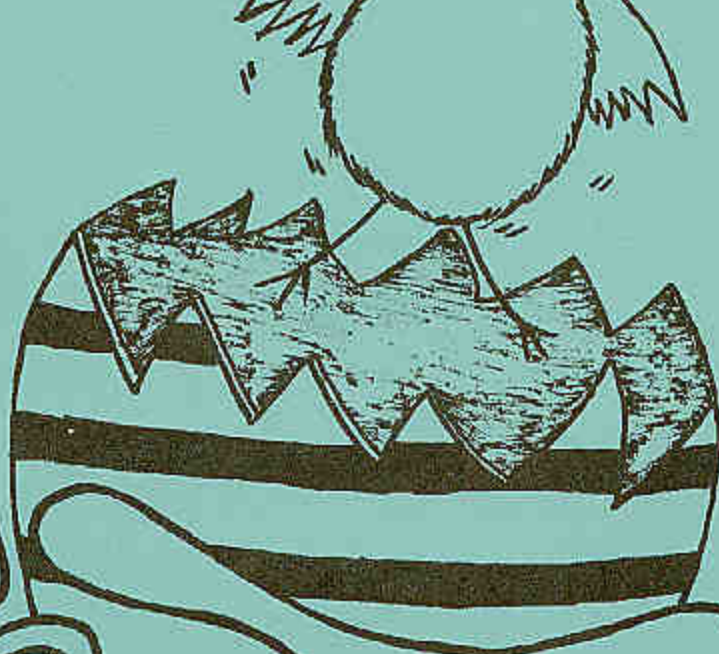


WCA NEWS



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FROM THE PRESS ROOM

Several new contributors swell this April issue. Cover artist is Jean Ann Yzer who has chosen the Easter theme. Her mother Isabella has at long last been persuaded to produce her most interesting account of home wine making, our Club Nominating Committee is in operation again, Winnie Wunnink has compiled interesting information on the Queen's Birthday. The Diabetics Association and Meals on Wheels give account of their doings.

The next issue will be this W.C.A.NEWS staff's last and we are already looking for people interested in working on it next year. Very few of the staff have had any prior experience so don't be shy in offering your name if you'd like to try - come along and see what we do to prepare for the May issue. Everyone is welcome. In the meantime, read on.....

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News from the top

I would like to thank Veronica Klaassen and her committee for organizing the "Hollandsche Koffietafel". My sincere thanks also goes to Mr. v.d. Poltz, K.L.M. representative on the Island, who cooperated in flying in fresh tulips and little give-aways from Holland.

It was decided that the tulips would be sold at Fls. 1.00 per tulip and that the proceeds, which amounted to Fls. 419.90 would be donated to an Aruban boy to enable him to further his studies.

During our General meeting a voting took place to approve spending Fls. 500.00 of the Limpi Fund for the trash cans project in Oranjestad. The material for the trash cans will be purchased by Mr. John Merryweather, and the bills will then be presented to us for payment.

At our General meeting in April questionnaires will be handed to all members. Therefore, we would like as many members as possible to attend this meeting, so that each of you can mention what kind of study groups and what kind of programs you want for the coming year.

Finally, I would like to mention that Iago donated 150 drums, which were sold at Fls. 2.00 each.

Wita Croes
Wita Croes.



Women's Club of Aruba
Aruba, N.A.

Nominating Committee Report

"An organization of women working and socializing together
for the betterment of themselves and the betterment
of their community".

ARUBA WOMEN'S CLUB

This is the time of year when we start looking for new club officers for 1976-1977 term. The Board has fourteen elective positions to be filled. This really doesn't seem like many when you consider our club has a membership of 270. However, the job of an elected officer is to choose and lead committee members in carrying out the various functions of our Club.

As Past President, it is my responsibility to present a slate of officers to be voted on by the membership at the May meeting. My committee consist of Atala Booi, Annemiek Kock, Quita Croes and Kit Livingston. We are presently soliciting potential officers for the club and would appreciate it if each and every one of you would contact us with any choices you may have. Please make sure that the person you recommend has given their approval to having their name put on the slate.

We need your recommendations no later than the April meeting. Please contact us soon.

Thank you.

Linda Pagenquist

Wine Making...

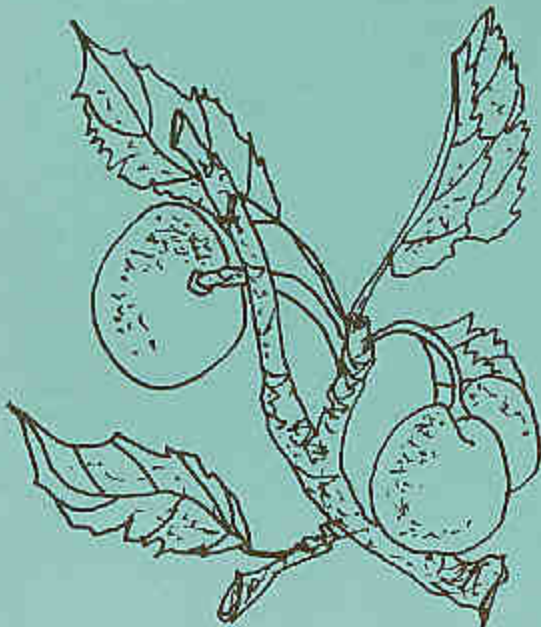
a fascinating hobby

Wines have probably been around since the Garden of Eden. We read of vineyards and wines throughout the Old Testament, and we all know the story about the first miracle Jesus performed -- changing the water into wine; and yes, he also used wine as a symbol of his blood at the Last Supper. So with all this in its favour, there must be some merit to wine ---- a very delightful drink. It seems to have been an old favourite down through the ages; but as with all good things in life, common sense and moderation must be exercised. Like food, it's good; but if taken in excess, not conducive to a healthy body.



Winemaking can be very basic, using articles that are available in the home, going about it in a very amateurish way, and still producing good wines. Or one can go into it, as deeply as one wishes to pursue it, purchasing the many available wine making supplies and gadgets on the market, making even better wines. In fact, these wines are just as good as any available. It is just a matter of how much one wants to get involved, and how much time one wants to put into it.

Most people think "Wines and Grapes"; it is in fact one of the best mediums, containing all the natural nutrients necessary for the yeast to thrive on; but it is amazing to know that many good wines can be made from many different kinds of fruits, berries, vegetables, flowers and plants, as long as these contain no poisonous substances.



The basic ingredients are fruits or whatever flavouring is used, yeast, sugar and water. This combination is called MUST. Yeast is essential, for that brings about the fermentation. Whether it is the commercial kind used for baking, or more refined wine yeast made especially for this purpose.

For a successful fermentation the yeast must have the ideal condition in which to work. It is interesting to note that water with sugar and yeast added to it will produce wine of a sort, but this will be a very weak wine, as the yeast has only the sugar on which to thrive, whereas fruits or other added flavour add more nutrients.

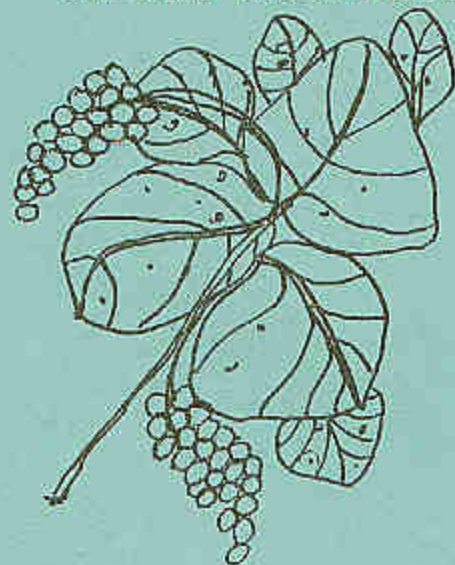
Yeast nutrients are also available on the market which can be added to the MUST. This ensures more activity for the yeast, thus producing a better wine.

This is the principle of wine making --- the yeast consuming the sugar and nutrients, multiplying; in the process, converting the sugar into alcohol. When the alcohol percentage reaches a certain level it inhibits further growth of the yeast killing them. Thus, wines can be higher or lower in alcohol percentage, depending on the resistancy of the type of yeast to the alcohol level. Hence the reason for the difference of the alcohol percentage in wines.

The fermentation progresses in two stages, the active stage which may last a few days to a few weeks, and the passive stage lasting 2, 3 or 4 months or longer. After these stages another 3 to 4 months should be allowed for the wine to clear and settle; some wines may take longer, during this period the necessary racking (straining) is done. On the average it takes about 10 to 12 months after the initial stage before the wine is ready for consumption. Patience? Yes!

During the fermentation stages a fermentation or air lock is used. This gadget keeps the air and dirt out of the MUST and allows for the escape of gases. A balloon pulled over the opening of the bottle and held in place by a rubber band can be used instead of the air lock.

Wine making demands cleanliness. All utensils should be well washed with soap and water and sterilized, using the boiling method, or a sterilizing solution. Failure to follow these rules can make the difference -- wine or vinegar. Avoid using utensils of brass, iron or copper for fermentation as these can impart unpleasant flavours to the finished wines. Glass and polythene plastic are the best.



Many of our local fruits can be used to make wines. Of the many I have tried, I especially like shimarucu and cashew, of course there can be endless variations by blending different kinds of fruits, or fruits and different things, making wine-making as individual as one may wish. There is a certain satisfaction in reaching for a glass of your own wine.

There are many booklets and books available on making wines, and anyone who is interested would do well to get a basic wine making booklet, which in addition to all the helpful information, contains many good recipes for wines.

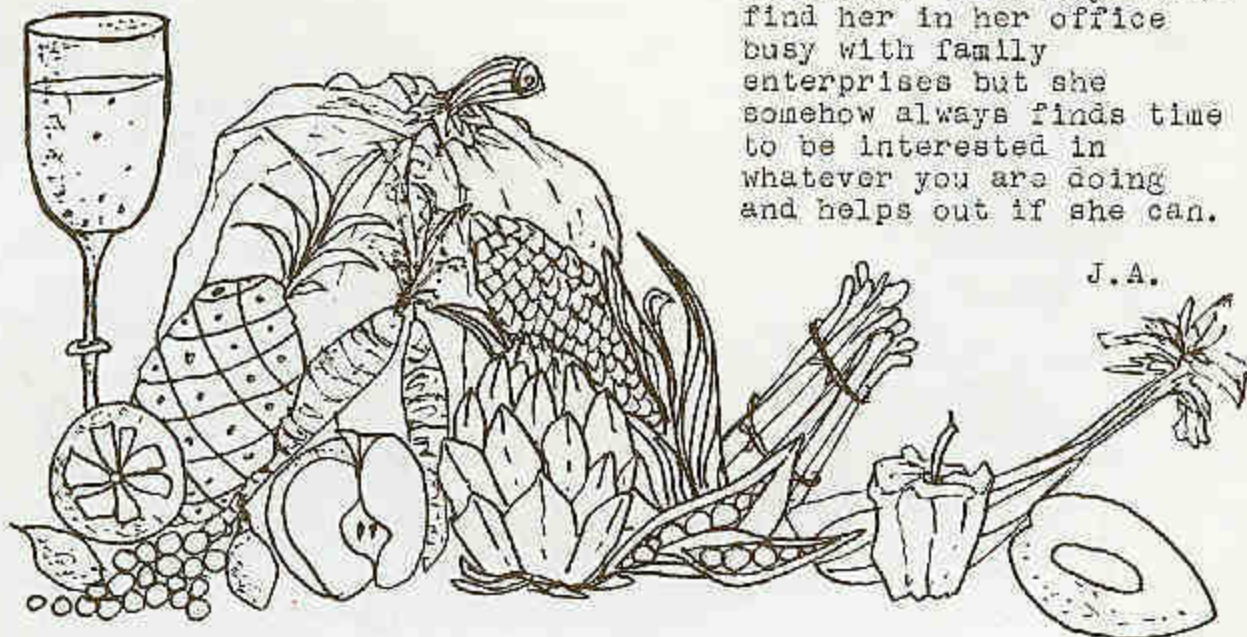
Recipe for:

SHIMARUCU WINE

5-6 lbs. shimarucu (ripe)
3½ lbs. sugar
¾ gallon boiling water
2 teaspoons yeast

Crush shimarucu with hands. Pour boiling water over. Cover and leave for 12 - 18 hours. Strain. Add sugar and yeast. Pour into gallon bottle. Ferment. Rack as necessary. This wine will be ready in about 12 months.

Isabel Yzer



J.A.

WOMAN IN THE NEWS

One of our most vivacious and attractive members, Ana Lourdes de Veer is well qualified to be included in this column. All the sparkle of her Puerto Riqueno background comes through in her smile and fun loving disposition. Married to Eduardo, she has lived on the Island twelve years and has been a member of Women's Club all that time. Constantly 'in the news' Ana Lourdes plunges into new projects without hesitation and still has time to play tennis, exercise and meditate. She has served on the Board as Program Chairman, Secretary and Vice President, has worked with various volunteer groups, at present with the mentally retarded. Most days will find her in her office busy with family enterprises but she somehow always finds time to be interested in whatever you are doing and helps out if she can.

APRIL * STUDY * GROUPS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14 - Second Wednesday of month 9:00 a.m.

DIVERSIFIED ARTS & CRAFTS

Surfside

Topic: "A Sewing Workshop" by Barbara Carroll & Marianne Tucker.

Barbara & Marianne will show you zipper applications, pattern alterations, fabric selection, and will try to help you with general sewing problems.



MONDAY, APRIL 19 - Third Monday night of month 7:30 p.m.

EVENING STUDY GROUP

Topic: "Sewing Workshop" by Barbara Carroll & Marianne Tucker. At the home of Marianne Tucker, LG Smith 14

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21 - Third Wednesday of month 9:00 a.m.

INTERNATIONAL GOURMET

Surfside

Topic: "Chinese Cooking" by Teresa Lee

You must call Marianne Tucker at 4725 if you plan to attend so food can be purchased by April 10.



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28 - Fourth Wednesday of month 9:00 a.m.

GARDENING

Topic: "Cactus" by Betty Ann Johnson

Meet at Betty Ann's home -
LG Smith 115, Malmok



(Next month is "Swap a Plant" in May at Surfside, so start growing your plant now.)

Marianne Tucker
Chairman

Try Something New

For various reasons members of our club agree to work on the W.C.A. News. Among these are the possibility of mental stimulation, the opportunity to learn, and a chance for creative fulfilment. In addition, it is a good way to be of service to the organization. After spending months on the job, we all agree that being involved has also given us a chance to work side by side with the kind of women who can brighten a day. Now we shall be thinking about next September and a new staff. Can you read or write or type or draw? This could be your time to reap the rewards of being with the News. Tell Joan Alexander or any other staff member if you want to try.

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LADIES DAY

MINIATURE GOLF TOURNAMENT



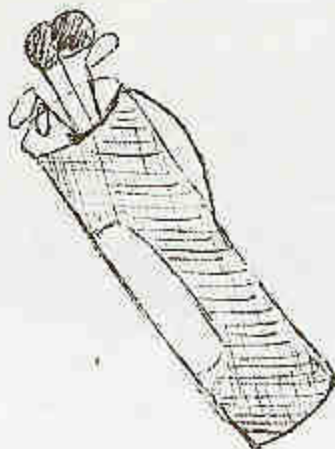
To be held at the Holiday Inn Miniature Golf Course

March 31st - 9:30 a.m. - Fts. 2.00

Trophies donated by the Holiday Inn Proceeds to the Limpi Committee.

BRING YOUR FRIENDS AND HAVE A MORNING FULL OF FUN

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WOMEN'S CLUB AND YEAR OF THE TOURIST

The following is a tentative list, that will be submitted to the Hotel Association, Mr. Ike Cohen, and to the Minister of Tourism, Mr. D. Gomez, showing them that we are prepared to work with them in this, the Year of Tourism.

As yet, we do not know what their specific needs are, but we do want them to know that as an active, concerned club we are prepared to help them.

Please call the individual Hotel Committee chairman if you would like your name added to the list.

Thank you.

Linda Fagerquist

HOLIDAY INN Maryann Lamonte-Chairman

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Rosemary van Dijk	Ann Connolly
Consuelo Meijne	Margrieta Roose
Liz Thuis	Johanna Majoer

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Norma Arends
Imelda de Cuba

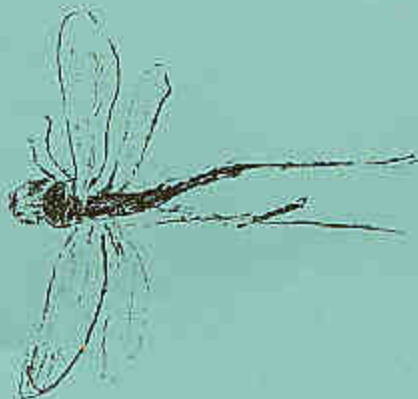
Rosemarie Diener
Edith Henriques

STRAND HOTEL

Maria Theresa Croes-Chairman

Aura Croes
Marilee Davies
Ans Frank

Laura Goley
Mildred Harms
Beverly Fredrickson



Keeping in Touch

MARILYN ROGERS

Marilyn came to Aruba about 1937 with her parents. She completed her education here. Soon afterwards she met Chet Rogers and they went to the United States to be married. After their honeymoon they returned to Aruba and subsequently reared their four children, Mike, Joyce, Phillip and Katie. Marilyn has been very active in Women's Club over the years. She has held positions as Member-at-Large, Corresponding Secretary, has assisted with various volunteer projects and the Women's Club Telephone Directory. Marilyn was also well known for her teaching in papier maché and gingham embroidery workshops. Besides all this, she was a Sunday School Teacher for many years and Sunday School Superintendent also serving on the Church Board and the Church Chronicle. Since Chet retired recently, Aruba is certainly missing a well-loved, energetic and many talented friend. Good luck in your new life, Marilyn. It is to be hoped that there is plenty of bridge, bowling and golf, the things you like to do most in your new location. Marilyn and Chet's temporary address is:

C. R. Rogers
245 45th Street
Redlands, California
92373

PHYLLIS YEAMANS

John's short (?) assignment at Coral Gables (two months that lasted for seven) is over and the Yeamans are back on the Island. Though they enjoyed their stay in Florida, they're happy to be home. We're happy too. Welcome back!

By the way, Phyllis, would you be able to help with...?

ANITA LEWIS

From Anita Lewis, Rolla, Missouri, we hear, "I look forward to W.C.A. NEWS every month...covers are beautiful...noticed reduction of errors...wish I were there to work on it...believe it was the most enjoyable job I undertook for Women's Club. Spent time with Claudia and Steve Sims at Christmas and New Years."

JANETTE MOSLEY

She "jumped up" in the Carnival parade and won the door prize at the March meeting. Janette Mosley from Baytown, Texas, a former W.C.A. board member, visited us for three weeks. We miss you, Janette.

STORK CLUB

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We've heard that Andrea Hein in Florida has had her baby.... Does anyone have the information for us??

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EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE HAS HANDED OUT THE QUESTIONNAIRES TO THE BUSINESSMEN DURING THE LAST FEW WEEKS. IN SPITE OF CARNIVAL TIME THE REPLIES ARE STEADILY COMING BACK, SO THAT VERY SOON WE CAN START COMPILING OUR DATA. FROM WHAT WE HAVE SEEN SO FAR, GOOD SECRETARIES AND BOOKKEEPERS ARE IN GREAT DEMAND, WHICH AGAIN STPESSES THE FACT THAT WE BADLY NEED A MEAO SCHOOL (SCHOOL FOR ECONOMICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE TRAINING AFTER MAVO).

THOUGH IT WAS MISTAKENLY AND CHEERFULLY MENTIONED IN OUR LAST REPORT, THAT WE HAD ABOUT 50 VOLUNTEERS, WE WISH WE HAD HAD THEM TO BRING ROUND THE QUESTIONNAIRES TO OUR 400 BUSINESSMEN. LINDA FAGERQUIST WAS A GREAT HELP WITH HER 20 LADIES, SO THAT WE HAD BETWEEN 20 AND 30 LADIES TO HAND THESE 400 OUT, THANK YOU VERY MUCH ! ALL OF YOU !!!

ANS VISSER
chairman

THE DIABETIC FOUNDATION OF ARUBA

A word of sincere thanks goes out to the Aruba Women's Club for honoring the Diabetic Foundation of Aruba with a space in your monthly bulletin. Your interest in our Foundation is a stimulation for us to continue our efforts on behalf of the diabetic patients on this island.

As you are well aware, the Diabetic Foundation of Aruba was founded on August 21, 1975 with the purpose of fulfilling a long needed service to the Aruban Community, viz. to foster the physical, mental, social and material well being of diabetics in Aruba, as well as to grant aid and support where needed.

A lot still remains to be done to improve the knowledge and care of the diabetic patient and also to help prevent others from becoming diabetic. Diabetes is a lifelong disease that requires, as any other disease, certain discipline and rules which the patient should follow to make his life as comfortable as possible. To comply with these rules "understanding" of the disease is a "must" to every diabetic patient. With this objective the Foundation endeavours to create the first Diabetic Clinic on the island where we will be able to keep diabetics fully informed and educate them on the need for and the methods of proper management of their disease; to increase the public understanding of this disease; to bring better understanding of the factors leading to complications of the disease; to educate the general public in the early recognition of the disease and the importance of medical supervision of its treatment.

To fund these vitally important programs the Foundation depends heavily on donations of generous men and women who understand this necessity. The Foundation already received some generous donations but it does not only require financing but the personal dedication and time of its members. Only with the joint efforts of the diabetics themselves, their families and the public in general will the Foundation reach its goal.

Already the Foundation is publishing a bi-monthly magazine "Revista pa Diabeticos" in Papiamentu which is distributed free of charge to the Aruban population and the purpose of which is to educate the public in general and the diabetics in particular regarding this disease. Also we have held and will continue holding contact meetings for diabetics and other interested persons. At these meetings talks are held and questions answered about Diabetes and its treatment. Plans for the Diabetic Clinic are progressing, and we hope to announce its opening in the near future. Affiliation to the Foundation is open to everyone and is completely free of charge.

In closing we appeal once more to all Diabetic patients who are not yet affiliated to the Foundation to do so as soon as possible.

Thank you,

Gisela Paris
President

EXOTIC NEW ADDRESS FOR TWO OF OUR MEMBERS:

QATAR - PERSIAN GULF

Coby Vrolijk

Quite out of the ordinary to say "Bon Bini" and "Ayo" at the same time, but that's how it is for Coby. Getting ready for her welcome we learned that she is leaving soon. Her husband, Arie, has already left, and Coby will follow as soon as the school year is finished. They have an eighteen year old son.

The Vrolijks are from Scheveningen, Holland, and have lived here for four years. Coby joined the Women's Club this year and is very sorry she must leave so soon.

Arie works for a Dutch Construction Company and the family has travelled to many places with the job, including Nigeria, Liberia, Iran, Colombia, Indonesia and New Guinea. The coming assignment takes them to Qatar in the Middle East. It does sound like a very interesting life. We wish Coby and her family all the best.

Norma Goeting

These are busy days for Norma Goeting. She, her husband and son are awaiting the arrival of a new baby this month, and they are also preparing for a move to Qatar on the Persian Gulf.

At the moment her husband, who works for Interbeton, is studying in Holland. Before going to Qatar the whole family will live in Holland while their house is being completed at the new job site.

Norma is asking for information from anyone who can tell her about life in Qatar. Phone her at 4435.



Mother's Corner

RECIPES

Can't get to the store or they're out of the materials you need ? Keep these recipes. They may come in handy one day !

Poster Paint :

1/2 cup powdered tempera
1 cup Ivory Snow

Add water slowly until paint is easy flowing but not too runny.

Paste:

1/3 cup flour
1/4 cup water
oil of wintergreen or oil of peppermint

Mix together flour with water. Boil over low heat for five minutes, stirring constantly. Cool. Add water to thin if necessary, then add a few drops of one of the oils to give a pleasant odor and prevent spoiling.

Whiz-Bang Finger paint :

Try this when you're in a hurry !
3 parts water
1 part wallpaper paste flour
color

Stir flour into water, add coloring. Some children enjoy the different texture when 1-1/2 cups salt are added to the recipe.

Play Dough :

1 cup salt
1 cup flour
1/2 to 1 cup water
food coloring

Mix together well. Keep in a tightly covered jar,
or wrap in waxed paper and put in refrigerator.

Modeling Dough :

1 cup salt
1/2 cup corn starch
2/3 cup water

Mix together and cook over low heat until mixture
thickens into a doughy mass. Remove from heat and
cool until able to handle. If color is desired,
separate and knead in vegetable coloring or
powdered paint. Shape into a ball, wrap in waxed
paper, and store in covered jar in the refrigerator.

♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ HANDY HINTS ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦

When mincing meat or vegetables, etc., place a clean
plastic bag over the outlet to catch the food and avoid
spillage.

To quickly remove the tarnish between fork prongs, dip a
pipe cleaner in silver polish and rub this up and down
the prongs. Wash the forks in soapy water, rinse, and
dry.

To discourage flies from settling on windows and sills,
regularly rub the surfaces with a duster sprinkled with
a few drops of oil of lavender.

If you wind a thick rubber band around each end of a coat
hanger, your skirts and blouses won't slip off.

bon bini

Rosemarie Diener

Rosemarie and Rudi Diener have come to Aruba from New Jersey. Rosemarie was reared in New York and studied psychology and sociology at Queens College. She has worked in retailing as a dress buyer for J.C. Penny Co. in New York. Although she has only been here a short time, she is social chairman for the Esso Tennis Club, attends a book review group in Seroc Colorado and is an avid bridge player. She enjoyed making crafts for our Christmas bazaar and thinks Aruba is a great place to live. Also living with the Dieners in Seroc Colorado is their beloved dog, Missy. You will get a warm welcome from all 3 at Bungalow 310.

Consuelo Meijne

I much prefer living in Aruba than in Holland, says Consuelo who was born in Bogota, Colombia, where she met her Dutch husband, Guus. After the wedding they lived for 1½ years in Holland. The Meijne's came here when Guus started working for WULFSAN & WILPHEM, and are now enjoying our beautiful Aruban climate for over 2 years. They would most certainly like to spend some more years in Aruba. Consuelo divides her time between her garden and all kinds of handi-crafts, and she loves reading and swimming. Consuelo's telephone is 2384.

Candy Viana

While Candy was born in Troy, New York, she lived in Aruba from the time she was three months old until she graduated from the 9th Grade of Seroc Colorado School. One summer Candy and Moira Whitney operated a very happy nursery school for colony children. Candy graduated from the University of New Mexico last December with a Bachelor of University Studies degree. This is a curriculum for students who want to take only those subjects that they are particularly interested in, rather than a slate of required courses. Candy emphasized business administration and economics. Now she wants to learn Papiamentu and Dutch, and would once again like to be involved in ballet.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Savings Account	Fls. 2,229.27	Charity Fund	Fls. 3,302.09
Petty Cash	186.85	Limpí Fund	785.65
Current Account	8,561.22	Club Fund	6,389.60
	<u>Fls. 10,977.34</u>		<u>Fls. 10,977.34</u>

VOLUNTEERS

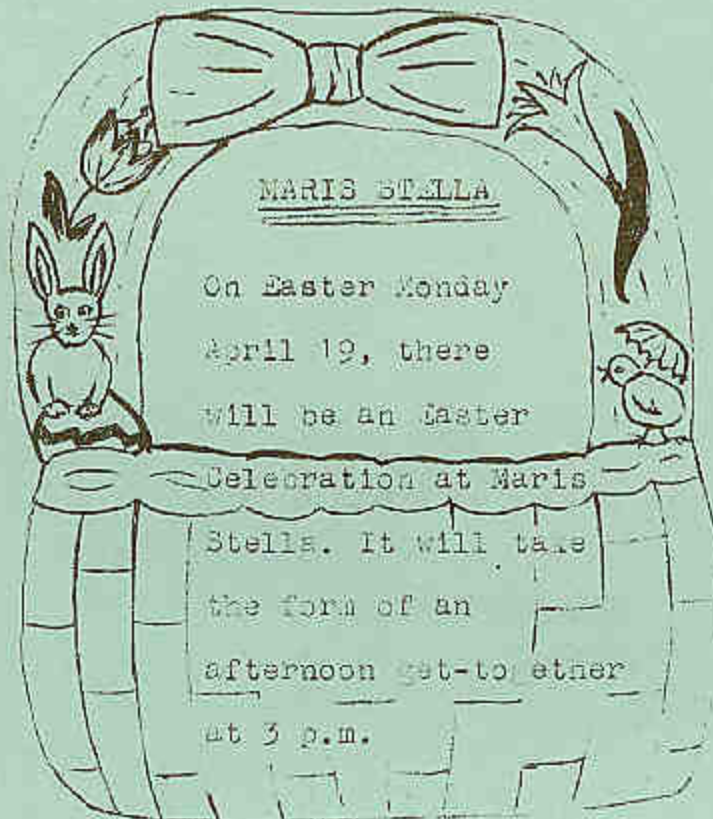
Every Monday and Friday from 10 to 11 a.m., the volunteers at Maris Stella entertain the aged occupants with a Bingo game which is enjoyed very much by them. Thanks to the committee members, small gifts in the way of prizes for the winners are at hand each week. Now we are asking all members to assist us in this effort by donating any small item to be used as prizes such as a comb, pencil, soap, kerchief or sample bottle of eau de Cologne, or any other small item which to you may not be of much value, but to these aged a happy moment when received as a prize. Our committee is doing a wonderful job. How about giving us a hand and bring any item you have available? The volunteers will be at the door next meeting to receive them.

Thank you
Louise (Mosa) Whitfield
Volunteers Chairman



Ladies would you be willing to donate the table favour you received at our lovely koffietafel to help provide these prizes?

C.R.



HELP!!

DRIVERS
are needed to transport
the blind to handicraft
classes each **THURSDAY**
MORNING at Caiquetio.



Arrange your shopping trip to Oranjestad
so you may drop off your passengers and
spend the morning in town! Thank you!

**THE
EMMA
SCHOOL
for the
Deaf**

TRANSPORTATION
is **DESPERATELY**
needed for children
from home to **EMMA
SCHOOL** at Mon Plaisir and
back. Drivers are needed

Call
Trees
Brinkman
9-3530

especially from **SANTA CRUZ** and **ORANJESTAD!!!!**
MOTHERS! If you drive your own children to school and
have room for one or two more ... pick up a deaf child!!

FILL YOUR CAR!
Help a worthy
Cause!

**CALL
TREES
BRINKMAN
9-3530**

CASA CUINA

needs women to help with the children in the
MORNINGS!!

There is a real need for Crayons, Books, Coloring pencils ...
TOYS FOR CHILDREN!!!

We need
YOU!

To open this
DOOR
call
**MIEKE
BEERMAN
9-2877**

**PLEASE
HELP!**

WELCOME!!

April Programme

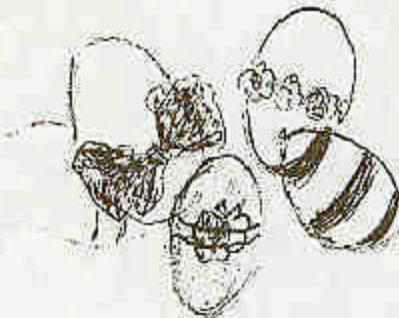
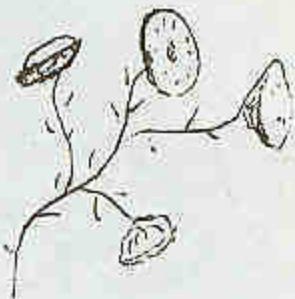
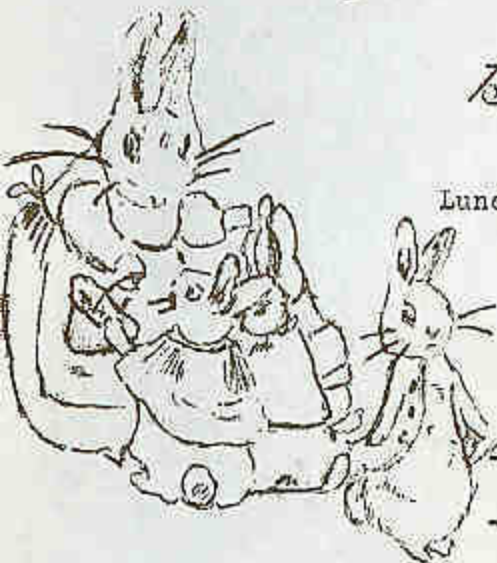
Bunnies on Review

Luncheon at the Aruba Caribbean Klompen Club

Fls. 11.00

M E N U

- Sliced Fresh Pineapple -
- Mixed Grill London Style -
- Broiled Tomatoes, Pommes Duchesse -
- Cucumber Salad with Sour Cream -
- Caramel Custard -
- Tea or Coffee -



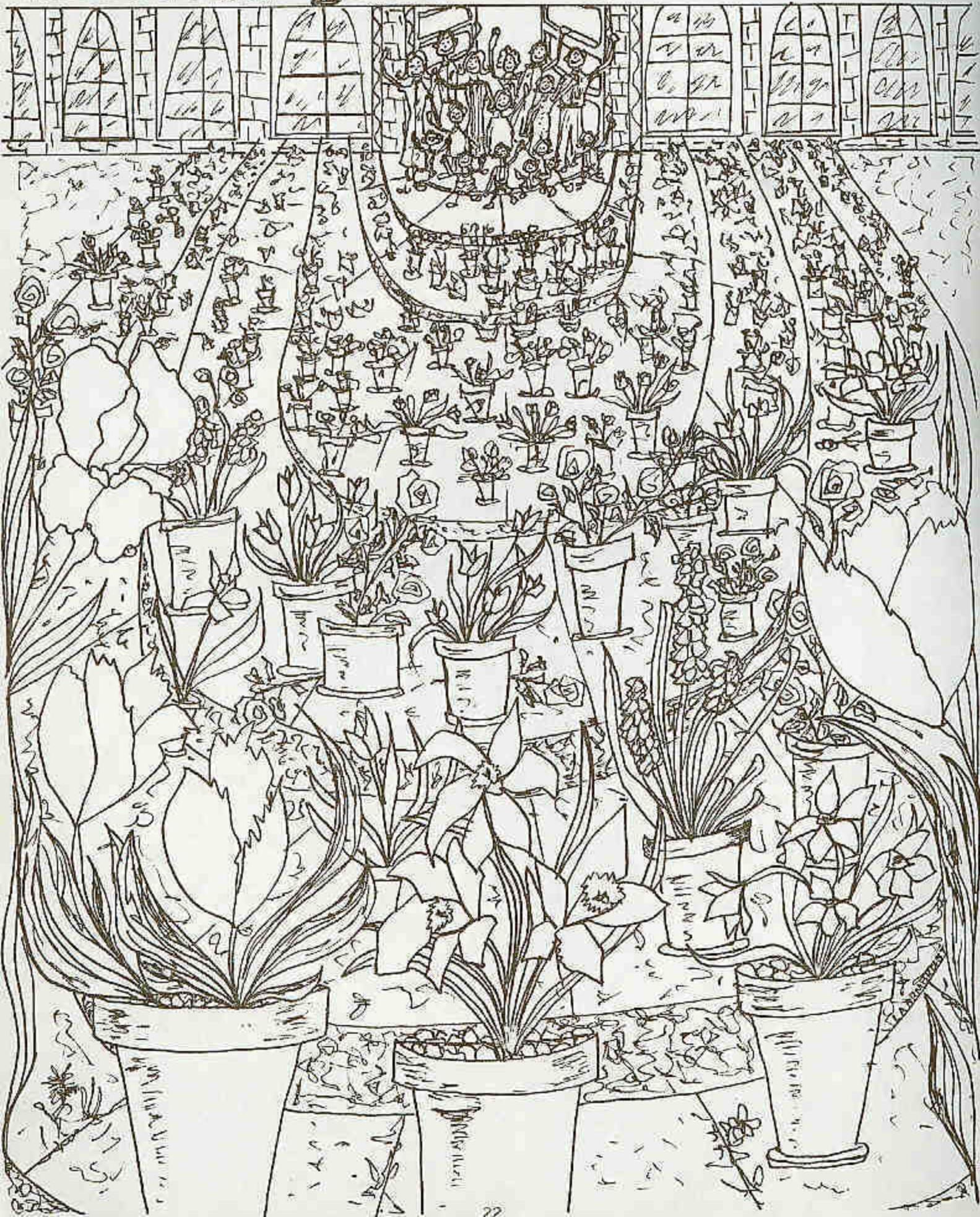
On Tuesday April 6, be there at 11.30
Reservations from one of the following members:-

Norma Goeting	-	Joyeria Vasquez	-	2023
Quita Croes	-	Bata Shoe Store	-	5538
Aura's Beauty Shop			-	1161
Trees Brinkman			-	9- 3530
Anke Marks			-	9- 3548
Falmira Ponson			-	2150

Deadline: April 2, Friday



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QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Every year on April 30, Queen Juliana of the Netherlands celebrates her birthday. In Holland this day is a national holiday when Dutch people from far and near go to the Soestdijk Palace near Baarn to pay homage to their Queen. From early in the morning a long line of people begins to form, some in their regional dress, whole families with picnic baskets, others carrying flowers or gifts of cake or produce to offer the queen on her birthday. After they have had their breakfast the Royal Family (Queen Juliana, Prince Bernhard, their four children and nine grandchildren) appear on the beautiful sweeping steps of the palace. They wave and greet the crowd that gradually files by. Each subject offers his respects. Gifts and flowers are placed on the steps, so that by the time several hours have passed, the steps are barely visible beneath the colorful array. This personal greeting reinforces the warm and affectionate ties the Queen has with her people.

The Dutch possessions in various parts of the world also celebrate the Queen's Birthday with a National Holiday. Here in Aruba in times past the day began as each house hung out its flag. Special masses were offered and after church, all the schoolchildren would congregate outside the Court of Justice dressed in white with a touch of color and receive a bag of sweets. In the middle of the morning everyone lined the route that a Military Parade would take, enjoying the bands and the marching. Everywhere on the Island traditional games were held such as catching a greased pig, pillowfighting on a pole smeared with soap, and spearing a ring with a stick while riding a bicycle. The maypole dances were a colorful part of this day too. Among the sports events, football matches were popular and there was always a sailing contest. Special banquets were prepared in the Clubs and people dressed in sailor costume. Few of these old customs are practised today. The sailing races are still held early in the morning and the Marines parade before Wilhelmina Park. In some districts you can still see the ribbon dances performed. On the wharf a food market is set up where you can taste dishes of traditional food from Surinam, Indonesia, and the Netherlands Antilles. The days festivities end with a firework display in front of the Strand Hotel. This is the month of the Queen's Birthday, so to all our readers 'Have a Happy Day'.

