

# The Smoorenburg Scoop

## Vital Statistics

### Birthdays

Day	Age	Name
12/1	28	Myron A. Smoorenburg
12/3	53	Marion van der Linden- Smoorenburg
12/3	19	Matthew W. Smoorenburg
12/10	67	Greta F. van der Rijst
12/12	3	Pien Visser
12/17	61	Nico van der Horst
12/18	67	Alida M. Smoorenburg
12/19	25	Marjan van der Linden
12/20	2	Chiara Peekel
12/21	41	John G. Smoorenburg
12/21	41	Alice E. Rauch- Smoorenburg
12/25	36	Nando Wolfsen
12/28	11	Gwendi Smoorenburg
12/29	2	Nicole Smoorenburg
12/30	64	Ria Boumans- Smoorenburg

### Anniversaries

Day	Years	Couple
12/15	8	Bob & Coby Schaefer
12/17	6	Aad & Edith Peekel
12/27	26	Jan & Marion

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## Family Census

The response to the Family Census form that was in last month's Scoop was very disappointing. Of the 60 copies that were sent 2 came back with bad addresses. 25 were returned and 33 did not respond. As promised, the addresses of the family members who responded are in this issue. If I receive any other responses I will put them in subsequent issues.

If any of you have the correct addresses for the following people I would appreciate it if you would send them to me. **Mik Leijendekker-Smoorenburg**, Jacob Catslaan 7, 3768 Soest, The Netherlands or **Jelke van der Horst**, Julianastraat 15, 2316 NT Leiden, The Netherlands.

According to the census and other sources of information, the following family members are planning to attend the March 1998 reunion in Houston. I'm sure there will be others but I haven't heard from them yet.

Bianca Bijlsma  
Michelle Dennett (maybe)  
Cheerey, Ronnie, Amy, & Mia Ferriss  
Larry & Mandy Helseth  
Astrid Smoorenburg & Bob Johnson  
Elisabeth Leunissen & Mike (maybe)  
Mylene Romanello, Steve Nash, & Sandi Romanello  
Sarah Romanello  
Coby & Bob Schaefer  
Anthony, Jean, Matthew, & Anne Smoorenburg  
Myron Smoorenburg & Faith  
Henk Smoorenburg  
Marion Smoorenburg & Nancy (maybe)  
Frank & Louise Smoorenburg  
Gus Smoorenburg & Marion Holm  
John, Cathy, & Eric Smoorenburg  
Frank, Jolene, Ethan, & Nicole Smoorenburg  
Marion & Jan van der Linden

## Family News

### Jan & Marion van der Linden

We are going for Christmas time to the Netherlands from December 16 until January 5. We are looking forward to being there and to taking some pictures. When we are back, we will send you some pictures of the family. We do not have a scanner yet but we might buy one in the States sometime.

### Larry & Mandy Helseth

We had a nice family Thanksgiving dinner here on November 27. Larry's Mom and sister were here along with our niece Allison and her husband Josh. Our good friend Bill Legler was here also. They made a nice group of seven. Larry was his usual angelic self for this family dinner. He does most of the work and lets me be the helper.

## Family News

We are planning to host Christmas dinner also.

My computer had a problem that took me 4 days to fix (with the holiday in the middle). I'm still not sure if everything works. Computer problems make me grouchy; maybe I need a new line of work.

### Marie Louise & Harold Mattin

The Smoorenburg Scoop is always nice to receive. I enjoy reading all about the family although I don't know much about the young ones in the family, being of your Dad's generation. It's put very nice together especially with the photos.

We mostly are this time of year with our daughter in North Carolina until January, but this year we're staying home. We are hoping that Rita and Anthony will visit the family in England some time next year. We are so happy that Rachael, (Rita's second daughter) who used to live in Houston, has come to live in England now with her husband. So now and again they spend a weekend with us, which is lovely.

It is like a circle, Rita went to live in the US and her daughter is now in England. Strange how it all works.

We are having dull days at the moment, rain and mist, short days and long evenings, so we read a lot now.

I soon have to start baking the Christmas cake, do love cooking and baking. A good thing as Harold has a good appetite plus enjoys food!

Give my best wishes to your Dad. He probably doesn't remember me anymore.

### Coby & Bob Schaefer

We are glad you are planning a reunion again. We are planning to include the reunion in our winter plan. We will be in Florida in February and could go home the long way and try to be in the middle of March in Houston.

We looked for campgrounds in that area, no reservations, driveup only. That makes it a little hard for us not being sure to have a place to stay. Any suggestions?

We traveled a lot this past year, besides Florida, a trip to Vermont and Canada. We went on a European trip by bus. Flew into Amsterdam, then by bus to northern Holland, to Hamburg (beautiful city), to Copenhagen, Stockholm, by boat to Helsinki... St Petersburg, then to Moscow. Bularus, Warsaw, Berlin and back to Amsterdam. We learned all over again about Peter the Great and Katrina. It was quite an experience. All of this in 3 weeks. Besides we never got our suitcases until we were back home. We learned to travel light, ha ha. Thanks to the pant pressers and hairdryers in the hotel rooms we managed well. We bought some clothing. +- 3400 miles. This trip Bob could enjoy it too because he didn't have to drive. The bus and driver were from Holland so I had a chance to speak Dutch.



This is a map of Bob & Coby's 3-week trip through Europe.

### Caspar & Elisabeth Smoorenburg

Gosh, we never knew there were so many Smoorenburgs! Every time we receive another Scoop, we say we should now write something too but we never get around to it. We are pretty busy trying to develop a bird and wildlife park and Caspar is always very busy with breeding birds and looking after approximately 400 birds.

Hopefully we'll have some more time sooner or later and we'll be putting an article in for the Scoop. Unfortunately, our work commitments also make it impossible to attend the reunion in Houston, but who knows maybe some other time we'll meet. Otherwise we'd better invite people to come over here! We're not connected to the Internet and at work (Elisabeth) progress is pretty slow, and the boss doesn't seem to be able to make a decision and get connected either! Anyway, thanks for keeping us informed.

(To Elisabeth & Caspar: I have wanted to go to Australia for a visit every since I did a report about Australia in the 5th grade. You may find me on your doorstep someday in work clothes and ready to help with the critters. Mandy)

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