

Neighbours' Day September 27

Together with LuuXX and Lunet, we will work in the



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neighborhood to make nesting boxes, insect hotels, peanut necklaces and flower pots with fat balls. We will be carpentry, screwing, building, stringing, painting and decorating.

You are welcome from **1:00 pm** in Lunet Wijkcentrum "in de Inloop" address Mgr. Zwijsenstraat 4.

You don't have to register, you are welcome. We can work indoors and outdoors there, depending on the weather. Of course, it is also fun for your children. We will also provide a snack and a drink. Participation is **free**. Of course you take your selfmade product home and we hope that it will get a nice place in our neighborhood.

The insects and birds will thank you and you will take care of the all-important biodiversity in your own environment.

For this we are of course looking for some materials. Who has the following for us: soup cans large and small, pine cones, hollow twigs and bamboo sticks, reeds, wood shavings, straw, chicken/metal mesh, etc. We hope you will join the collection, that's all the anticipation!

You can bring your belongings to local resident Peter Rosier, Dr. Ariënsstraat 32. If you want to be sure that he is home, please call or email him: phone: 06-39139419, e-mail: peterrosier@live.nl

Autumn market at De Biezenrijt

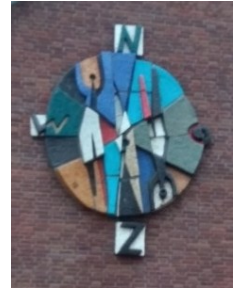
At the Biezenrijt at Dr. Schaepmanstraat 52 you are welcome on **September 27** for their cozy annual autumn market.

The participants of the Biezenrijt will then sell their self-made art objects.



Evening walk on September 10

As part of our Door & Voor evenings, we are organizing another walk through our neighborhood. This time it is a route along various **works of art in our neighborhood**. We start at artwork Het Kompas at Barentszstraat 5-B. You will receive extensive information about each object. We leave at **7:30 pm** and walk \pm 2.5 km (approximately 1 hour) and end with a free cup of coffee/tea in the new Market Pavilion on the Markt.



Who is Daniëlle van Rens

Hello everyone, I would like to introduce myself to you. My name is Daniëlle van Rens and I have been working as a neighborhood networker for the neighborhoods of Kerkakkers, Dommelen, Geenhoven and in Centrum since May. I live in Valkenswaard with my husband Joost and two sons Teun and Gijs (20 and 17). In addition to my work



in the neighborhoods, I am active around the carnival, kwalleballen and the flowerparade where I participate in construction group Handen Ineen (for people with disabilities in the broadest sense of the word). I have been working as a district supporter for neighbor help in Dommelen and Geenhoven for several years, so I am no stranger to the field. As neighborhood networkers, we make connections between organizations, associations and residents in a neighborhood. We also support the district committees where necessary.

You can find me somewhere in one of the neighborhoods where I work. I would therefore like to talk to you and I am open to ideas and initiatives. You can reach me on 06-1830 2236 or e-mail

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We look forward to seeing you somewhere in or around the neighborhood!



Voor de nederlandse versie van deze nieuwsbrief zie onze website: www.wijkcommissiekerkakkers.nl

Voluntary Palliative Terminal Care

VPTZ has been active in Valkenswaard since 2024. VPTZ stands for Voluntary Palliative Terminal Care.



The trained volunteers of VPTZ can offer support, so that the loved ones can catch their breath for a while. Or being able to go to the hairdresser, do an errand or sleep. The volunteer offers a listening ear or is present where necessary. They

are aimed at making life just a little bit easier and that varies between good conversations, offering presence or playing a game together. Just what is needed or demanded.

VPTZ is a service with various options for deployment. This can be for an hour or a part of the day of 3 hours. Interested in working as a volunteer or for more information about a request for deployment? Please contact Patricia Kohlen on 06-5718 9466 or e-mail:

VPTZvalkenswaard@cordaadwelzijn.nl

Word of thanks after arson

We would like to thank all our neighbors for their shelter, help and support during the fire of our garage at our house on Le Sage ten Broekstraat. Thank God our neighbor girl woke up from the fire on June 9 on the night of the fire and was able to warn us all. It could all have been much worse, we try not to think about that.

Even now we experience a lot of aftercare, support, coffee hours and conversations with and from our neighbors.

Thank you all very much!!

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8 October: a trauma surgeon tells

local resident Dr. **William van Dijk** talks about his work as a trauma surgeon in the hospital. He specializes in the treatment of victims of traffic accidents, stab or gunshot wounds, serious falls or other acute traumas.

At 8:00 pm in De Horizon Amundsenstraat 5.

Admission is **FREE**, coffee and tea too.

Municipality app notifications renewed



Recently, our municipality also switched to the BuitenBeter app to be able to quickly and easily make a report if

you see something that is not right in the public space. This also means that the MijnGemeente app will disappear.

With BuitenBeter you can report all incidents in the public space. Think, for example, of a fallen tree, litter, or damage to a waste bin or playground equipment. Select a category, the location, add another photo from your gallery and send it to the municipality. The municipality will then immediately get to work to handle your report.

This app can also be used in many other municipalities to make a report there.

Participating is very easy:

1. Download the BuitenBeter App for free from the [Apple Store](#) or the [Google Play Store](#);
2. Open the app, take a photo, select a category and choose the location on the map;
3. Send your report;
4. Easily track the status of your report.

Of course, you can also report by telephone via the reception of the town hall.

Project Goede Buren

Every Saturday between 11 am and 1 pm,



vegetable garden association De Rijt offers surplus vegetables for FREE to the residents of our neighborhood. You can pick it up at the two gates of the gardens at Le Sage ten Broekstraat 80 and at Minister Aalbersestraat.

Halloween in the Kerkakkers district

Children go door to door to pick up candy.

Saturday October 25 is that time again, the Dr. Schaepmanstraat and its surroundings will be transformed into the scariest district of Valkenswaard for one evening.

That is why we would like to ask the residents of the Dr. Schaepmanstraat, who live on the field and its side streets, to decorate the garden spooky.



A party tent with scary decoration where children can get sweets is provided by the neighborhood committee at the parade construction site on the Dr. Schaepmanstraat. There is also free coffee/tea and lemonade. Everyone is welcome.

Of course, the Kerkakkers Kidz will also get back to work decorating the street. Last year, about 80 children came to the door, so we would like to ask you to take into account this number of children who come to the door for candy.

Tip: small bags of candy, lollipops and everything that is pre-packaged would be the best for hygiene.

Saturday evening October 25.

This evening between **18:00 and 21:00** we want to give all children (up to 12 years old) the opportunity to go door to door, at least if they dare! Greetings Kerkakkers Kidz

Neighborhood afternoon at Corso Kerkakkers



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come and have a look and participate?

Saturday 13 September there will be another free **Neighborhood Afternoon** at the tent of Flower Parade Buurtschap Kerkakkers on the Dr. Schaepmanstraat. From 2:30 to ±5:00 pm there is an extensive program for children and also for adults. Will you also

Excursion to horticultural company Gijsbers in the Kromstraat

Recently, we were introduced to the horticultural company of the Gijsbers family in the Kromstraat with 22 local residents. Owner Mariëlle showed our group around and she knew how to hold the attention of the audience. While viewing the asparagus sorting machine, she talked passionately about sustainable business operations.

Some examples:

Solar panels and batteries to store the green electricity. The heat released from the cold stores is fed into the shop floor. The water is also reused. The wrapping paper and labels that go on the crates and products are made of pure paper/cardboard, better for the recycling process.

In addition to asparagus, Gijsbers also grows beautiful hydrangeas in their greenhouse, which find their way to many countries via the auction. They also grow ilex on their land. That plant makes branches with red berries and they are offered for Christmas from the beginning of December. The branches of the Forsythias, which also grow on their land, are sold with yellow flowers for the Chinese New Year.

In addition to working sustainably, Gijsbers also treats their employees in a very social way. Everyone is welcome to come and work, they are all part-timers. They treat each other in a family way. They are mostly students of the Were Di, but also pensioners, or mothers who want to work during school hours, etc. We thank Mariëlle, Bert, Jan and Fien for their hospitality, it was very interesting, educational and fun!!

Biodiversity: Sowing now for 2026



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Late summer is still the right time to sow "biennials". These include yarrow, wallflower and hollyhock. The hollyhock does especially well against a south wall in façade gardens, for example.

On the internet you will find more varieties that are sown this year to flower next year.

Walk-in centre agenda



Walk-in center "In de inloop" Mgr. Zwijzenstraat 4.

Spend an hour discussing the weekend with neighbors **EVERY MONDAY morning** from 10:30 to 11:30 am, with a **free** cup of coffee or tea.

While enjoying a **free** cup of coffee or tea, we have a nice chat and/or play games or play cards. Will you join us?

EVERY WEDNESDAY MORNING from 10:00 to 12:00 am. On the third Wednesday of the month around 10:00 am there is a short presentation on an interesting topic.

On the **LAST FRIDAY** of the month there is a



Lunch for singles at noon. Good food together for **€ 5.00** per person, with singles from the neighborhood. Registration from the 15th until the Monday preceding at the latest, via an email to

bestuurslidkerkakkers@gmail.com

or by phone 06-4224 9471

Door & Voor evenings

Every **second Wednesday evening of the month**, a free lecture, excursion or workshop is organized "By & For" local residents, in community center De Horizon, Amundsenstraat 5. Start is 8:00 pm. Admission is **free**, as is coffee and tea.



Agenda Door & Voor avonden

- **Wednesday September 10, 8:00 pm**
Theme: **walk** along various works of art in our neighborhood, ending with coffee/tea in the new Market Pavilion on the Markt. Meet at the Barentszstraat (behind Van Oosten Bloemen).
- **Wednesday October 8, 8:00 pm**
Theme: Local resident Dr. William van Dijk talks about his work as a **trauma surgeon** in the hospital in Veldhoven, Weert and at the Ministry of Defence. Will you come and listen?
Admission is **free**, coffee and tea too.

September 21, Bloemencorso



Theme 2025: "From art"
The hamlets make a recognizable translation of a well-known painting or sculpture. Recognizable in the use of color, design language or subject.

Will you also come and help provide the thousands of flowers with a nail or pin them on the float? You are welcome.

Start parade **2:30 pm, FREE ENTRANCE.**

In this weekend there is also the presentation of the new cultural season of Theater De Hofnar.

More information: www.corsovalkenswaard.nl and www.hofnar.nl