

# **BLIXEM FLITSEN!**

**Blixembosch Carnival and  
Tonpraoters afternoon**

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Oliebollen campaign**

**Building the VTA  
together**

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# Foreword



## Report of the meeting of the Livability Team

On October 9th, I was able to attend the regular meeting of the Livability Team at

VTA Blixems to hear what was discussed. It was a very

interesting meeting, and I was

surprised by what was discussed.

In addition to several working groups, the municipality and municipal enforcement officers were also present. The topics of discussion ranged from what still needs to be done to address noise pollution from the A2 and Kennedylaan (apparently, the asphalt still needs to be adjusted, and the noise barrier that has been installed is not correct).

Police and municipal enforcement officers discussed recent incidents and explained measures to limit fireworks nuisance. Two new enforcement officers have been appointed to specifically address fireworks nuisance.

Their call is to report this in the Buiten Beter app if you experience nuisance from fireworks experiences.

Other activities were also discussed, such as cleaning the nest boxes, sweeping activities, the progress of the electricity network renewal, the next steps with VTA, the priority situation in Aanshot, and much more. In short, it was a very informative and enjoyable evening.

Frank Gommers

# Agenda



## December

12 Dec Blixemkids Christmas

Bingo

13 Dec Senior Dinner

Dec 14 GitHub Creative

Winter Market, at

the Overture

19 Dec Seniors

Christmas celebration

19 Dec Unveiling of artwork  
Overture

## Street sweeping

Fairytale forest and English quarter

17 Nov Even Numbers

Nov 18 Odd Numbers

Gemstones, Italian, French

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American neighborhood

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27 Nov Odd Numbers

# Deadlines

## December

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## February '26

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# From the editors

## Future of Blixems community center

How do we turn the Blixems community center into a vibrant community center by and for our neighborhood?

The Blixems community center is currently managed by Lumens. The building is open five days a week, with occasional weekend openings.

The Lumens management has decided to stop managing community centers, and the municipality of Eindhoven has asked the neighborhood association if we would like to take over the management of our Blixems community center. As with other community centers, the municipality wants to transition to a management model that relies on more volunteers.

The neighborhood association board has therefore launched an investigation into the possibilities and obstacles of managing the community center. We have decided that the neighborhood association will not take over management itself, but that we are willing to cooperate.

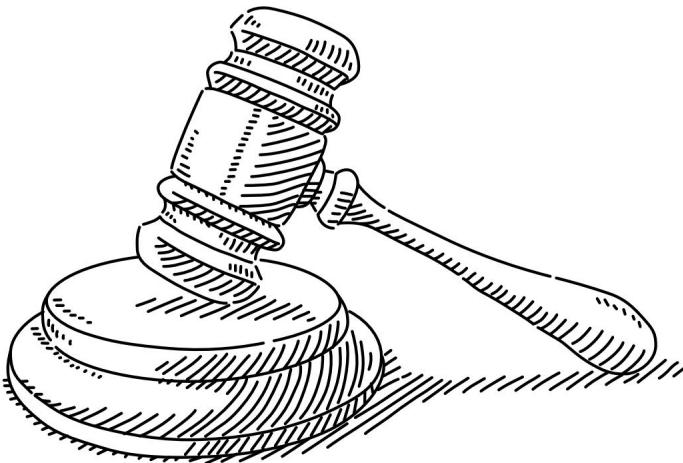
the formation of a separate foundation with a volunteer board that will do this.

During the information and brainstorming session on Tuesday, March 18th, it was decided to establish a think tank to develop future management. A master plan was developed outlining the activities needed to make the community center financially independent in the long term. The municipality approved this plan.

A working group has also been formed that will manage the foundation to be established and will develop the plans. This will be discussed further in a separate article.

We wish the new board every success in developing and managing our community centre.

The board



English text

# Blixembosch Carnival



When this lightning bolt lands on your mat, it will already be 11-11 and the carnival season will officially be open.

Eindhoven will be back to its usual Lampegat vibe, and even in the Klokgebouw, hundreds of city dwellers will soon be going wild for the Handjes Handjes Bloeme-tjesfestival (Hands, Hands, and Flowers). Carnival will be more vibrant than ever.

Here too, in our beautiful Blixembosch, our cozy carnival club has already started in full swing with the 2026 Family Carnival.

For years, the Family Carnival has been something special in our neighborhood. It doesn't matter where you come from or what your background is, Family Carnival Blixembosch is for everyone. That's actually one of the cornerstones of the original carnival celebration. That's what makes it so much fun for the organizing team to work even harder every year to make it a fantastic party. And not just for us! The city prince(ss) also goes out of their way every year to attend our carnival celebration. And so far, they've succeeded every year. Will they be able to do the same next year?



Our goal is to make our Family Carnival

accessible to everyone. Of

course, we have the best carnival music from, among others, the

Stadshofkapel de Een-dracht, interspersed with some fun carnival hits that I've been fortunate enough to play in recent years. We have a fantastic clown who not only makes the children laugh but also fascinates them with his magic tricks. We have a craft corner with fun activity books for children who want to escape the hustle and bustle. And we have some air hockey and game tables for the older children.

And for the older kids? Singh and his team make sure everyone has plenty of room to sing along or just catch up with that neighbor you haven't seen in a while.

I recently DJed at a wedding. The couple had met years ago through carnival music, so naturally, a bit of carnival music was a must during the evening. It's wonderful to be able to DJ and bring the house down in November with some authentic carnival tunes. That's why I'm so excited to be doing the same thing at the community center in a few months.

I'm already looking forward to it! You too?

On behalf of the Carnival Committee: Twan Vennix



# Tonpraoters afternoon



## Tonpraotersmiddag in Wijkcentrum Blixems

Put it in your diary, because on  
Sunday 1 February 2026,  
Wijkcentrum Blixems will be full of  
laughter again during the  
Tonpraotersmiddag, organised by Stichting De Vergulde Lampekap.

An afternoon full of humor, recognizable  
stories and stomach-ache from laughing with  
the best tonpraoters of Brabant.

Six artists are ready to take the audience  
along with them in their hilarious characters  
and sketches.

### This year the barrel contains

Berry Knapen – a master storyteller with a  
sharp sense of humor and 12 times (!)  
Southern Netherlands champion

Joep de Wildt as The Criminal, Watch Out!  
and winner of the 2023 Gilded Lampshade  
Award.



Rob Bouwman as The  
urgent Cliniclown.  
Laughter is the best  
medicine. It's been at the  
top of Brabant's list for years.

De Vergulde Lampekap Infuus, a  
guaranteed dose of humor. The only  
female tonprater and a finalist in numerous  
competitions in recent years.

Rien van Genugten as Sjoppie from the  
Slumming, vulgar, snarky, and hilarious. This  
year's winner of the Southern Netherlands  
Championships.

Dirk Kouwenberg as Car Mechanic  
Toppie, he's up for anything. He's won 33  
prizes at various tournaments in recent years.

And if that's not enough... there's also a  
surprise act you absolutely won't want to  
miss! Come enjoy an afternoon full of fun,  
Brabant humor, and a wonderful atmosphere.  
Laughter guaranteed – make sure you're  
there!

Date: Sunday, February 1, 2026

Location: Blixems Community Center,  
Overture 2 in Eindhoven

Start: 1:00 PM

Ticket sales have already started!

Buy your ticket via  
[www.deverguldelampekap.nl](http://www.deverguldelampekap.nl).

Be quick, because full = full!

## Leaf baskets in the neighborhood

Thirteen leaf bins will be placed in Blixembosch at the end of October and collected by December 24th. We ask the residents living around these bins to cooperate in depositing their leaves in them. Only leaves, no other garden waste. So, no branches either! Otherwise, the municipality will remove the leaf bins! The municipality wants to reuse the leaves from the bins: they will be shredded and then returned to the neighborhood. To protect plants and feed insects, it's important that nothing but leaves end up in the leaf bins.

The contractors drive past all the bins weekly. When a bin is full, it is emptied. If the municipality receives a notification of a full leaf bin (for example, via the BuitenBeter app), the bin can be emptied an additional time. When the bin is full, you can place your leaf waste next to it.

Thank you very much for your cooperation. Together we work towards a clean neighborhood!

Tine, Annie, Ineke (Play Working Group, Green and Environment)



# Look to the side so the broom can reach it

It's autumn again. The leaves are falling from the trees and are in the gutters. Soon, they'll be swept up. You can help too. Many parked cars make it difficult to sweep the streets properly. We need your help.

The municipality has your neighborhood swept in two sections at least twice a year (once in the spring and once in the fall). One day, the side with the even house numbers, and the next day, the side with the odd house numbers. We ask that you do not park your car between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM.

the street side that is due on that day.  
By means of signs along the access roads  
to your neighborhood



you can see when your part of the district is up.

## **The following dates will be swept:**

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The contractors work all year round to keep our neighborhood nice and tidy.

So, it's not just during the full sweeps that neighborhoods are being swept! At [www.blixembosch.com](http://www.blixembosch.com), under the "Play,

Green, and Environment" workgroup, you'll find maps showing the routes of the various neighborhoods.

Our sincere thanks to the volunteers who place the announcement boards.

Annie and Tine

Working Group Play, Green and Environment



# Oliebollen campaign from Heart for Blixembosch

We, the Hart voor Blixem-bosch working group, would like to bring our annual oliebollen (Dutch doughnut) campaign to your attention again. This campaign will begin in December at the oliebollen stand on the Ouverture. Receipts are available at the Albert Heijn checkout. If you present a receipt, you'll receive one free oliebol at the stand, and €1 will be donated to "Hart voor Blixembosch." Please bring one receipt each time so everyone has a chance to win a free oliebol.

## Will you become our friend?

Our work group is looking for friends to support us financially. Your contribution will help us continue our project: a "heart-safe" Blixembosch. If you become our friend and advertise in Blixemflitsen, we'll indicate that you're our friend with our logo on your ad.

How do you become our friend? By donating! You can transfer your donation to account number NL12 INGB 0002 7970 90, payable to the Blixembosch neighborhood association, with the reference "Friend of Hart voor Blixembosch."



# Robin Facts

Almost everyone loves robins.

They're beautiful with their orange-red chests and adorable. A little friend that brightens up the day.



Robins attack anything red  
They do this to survive. Robins desperately need their territory to find enough insects. Therefore, they will fight and chase away other robins. It's the robin in particular that provokes aggression. It may attack red toys in its garden.

## Young robins are brown

Because of their aversion to red, young robins are brown. This way, they won't be attacked by their parents. Both the male and female have their own territories, so they never want to be near another robin.

The first time a female shows herself in a male's territory, he often attacks her, until he sees what a beautiful lady she is.

## Always singing!

Robins always sing: males and females, summer and winter, day and late into the evening. In good and bad weather. This also has to do with their territory, which they absolutely cannot live without. They sing to claim and defend it.

## Robin taps on the window

The old nursery rhyme is true: "Little Red Breast taps on the window, tap, tap, tap..." They're not doing it because they want to come in or because they're hungry. But because they see their reflection in the window and don't realize it's them

## The winter

Not every robin stays in the Netherlands for the winter. They have to choose between a long journey to the warm south with many more insects, or staying in the Netherlands, suffering the cold and hunger, but being the first to snag the best territory. At least, if it survives the winter. So, mild winters are a blessing for robins.

## Always a different robin

Having a robin in your garden summer and winter doesn't necessarily mean it's the same one. If "yours" decides to move away, its habitat will soon be occupied by another. But it's still a little friend that brightens up the day.

Source: Bird Protection Netherlands

Working Group Play Green and Environment

# Senior Dinner

This evening is dedicated to Christmas.

## **Starter:**

Chicken cocktail

## **Intermediate course:**

Clear oxtail soup

## **Main course:**

Beef roll with Madeira sauce

Pommes Duchess

Brussels sprouts with bacon and stewed pears

## **Dessert:**

ice surprise

Doors open at 4:30 PM.

We'll start at 5:00 PM.

Maximum 70 people, so it's first come, first served.

Please register at the VTA building bar. A

€12.50 contribution must be paid upon registration.

Merry Christmas

The cooking team



## Business activity in the neighborhood

More energy, less stress and smooth movement with Qigong in Blixems! Want to exercise in a gentle way and improve your health at the same time? Our neighborhood offers Qigong classes specifically designed for seniors, people with disabilities, and anyone who finds exercise difficult or finds the gym a step too far.

Qigong originates from Chinese medicine and has been used for thousands of years to keep people healthy, flexible, and relaxed. These are simple exercises that you can do standing or sitting, so everyone can participate, regardless of their fitness level or any ailments.

What are the benefits of Qigong?

- **Physical benefits:** You get more energy, your muscles and joints become more flexible and your balance improves. It can help with back and neck pain, stiffness, balance, and even recovery from illness or surgery.
- **Psychological benefits:** The gentle movements and breathing give you more relaxation and focus, your head becomes calmer, and you experience less stress and tension.
- **Emotional benefits:** Qigong often makes you feel happier, helps you cope with daily challenges more easily, and helps you sleep better.



Qigong is preventative – meaning it helps prevent you from developing symptoms. Regular practice maintains your health and can reduce symptoms before they become serious. It's accessible, fun, and you always move at your own pace.

Why me?

I'm Dr. Nicole, a former general practitioner with over 20 years of experience in conventional Western medicine and Traditional Chinese Medicine. I have extensive experience adapting exercises to the abilities and ailments of participants. Everyone can participate safely – the class will be tailored to your needs. So you don't need any experience or special clothing.

Classes take place every Thursday evening in Blixems from 7-8 pm. You can participate for a voluntary contribution of approximately 10 euros per class. Can't afford to miss it? You're still very welcome!

More information and registration via the contact form at:

[www.dokternicole.nl](http://www.dokternicole.nl)



# Wind in the sails

## Support Lotte from Blixembosch

An ocean full of adventure, personal growth, and unforgettable experiences: that's what awaits students on the Masterskip sailing voyage. In April 2026, the ship will depart from Cuba, sail for seven weeks through enchanting Bermuda and the rugged

Azores, and conclude in Harlingen. On board, participants will learn to navigate, collaborate, and discover themselves—a floating school on the high seas.

One of those adventurous young people is Lotte Helsloot (15) from Blixembosch. She is in the fourth year of pre-university education (VWO), can often be found on the hockey field and enjoys meeting up with friends. Now she is on the eve of her biggest adventure yet: sailing on Masterskip's voyage GL5!

To make her dream come true, Lotte is working tirelessly to raise money. She works as a shelf stacker, babysits in the neighborhood, and sells things like oliebollen (Dutch doughnuts) this New Year's Eve. She also collects deposit bottles in Eindhoven-Noord — every contribution counts! Local businesses and



donors can help her seize this unique opportunity.

Your support makes a difference. As a sponsor or donor, you contribute to education, sustainability, and the development of young people in our neighborhood. In addition, you will gain visibility in the Masterskip network, social media and in the stories that Lotte will share after her trip.

Want to help Lotte discover the world? You can sponsor or donate via the link on her page! Be sure to check out her fundraising page and join this inspiring journey: <https://masteracties.masterskip.com/>

[masteractions/lotte-helsloot/](https://masteractions/lotte-helsloot/).

Together we bring the horizon closer!



# In expat shoes

It will come as no surprise that we have quite a few expats living in our neighborhood. A number of these Expats have united in GetHub, a club that organizes events to bring expats and Dutch people together.

And that is why we would like to give them the opportunity to introduce themselves

in this new section: In expat shoes.

The original English version can be found on the website. Use the QR code on the cover.



## From wanderlust to belonging

Who would have thought that trading familiar skies for distant horizons would be the best decision ever?!

Eighteen years ago, I, Anca Benjinaru, embarked on a journey that took me from Italy's fashion capital (hello, Milan!) to the sun-drenched shores of Australia (where the kangaroos are always laughing). But I had no idea the Netherlands would be the real game-changer—soft, golden light, the gentle whisper of Dutch windmills, and a frame that was finally mine!

In Milan, I honed my skills under the guidance of the fantastic Alfredo Sabatini, capturing the essence of la dolce vita (because who doesn't love gelato?). Australia's vibrant landscapes and daring spirit compelled me to experiment with underwater photography.



photography and wedding reportages that left critics speechless (okay, maybe not speechless, but they did take a lot of pictures).

But Eindhoven, with its soft light and tranquil canals, was my most profound experience yet—and not just because I finally figured out how to use my camera's soft focus function! Learning Dutch was a puzzle, but each piece solved brought me closer to the locals and their warm hospitality. Hallo, stampot!

I've discovered a sense of connection in this unique, beautiful country—where time stands still and the beauty of life reveals itself in everyday moments, like watching the tulips grow. In the Netherlands, I found my lens, my voice, and my home. The soft light has illuminated more than just my photos—it has illuminated my life!

And for the first time, I'm not looking for the next horizon; I'm happy to stay here, in this beautiful, enchanting land, where the windmills whisper secrets and the canals reflect the beauty from within, and also how lucky I am to be here.

Anca Benjinaru



# Rating

Our club's youth players are making themselves heard. Sascha Kurt became Dutch champion this year in the under-16 category. This earned him the right to participate in the World Championship, which was held in Albania this October. Sascha is very driven, and with the help of Herman Grooten (a well-known coach and chess author), he has developed into a versatile and strong chess player with a rating above 2300. He achieved this impressive rating in the Dutch open tournament circuit. Participating in the World Championship, however, is a different story. Based on his rating, Sascha was ranked 27th on the starting list, but most youth players came from countries with a chess culture nowhere near as developed as the Netherlands. Therefore, the ratings of many youth players are unreliable and (much) too low. They simply don't have enough opportunities to earn rating points in tournaments with rated players. This exposes a weakness of the rating system: it is only effective if all participants have equal, free access to tournament play. A good example of this are chess players from the Indian subcontinent, who, thanks to the popular Viswanathan Anand (former world champion), developed without having sufficient opportunities to measure themselves against the rest of the world. The result is well known: the spectacular rise of the 19-year-old Gukesh, who won the senior world title. Back to Sascha, he played an excellent tournament in Albania.

and finished 43rd in a field of 143 junior chess players. It's fantastic that our club has produced such a talented player on a global scale! It also demonstrates how relative a chess rating is. Besides ambition, enjoyment of chess and participation in competitions remain the most important.

## Chess puzzle

The solution to the assignment from the October edition of Blixemflitsen is: 1. Qg7+!!, Kxg7 2. Nf5+(double check), Kg8 3. Nh6! checkmate  
The new task is again shown in the diagram: White gives checkmate in three moves:

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8MmMmjmmMm8  
7mJmMmMag7  
6gmMdMmMm6  
5fhmMagmM5  
4MmMmMmMm4  
3mMDHFMAM3  
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# Artwork at the Overtureplein

A few months ago, residents of Blixembosch were able to use, among other things, Lightning Flashes! Vote for two artworks. One of these designs will ultimately be placed on the wooden wall panel at La Scala on Overtureplein. Blixembosch has chosen! This winning design will soon adorn the wall on Overtureplein.

## Execution

The mural will be created by artist Jasper Briks. He will collaborate with maintenance company Knaapen to ensure a beautiful final result on the wooden wall panel.

The creative young people of JC Blixems and residents of La Scala will support Jasper in applying the

Painting. At the end of November, the Knaapen company will first carry out maintenance on the large wall at La Scala, after which artist Jasper Briks will begin work on the painting.

The execution depends on the weather; in bad weather the schedule may be postponed slightly.

Before this project there will be a workshop:

## Workshop: Stencil Graffiti

November 27, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM at the Overture Square.

You can register with: Ilonka van Schaik  
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Blixembosch residents – young and old – are warmly invited to participate in this creative workshop. We'll be working with spray paint alongside artist Jasper Briks.

We always keep the beautiful goal in mind: a unifying work of art for Blixembosch!

## Save the date

On December 19th we will have an official unveiling of the artwork!

Time: 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Location: Overtureplein

You are cordially invited to enjoy live music, snacks, and drinks, courtesy of our sponsors.



## Cooperation

This collaborative project would not have been possible without the efforts of various parties. We thank the various organizations for their involvement and contributions: Trudo, Postcode Loterij Neighborhood Fund, La Scala Owners' Association, CKE, Dynamo Youth Work, the Municipality of Eindhoven, Oranjefonds, Knaapen, Heeneman, shopkeepers' association

Ouvertureplein and the neighborhood association Blixembosch and Wooninc.

We're hoping for good weather and are looking forward to a colorful result on the Ouvertureplein!

Ilonka van Schaik

## Building together

### VTA Blixems – Building the heart of Blixembosch together

VTA Blixems has long been a place for meetings, sports, gatherings, parties such as Carnival, King's Day and Sinterklaas, and many more activities.

However, its potential as a true community centre for the residents of Blixembosch remains largely untapped.

You may have already heard that the contract with the service provider that manages VTA Blixems expires at the end of 2025.

To secure the future of VTA Blixems, a group of volunteers from our neighborhood has been formed to take over its management. Together with the municipality, they are developing a plan to transform VTA Blixems into a community center that meets the needs of the neighborhood.

The mission is to transform VTA Blixems into a warm and welcoming place – a space where all residents can meet, connect and feel at home.

What can already be said with certainty is that our VTA will remain open for all activities after January 1, 2026, as you are used to. The ideas of this group of volunteers are currently being developed in collaboration with the municipality. Then, together with as many Blixembosch residents as possible, they can transform the VTA into a vibrant heart of our beautiful neighborhood.

If you have any suggestions for activities, workshops, or other activities that could take place in the new VTA, please don't hesitate to share them and discuss them with our working group. You can reach the working group at [vtablixembosch@gmail.com](mailto:vtablixembosch@gmail.com)

If there are any new developments, you will of course be informed.

VTA Working Group

# Blixemkids Christmas Bingo

You can register again for the one and only Blixemkids Christmas Bingo.

When: Friday, December 12

Where: VTA

What time: from 7pm to 9pm

For whom: children aged 4 – 12 years, with the rest of their family (or grandparents, etc.)

Costs: €3.50 for members of the neighborhood association and €5.00 for non-members

And as every year, there's always a prize for every child. You can register until Friday, November 25th. We have room for 80 people, so it's full! You can register by sending a message to [blixemkids@blixembosch.com](mailto:blixemkids@blixembosch.com).



# The angel in our choir?

Autumn has arrived, evenings are falling early, we're turning on the heater and staying inside. Cozy evenings, playing a game together or watching TV. Fun, sure, but you really should exercise a bit more...

You can: with The Southern Comfort Barber Mates. And we'll sing along with joy! We're a male choir that performs beautiful songs a cappella (without accompaniment) and four-part harmonies. We cover Abba, Cliff, The Beatles, The Mamas and The Papas, Neil Diamond, Rob de Nijs, as well as original barbershop music. And, of course, at this time of year, Christmas songs like "O Holy Night," "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas," and "Silent Night." We sing mostly in English, but we also perform some Dutch songs.

At the beginning of each rehearsal, we first loosen the muscles of your abdomen, chest, throat, and jaw, making singing easier. The choir is led by Hanneke Reijerse, a certified conductor with a proven track record. We are looking for reinforcements in all voice types, from high to low, but we are especially in need of high tenors.

We're inviting all men who love to sing to come to our Wednesday evening rehearsal and perhaps join our choir as an angel. Movement and singing go together beautifully and are wonderfully relaxing.

Once again: all voices are welcome, and we hope to see you at rehearsal! The Southern Comfort Barber Mates rehearse every Wednesday evening (excluding school holidays) from 8:00 PM to 10:30 PM at ATB Baren Coortste 2, 5629 PV Eindhoven.

For more information, call or email our contact person Hans Bik: 06 51 17 71 33  
[hansbik@hotmail.com](mailto:hansbik@hotmail.com)





# It happens in the neighborhood

## New well-known Blixemboschers

Suddenly, there he was, "the man in the hat," Emre, and his cousin Serdar from the Hague-based company with the striking name "Volle Oog" (Full Eye). Residents of Blixembosch-West have surely seen the vans with this striking name parked in many streets. Yes, for over six months now, they've been driving all the way from The Hague to Blixembosch every day to reinforce the power grid there, commissioned by Hurkmans. They do this for us, because we have so many electric cars, cook with electric electricity, use many laptops, and have many other items in and around the house that need charging. Every day, they leave The Hague at 5:15 a.m. with the vans heading for Eindhoven. And they're back home no earlier than 7:00 p.m. Long days indeed.

'Volle Oog' is the business of a family of Turkish origin, and 'Volle Oog' is the translation of their Turkish surname and also has a beautiful meaning: it actually means 'gene-gen eye'. They enjoy working in Blixembosch: it's friendly and most residents are understanding. Parking can sometimes be a bit tricky, though.

they are working on a street.

During the hot weeks, they were often offered soft drinks and ice cream by residents and that was very much appreciated!

The end is in sight: Hurkmans expects to have completed this project before the end of the year.



# Discount on participation in Activities

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For various activities organized by the Blixem-bosch Seniors working group, you, as a participant, receive a discount on your contribution. The exact amount of this discount is always clearly stated with the activity in question. In most cases, this discount also applies to members of SeniorenBelang Woensel (SBW/KBO). It is important to note that this discount is personal.

If you are a member of the Blixembosch Neighborhood Association, the discount also applies to your family members. Please note

Please note that, effective January 1st, you will be required to show your SBW/KBO membership card or provide your membership number upon registration. The Blixembosch Neighborhood Association does not issue cards to its members: you can simply indicate your membership status upon registration. Please note: to prevent abuse, the working group is randomly checking memberships at the Blixembosch Neighborhood Association. This is due to indications that some seniors are improperly taking advantage of the discount.



## Senioren Blixembosch

## FULL=FULL!

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Effective November 1st, the Blixembosch Seniors working group will be operating on a first-come, first-served basis. This means that anyone who registers too late will unfortunately no longer be able to participate once the maximum number of participants has been reached.

This is especially true for popular activities such as the Wine Tasting, Surinamese Evening, Fun with Aunt Loes and Luc Vaesen, Cultural India Evening and the Seniors Day (Quiz). For each activity we prepare the following in advance:

The minimum and maximum number of required registrations are established. These numbers may vary per activity. Once the maximum number of participants is reached, you will automatically be placed on a waiting list. We certainly hope this doesn't happen often, but it's advisable to register early to avoid disappointment. You can register using the form in Blixemflitsen or simply by emailing

[werkgroepsenioren@blixembosch.com](mailto:werkgroepsenioren@blixembosch.com).

# Atmospheric start to the Christmas holidays



Start the holidays in a festive way with Christmas Music. On Friday morning, December 19th, you are warmly invited to the Blixems Community Center (VTA) to listen to and sing along to the most beautiful Christmas carols.

The nine-woman choir Bubbles and Trouble, along with pianist-arran Dan Loredan, are delighted to return after last year's success to perform Christmas carols with you.

In addition to the musical atmosphere, coffee, tea, delicious mulled wine, and snacks will be provided after the choir's performance. This makes for a complete and enjoyable morning program.

## Program

Doors open:  
10.45am We start at 11.00am

End: approximately 1:00 PM

Personal contribution: €2 (to be paid in cash on location)

## To register

Seniors living in Blixembosch can register. If you live outside Blixembosch, you can register if you are a member of Senioren-Belang Woensel/KBO. You can register until December 12th using the form below or by sending an email to [werkgroepsenioren@blixembosch.com](mailto:werkgroepsenioren@blixembosch.com).

Please include "MUSIC in a CHRISTMAS ATMOSPHERE," your name, number of attendees\*, phone number, postal code, and, if you are a member of SBW/KBO, your membership number. A maximum of 60 seniors can register. FULL = FULL. So sign up quickly.



Senioren Blixembosch



**Yes, I would like to register for Music in the Christmas Atmosphere on December 19th.**

Name: ..... Tel/mobile: ..... Postal Code: .....

I come with my own car and want ..... Take (number of) hikers with you.\* **YES / NO** ☐ ☐

Member of SWB/KBO\* **YES / NO** ☐ ☐ If applicable, your SBW membership number: .....

E-mail: ..... @ ..... Number of persons \*) .....

Please place the strip in the letterbox at Ouverture 178 (entrance next to Trekpleister) by December 12th.

\*) PLEASE NOTE: Please include the names, postal code, telephone number, email address and, if applicable, SBW/KBO membership number of ALL persons.

# Flashes!

## Santa at home

This year again, Sinterklaas and his helpers will find their way to our beautiful neighborhood. Would you like Sinterklaas and his helper to surprise your children with a visit?

Then take a quick look at our website [www.zes-entertainment.nl](http://www.zes-entertainment.nl) and book your home visit now for an unforgettable

Christmas evening on November 29th, 30th, or December 5th.

## Looking Ahead

### December Christmas Market

Christmas Market at Blixems! Exhibitors will have the chance to:

- host a small workshop
- showcase and sell their products
- participate in rotating mini-markets (6 markets in just a few hours!)

Participation is free of charge, but spots are very limited – only 6 are available!

Don't miss the opportunity to be part of this festive event.

## Walking buddy wanted – Achtse Barrier

A blind man (77) is looking for a walking companion. He walks with a cane, enjoys conversation and likes to stay fit.

Would you like to walk with us at a leisurely pace? Interested? Email:

[roossmolders@wijeindhoven.nl](mailto:roossmolders@wijeindhoven.nl)

## Viva o Sabor

We're your Brazilian shop right here in Blixembosch! From sweet treats to savory delights, every product is carefully selected for quality and authenticity — from Pão de Queijo to Paçoquinha and Farofa, everything you need to feel at home. Enjoy free local delivery, fast service, and all your favorite products from Brazil. CODE: FreeDelivery. Valid for orders above €20 in Blixembosch.

Visit our website: [vivaosabor.nl](http://vivaosabor.nl)

Follow us on Instagram: [vivaosabor.nl](https://www.instagram.com/vivaosabor.nl)  
Bringing Brazil closer to you

## Transport request – Blixembosch East

A loving family is looking for temporary transportation for their daughter (7) in a wheelchair.

Their loaner car needs to be returned, and they're waiting for a modified bus. Could you (for a fee) make your station wagon available for school trips? Email:

[roossmolders@wijeindhoven.nl](mailto:roossmolders@wijeindhoven.nl)

## Looking for a companion – Achtse Barrier

A kind man (92) is looking for company in the afternoon. He is nearly blind and loves coffee, music, clocks, and dogs. An hour together means a lot to him and is a relief for his wife.

Interested? Email:

[roossmolders@wijeindhoven.nl](mailto:roossmolders@wijeindhoven.nl)

## Where can you submit your Flitsje!?

Have you lost something, found something or

If you have something to give away, please email it to us to [redactie@blixemflitsen.nl](mailto:redactie@blixemflitsen.nl).

Commercial Flashes!, submit to

[advertising@blixemflitsen.nl](mailto:advertising@blixemflitsen.nl), are not free and subject to conditions

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Please! Write to Wijkvereniging  
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Eindhoven, or email

corinne@blixembosch.com. You can also  
transfer your membership fee (€10) to IBAN  
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## Have your details changed?

Would you please send an email to:  
[corinne@blixembosch.com](mailto:corinne@blixembosch.com).

You can also call our membership  
administration at 248 63 70. With your help,  
we can keep the membership administration  
of the Blixembosch Neighborhood Association  
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## NB!

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Make clear agreements!

Don't want to be a babysitter anymore? Let it go  
our knowledge.

