

5th Worldwide Somsen Reunion

You too can do your bit for it!

The preparation group is looking for interesting material for the reunion. We think of photos and / or films but also other hobby matters relating to our family. The aim is to show or exhibit this during the weekend. Of course, everybody will get his property back. You can sign up at Ben Somsen [438] via:

e-mail: ben.somsen@upcmail.nl

or via phone: 0031 75 6168523

Photos 4th Reunion in New-Ulm in 2012

FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

In this column we would like to draw your attention to the family announcements that have reached us. We are very much pleased to present them to you and are grateful to everybody who took the trouble to inform us about the merry and sad events in their and our family.

This also enables our advisor Dick Somsen from Zwolle to keep our genealogical files up-to-date, so that we, in turn, can inform you in Somsen Horizon.

We really appreciate it very much that you send in your family announcements (together with pictures please) to: somsengenealogie@kpnplanet.nl or Mr. D. Somsen, Monteverdilaan 175, 8031 DL Zwolle - Nederland.

Born:

29-11-2012: Layna Adele [7936], d.o. Ty Adrian-Lee (Ty) Edwards [3872] and Taryn Michel (Taryn) Coe [5562] 08-07-2016: Xavi Joaz [7935] s.o. Jasper Roald Somsen [1197] and Frederica Paulina Jochiena (Jolanda) Gouda [5982] 02-10-2016: Lize René [7947], d.o. Dennis Brummelkamp [1134] en Johanna Maria (Romy) Habraken [7946]



Layna Adele [7936]

Married:

22-11-2014: Layne Ronald Somsen [2639] and Katherine Christine Newhouse [7943], Yankton, SD. USA

Deceased:

copy before March 1, 2017.

Donations? Easily made at www.somsen.org!

27-05-2015: Raymond Frank Penzenstadler [7557], 72, Dunnellon, FL. USA 15-11-2015: Eleanore Minerva Behm (Ellie) [[2760], 92, Tucson, AZ. USA

15-05-2016: Raymond William Somsen [815], 69, Baldwin, WI. USA

03-09-2016: Anna Marie Behm-Stiller [7603], 98, Oshkosh, WI. USA

The new Somsen Horizon 31 appears in spring 2017. Please send in



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Join us for the reunion!





Dorpshuus IJzerlo 7-9 July 2017

PREFACE



Johan Somsen [1089]

This newsletter is dedicated to the preparations for the Worldwide Somsen Reunion which will be held on 8 and 9 July 2017. Extensive information can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

Our call to help Oscar with the organization was not in vain. There is a working group making preparations for the reunion and I am very happy about this. It is mainly the determination of Oscar that made this possible for which he deserves credit.

In the spring of 2017 there will be no Newsletter but instead we will publish Somsen Horizon 31 with more information about the reunion. Furthermore we intend to publish Somsen Horizon 32 after the reunion with of course a lot of stories and photos about the reunion.

This is all still in the future but it is sure worthwhile to think about it because after the summer of 2017, so after the publication of Somsen Horizon 32, four of the six board members are going to take leave as was already announced last year. After 20 years these members who are in their seventies like to hand over their jobs to a younger generation. This means that two people, who are in their fifties, remain: Berto and Oscar. Although they are still young and strong they do need support. We need a bigger board because we must find a solution to continue our publications. Other activities include maintaining the website which is already being done by Oscar. Another tricky issue is keeping the genealogical files. All issues which we should think about if we appreciate the survival of the Somsen Foundation.

If people in the Somsen family stand up to help future generations can also stay informed about the ups and downs of our family. It is encouraging that Oscar has found people who are willing to help him with the reunion. Therefore I also express the hope that Somsens will sign up to guarantee the survival of the Somsen Foundation.

Johan Somsen [1089]

JOIN US FOR THE 5TH WORLD WIDE SOMSEN REUNION!



't Dorpshuus in IJzerlo

Finally, the plans are coming together! The 5th World Wide Somsen reunion will be held in the weekend of July 7-9, 2017.

After two reunions in the Netherlands (1997 and 2007) and two in the USA (Baldwin, 2002 and New Ulm, 2012) it is once again time to meet each other in the Achterhoek. Our meeting place is again in the hamlet of IJzerlo where our family originates from. This time in 't Dorpshuus, a nice community center with space for meeting and activities. The preparation committee is busy to organize a program that is fun and interesting for everybody.

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Please join us for this wonderful occasion!

The cost will be approximately € 25 per person for the Saturday program (including lunch and dinner) while the Sunday excursion is € 20 per person.

Help our preparation by registering soon. E-mail to <u>info@somsen.org</u> or contact us otherwise. Include name(s), age(s) and (when possible) [-] P-number(s). Also include e-mail address, address and phone number.



Preparation Group without Theo Somsen

PROGRAM:

IJzerlo, July 7-9, 2017

Friday, July 7

Informal Get Together

Saturday, July 8

- Registration, Coffee, Welcome
- Lunch with all Participants
- Afternoon activities such as:
- Traditional Dutch Games
- History Lectures and Film
- Walks and Wagon Rides
- Workshops and Music
- Visit to our Somsen Family Tree
- Family Diner
- Festive Evening Program



Photos 3rd Reunion 2007 in IJzerlo near Aalten

Sunday, July 9

Organized Excursions to one or more destinations in or around the Achterhoek

There is plenty of time to meet our Cousins from both sides of the Ocean!