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SEASON 2009-2010 **BULLETIN No. 1 – September 2009**

Dear members,
Welcome to a new lecturing season with GNE Deventer! The Committee hopes your summer turned out as you would have wished!

In this Bulletin you will find our programme once again so you can enter the dates in your diary. We are confident this programme contains all the subjects which our members love to hear about!

This Bulletin is accompanied by a letter from our treasurer Paul Lössbroek with a request to pay your **membership fees** before our first meeting on 14 September! Please remember, you won't receive an "accept girokaart".

Also added is a questionnaire. The committee is curious to know what you think of our Bulletin. Please have a look, answer the questions and hand it in at our next meeting or send it to our secretary. Thank you for your time.

OUR FIRST MEETING AND AGM

On Monday, 14 September our Annual General Meeting will be held. On this occasion the Committee will inform you about the state of affairs in our branch. As the AGM always takes up some of our time and as a result, time is a little short for a speaker, we have decided to show a nature

documentary beforehand. This will take about 1 hour. After that we'll retreat to the bar area where you will be offered a drink and our AGM can start. If you would like to receive the Secretary's Report or the Treasurer's Report beforehand, please let us know. (Paul Lössbroek or Els Vorenkamp)

The Committee highly appreciates your presence!

**Date: Monday, 14 September
8 pm**
**Subject: 1. A Nature Documentary
2. Annual General Meeting**
**Venue: De Horst, Kerkstr. 5
Deventer**
Admission: members free

A WARM WELCOME

The committee would like to extend a warm welcome to four new members.

Mrs Mariet Wiecherink of Olst, Mrs AnneMarie Meijer of Deventer, Mrs Leonie van Erp of Deventer and Mr Marcel van Noordenne also of Deventer have recently

joined our branch. We hope that they will soon feel at home with us and will enjoy their memberships!

LOOKING BACK

On 11 May our last talk of the season was given by landscape gardener Janneke van der Brugge of Olst. With great enthusiasm Janneke talked about gardens in general, English plant names and famous gardens in Cornwall, in particular the Gardens of Heligan, South Cornwall. These Victorian gardens were neglected and completely overgrown until Tim Smit (who later initiated the famous Eden Project) took on the task of restoring them.

Together with an amazing number of guests (22!) we enjoyed this talk enormously. Owing to her traineeship at Wisley Gardens Janneke proved her fluency was well up to giving this talk in the English language!

END-OF-SEASON EVENT

On Saturday 6 June some 15 members and guests met in the ancient town centre of Doesburg for our end-of-season event.

After a get-together with coffee we first visited Het Mosterd Museum. After a witty demonstration of mustard making and having stocked up in the museum shop, it seemed only fitting to chose mustard soup to go with our lunch at Het Zesde Zintuig.

After this we proceeded on foot to Glasatelier Jevaba which proved a little difficult to find as all the streets looked alike. Bring a map next time? At Het Glasatelier we were instructed about the technique of making stained glass. Several lamps in Tiffany style were for sale but these proved to be of Chinese origin. For those having visited the exhibition on Tiffany at the Singer Museum at Laren, the difference was obvious.

After a demonstration of making glass beads, this agreeable afternoon came to an end.

PROGRAMME 2009-2010

This is what our programme will look like this year:

Monday, 14 September 2009

Annual General Meeting with Documentary

Monday 12 October – *John Sutton*

“Paint me Warts and All”

The Portraits of Oliver Cromwell

Wednesday, 18 Nov. - *Heather Woodward*

Rudyard Kipling and Bateman's

Wednesday, 9 December - Christmas Event

Peter Galinsky

Scottish Folk Music, lecture and performance

Tuesday 9 February 2010 - *Roy Skan*

The English language, emphasising its debt to Dutch

Please note the venue: De Lindeboom, Schalkhaar

Thursday, 11 March – *Louise West*

Living with Jane Austen's legacy at Chawton

Wednesday 14 april – *Jill Collinge*

Time Gentlemen, please – the origin of Pub Signs

Friday, 21 May – *Michael Daley*

Holkham Hall (Norfolk) and its inhabitants

FIRST DECADE READING GROUP

This summer we celebrated our tenth anniversary with an excellent afternoon tea at De Hoestinkhof. Over the past years we have read lots of good books and have enjoyed discussing them. It is a comforting thought there are still lots of books waiting to be read! Books we recently discussed were:

A Mercy by Toni Morrison.

This is a historical novel by the first black female literature professor in the USA and Nobel Prize Winner.

In the 1680s An Anglo-Dutch trader takes a small slave girl in payment for a debt. This novel reveals what lies beneath the surface of slavery. But it is also a disturbing story of a mother who casts off her daughter in order to save her. A good read, we thought!

Cat's Eye by Margaret Atwood

Elaine, a painter returns for an exhibition of her work to Toronto, the city she grew up in and is confronted with memories of cruelties and bullying in her childhood. Her memories of Cordelia, once her best friend and tormentor have haunted her for forty years. With its sound details of the 1950s and 60s this is a very evocative novel, we thought.

THE COMMITTEE