

BUURTKRANT 'KIJK OP DE WIJK'

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VERENIGING MAREDIJKBUURT

HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT WHAT TO DO IF YOU NEED TO REPLACE YOUR CENTRAL HEATING BOILER? HAVE YOU EVER THOUGHT ABOUT WHAT TO DO IF YOU NEED TO REPLACE YOUR CENTRAL HEATING BOILER?

And what to do if you might want to buy a (hybrid) heat pump?

I actually didn't think about that until we talked about it in our sustainability group. Because in most cases, you will be surprised by the failure of your current central heating system and won't have enough time to think long and hard about possible options. So hereby we want to invite you to think about that now, just in case.

There are a few things to consider. First of all, a heat pump is quite an investment, and you might not have that kind of money in your bank account. Fortunately, you will earn this amount back in time, and there are subsidies available. Depending on your income, you can borrow money interest-free, but that requires thinking ahead.

You also might like to know in advance how big a heat pump is; will it fit in my house? The indoor unit may be smaller than my central heating boiler, but where do I place the outdoor unit? And how much noise does such a heat pump make? Can I put that on myself and the neighbors?

Fortunately, there are neighbors in the neighborhood who already have a (hybrid) heat pump. We have asked them if we can visit them with some other interested neighbors, and we are welcome to do so. Please let us know if you would like to join us.

However, you may be worried about whether you'll get heat enough in your home. What else do you need to do for insulation? Or you have questions about other solutions like infrared, PVT, air conditioning or ground source heat. And what are the municipality's short- and long-term plans for our neighborhood? Can I participate in them and when is that?

In short, switching to a (hybrid) heat pump is not a decision you take lightly. We offer to help you with that.

If you like to browse around on your own, we refer you to some websites:

- <https://www.energiekleiden.nl/warmtepomp-spreekuur/>

- <https://www.eigenhuis.nl/verduurzamen/verwarmen/warmtepomp>

For all residents of the Maredijk neighborhood we are organizing a meeting in the Maredijkhuis on April 9th starting at 8 pm with speakers from the municipality, heat pump specialists and experienced neighbors. There will be plenty of time for all your questions.

Also, on March 22 and 29 it is possible to go and have a look at different houses in Leiden. Go to <https://www.energiekleiden.nl/leidse-duurzame-huizen-dagen/> for the possibilities.

Sustainability group: Ester Nieuwhuis together with Ad, Aad, Maarten and Leo

TALENT IN OUR SPACE



September 13 is the day of the annual party in the Maredijk neighborhood! The organizing committee has already started preparations. Familiar activities, such as the street dinner are certainly on the program and there are also plenty of activities for children in and around the playground.

In addition, we would also like to organize something new this year and we are therefore looking for talent. People young, old and everything in between are all very welcome. Are you musically or creatively talented, please sign up at maredijkbuurt@gmail.com. We want to give as many local residents as possible the opportunity to show their skills. We are also looking for local residents who work at Estec and would like to share their experiences.

Are you enthusiastic, do you have a nice idea or do you want to know more? Then call or app to Ivar Heemskerck, 06-28820664.

Green in the Neighbourhood

In the plan for the neighbourhood (Buurtvisie) green was one of the main themes. We wanted more diverse green and also enough room for the kids to run around and play in. A 'green group' was formed and they fought for this vision to become a reality. They had talks with the neighbours and the municipal. After all of the wishes and ideas had been collected a plan was made for more diversity in regards to native trees, shrubs and other plants to be planted around the Parmentierweg/Virulypad. In recent weeks the municipal has planted everything we wanted and we are very happy with the result! We hope spring will be kind in order for the plants to get a chance to grow.



Litter collectors



This week the neighbours involved in the litter collection group will clean up the Maredijkbuurt! You can help by not dropping your litter in the street, this includes cigarette butts. Or you can join them in cleaning up the streets.

Maybe this can be practice for the National Cleaning Day (Landelijke Opschoondag) on 22 March?

4 July: General Members Meeting and summer drinks ((zomer)borrel)

Short news

Workshop painting for children

On Sunday 9 March Driekske Bakker will lead a painting workshop. The theme for this year is Fishes in the Deep Sea.

The workshop will start at 14:00 hours/2pm. There are 8 spots available and the children need to be 8 years or older.

Both the Buurtvereniging and the Speeltuinvereniging are hosting this afternoon. The Speeltuinvereniging is sponsoring the costs for the materials, thanks for that!

Do you want to participate? Sign up by sending an e-mail to: driekskebakker@gmail.com

As soon as you receive a confirmation from Driekske you can participate.



Dinner at the Maredijk

On 21 March we'll be having dinner at the Maredijk.

It's a surprise as to what we will be serving, but you can be sure it's going to be tasty!

Everyone is welcome from 18:00 hours/6pm. For adults it will cost €5 and for children it will cost €2,50.

Please let us know you'll be coming to dinner by sending an e-mail to:

tenopdemaredijk@gmail.com

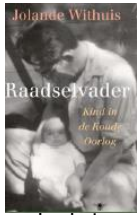


And then there's coffee

Every Tuesday starting from 10:30 hours/am coffee is being served at the Maredijkhouse at the playground. Everyone is more than welcome to come and have a cup of coffee or tea. It's always fun (gezellig) to have a cookie and catch up. So... don't be shy and stop by!



Book club



On Sunday, 23 March, the book club will be held. This time we're reading 'Raadsvader' (Riddle Father) by Jolande Withuis. We will start at 14 hours/2pm. Do you want to participate in this session, please let us know by mailing Peter Cambier at p.cambier@planet.nl.

The famous chess journalist Berry Withuis (1920-2009) was raised in a reformed family. As 12-year-old he lost his faith in God. Later he became a communist and editor at 'De Waarheid' (the truth), a newspaper. His daughter Jolande (1949) grew up with her father's political views, but as she grew up, she became an admonished critic of communism. This paved the way for her into authorship and science, but it also drove a wedge between her and her father. After his death she couldn't get over the fact that she never really got to know her father as a person, while she had admired him so much while growing up. In the book 'Raadsvader' she tries to reconstruct his life with the help of his national security file, amongst other documents.

Withuis creates a sharp and moving view on her relationship to her father which reflects our recent world history. The book shows the reader a view of the Cold War from the inside: "I was five years old, but I knew: we are the enemy."

ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

Maredijk Neighborhood

Weekly Activities at/in the Maredijkhuis

Day

Time

Activity

Contact / Notes

Sunday

11:00 Basketball in the cage

Gather at the playground

Monday

14:00 Sing-In (neighborhood choir)

Christa de Boer, 06 52649828

Tuesday

10:30 Walking with neighbors

Dik Toet, 06 23348489

Wednesday

10:00 Coffee meetup (open house)

Joke Spannenburg, 071 5222509

Thursday

10:00 Books in the neighborhood

Sigrid Jansen, 06 11524565

10:30

Handicrafts Gé van Vliet, 06 22258969

20:00

Get more out of your iPad

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Saturday

10:00 Toy Library Klapstuk

06 24211018, www.sot-klapstuk.nl

11:00

Books in the neighborhood

Sigrid Jansen, 06 11524565

10:30

Fit with Kit (exercise)

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20:00

Klaverjassen (card game)

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Scheduled Neighborhood Activities

Date

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Contact / Notes

March 9

14:00 Painting for children

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March 21

18:00 Dining at Maredijk

etenopdemaredijk@gmail.com

March 23

14:00 Book Club

Peter Cambier, p.cambier@planet.nl

April 13

14:00 Plant Market

Sigrid Jansen, sigridmcjansen@gmail.com

April 18

18:00 Dining at Maredijk

Tentative! April 18 is Good Friday

July 4

20:00 General Meeting & Summer Drinks

maredijkbuurt@gmail.com

Other Contacts	
Topic	Contact Person / Details
Community Garden Tamboerpad	Bert van Sprundel, 06 13681169
Sunday Workshops	Sigrid Jansen, sigridmcjansen@gmail.com
Facade Gardens	Marian Smit, mariansmit@casema.nl
Neighborhood Cleanup	Bert van Sprundel, 06 13681169
Playground	Open Mon–Fri 10:00–17:00, usually also Sat & Sun, www.svmaredijk.nl
Community Police Officer	Lakhdar ben Taieb, 0900 8844, Langegracht 11, 071 5258865
Reports on Living Environment	Call 14071

BECOME A MEMBER!

We need your support!

The neighborhood association has **about 225 members**—people who feel connected to each other and to the community. We are an **active association**, organizing many events **for and by** neighborhood residents.

Are you not a member yet? **Sign up today!**

Fill out the registration form on our website: www.maredijkbuurt.nl.

Membership costs only **€7.50 per year**.

You can also pick up a form at **Sigrid Jansen, Marislaan 59**.

JOIN US AND BECOME A MEMBER!

CALL FOR A NEW BOOKSHELF VOLUNTEER

In the Maredijkhuis, there are two bookshelves filled with books from the **Boekenzolder**. For the past **10 years**, Maria, John, and José have faithfully maintained these bookshelves—regularly replacing books and ensuring a varied selection.

As neighbors, we can **borrow books for free** and return them after reading.

After a decade of dedication, Maria, John, and José would now like to pass on this task to a new volunteer.

So, here's our call for help:

Who would like to take care of the bookshelves and refresh the collection from time to time with books from the Boekenzolder?

If you're interested, please let us know via email: maredijkbuurt@gmail.com.

If no one volunteers, the books will be returned to the **Boekenzolder**.