chair person	Audrey Pieters	508
Vice chair	Dini Post	105
Treasurer	Kit Rustenburg	311
Secretary	Mary Alkema	209
Vice all	Eve Baartse	106

The coffee socials on Wednesday from 2:30-3:30 have started and are very well attended.

If you are planning for a special occasion with a nice treat during the coffee social, please let the committee know at least a week ahead so they can keep things straight and going smooth.

We are planning for Christmas already and will keep you up to date on the planning for that.

We are also looking for some volunteers to organize a New Years get together for Dec. 31. If you are interested please let a committee member know. A.P.

**RESIDENTS PICTURE BOOK**

We will be taking pictures to update our Picture Directory on Tuesday October 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM. We would like to take pictures of all our new residents, and those who have had their status changed in the last year, or just would like a new picture. A signup sheet will be posted on the bulletin board by the mail boxes. B.&G.K.