



No white Christmas this year. And sometimes we wonder if winter will be coming at all. But every downside has an upside as well: it means we don't have to struggle through ice and snow to be able to go somewhere.

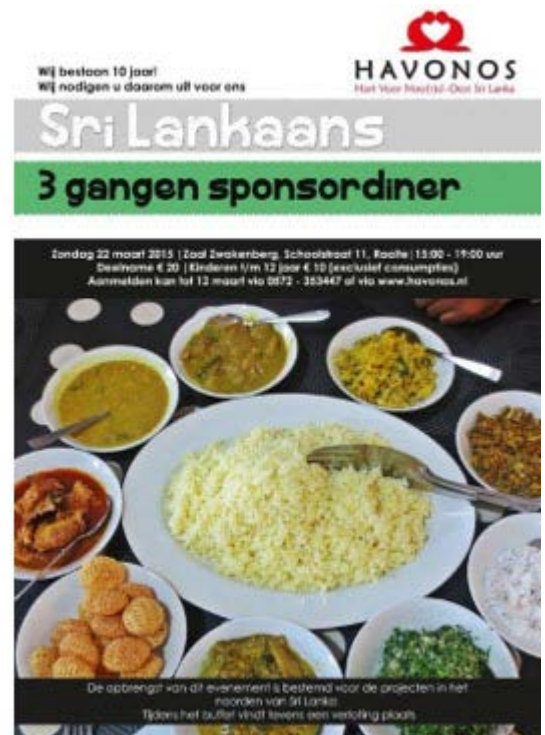
Before you read on, we wish you health and happiness in 2016.

In this newsletter, you receive an overview of the news in 2015. Because a lot has happened this year!

Our most remarkable moments were:

- Our 10 year anniversary, which we celebrated on March 22 2015 with a sponsor dinner, with over 200 guests.
- The fact that we have been chosen by the Working group Development Aid Raalte (WOR) to receive the revenues of the Harvest Festival (Stöppelhaene) 2015. The revenues of the Harvest Festival which we received were € 30.150, which we will spend on our widows project, for widows to build a new life perspective from 'the ground'.
- The travel of Cor and Sieni to Sri Lanka in May 2015, during which they were able to open the second Community Centre in Kokilai, and visited several projects.

The 8th and final course of Obtec completed degrees are awarded to women who have just graduated from the sewing school in Kanagapuram, Killinochchi. From Sri Lanka, we received again a nice PowerPoint presentation with pictures and information about the program.



Sponsors and donations

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They also made an enormous effort by running and swimming. The revenues were wonderful: Cor and Sieni could receive a check of almost 3000 Euros. They took the money to Sri Lanka. With this money,

musical instruments were bought, for musical lessons. Wonderful!

- The Soroptimistenclub Doetinchem-IJsseloever held a book selling in July and a sale of clothes in October for (amongst others) Havonos. The revenues were for our Widows project and sewing school. On a beautiful evening in November we received a check of 3000 Euros!

- Co founders of Havonos, family De Weerd, celebrated their 35 anniversary during the Asparagus-Festival 2015. Havonos was also honored, with a wonderful gift by the family De Weerd and the market stall holders on the Festival, who could donate a free gift to the cause of Havonos instead of having to pay for the position of their market stalls. They donated generously.



- There have been more great gifts, such as the one by the second hand store 'de Oude Kassa' in Veenendaal and several Diaconates and individuals, which we are very grateful for.

- Several Supermarkets campaigning for Havonos, with wonderful donation as a result.

Visit to Sri Lanka

This year Father Rene visited us in the beginning of the year and Father Paul in the summer. It were intense and wonderful days, which both the Fathers and Sieni and Cor, who welcomed them in their house, enjoyed enormously.

Cor and Sieni went to Sri Lanka, where they opened the Community Centre in Kokilai, and visited several projects. Also they were able to speak to some of the widows who join the Widows project which we finance with the revenues of the Harvest Festival 2015, together with the organization Wild Geese.

Christmas celebration in Kokilai



HAVONOS project on TV

As you know, we do a lot of projects in close cooperation with Wild Geese, these many years with great pleasure and confidence.

We are very pleased to announce that we have become on December 13, 2015 Project of the Week. who has not seen the program please click [this link](#).

The amount was amazing € 59,761.69, this money is for all projects of Wild Geese.

Preview 2016

Another location Cor and Sieni visited was a former orphan home of the OMI in Navalady. The home was destroyed completely by the war. It is now a great wish of the population to build a Technical School for Crafts (Youth Education Center) there. We delivered a project proposal to Wild Geese and, to our enormous content, they are willing to join us again.

This is the largest project we will execute in our 10 years existence. It is also a dream come true. We have so far been able to give a lot of aide to women and children, but not yet so much for boys and young men. Also they returned traumatized from the camps, and hardly have a future perspective. Also they are in need of - and have a right to - a light at their horizon, a chance to escape from a seemingly hopeless situation. Will you help us realize this project?

We thank you all for your warm interest. Most of all we thank you for your support of our work and projects. Without you support, help and especially the gifts of our sponsors, we would not be able to yield such wonderful results!

- For the widows who participate or participated in the sewing courses;
- For the widows who join in the agriculture project;
- For the children that we support through the project Pro Children;
- For the raped women and girls, who are kindly taken care of by the organization Good Shepherds;
- For the population of Mullikulam and Kokilai, who use the community centers, transcending all religions and beliefs, where they can deal with their trauma's and celebrate life.

We wish you all the best for 2016!

November

Here in the Netherlands, the days are becoming shorter, the curtains close in the evenings, it is almost winter and a year has almost passed. The time flies. In 2015, again so much has happened, both personally and for Havonos and the projects. In the newsletter of December we will look back on this year.

In this newsletter you will read about:

- the revenues of the Harvest Festival (Stöppelhaene) 2015
- the revenues of the action of the 'Sorooptimistenclub Doetinchem-Ijsseloever'
- the donation of second hand store 'de Oude Kassa'
- our latest and biggest challenge so far, the realization of a technical school in Sri Lanka.

Related to this last subject: did you already vote for our project on the website of Wild Geese? It is an honor for us that our project 'Realization of a Community Centre in Mullikulam' has been nominated by organization Wild Geese (Wilde Ganzen), to be PI (Private Initiative) of the Year. You will help us tremendously by voting. You can vote by clicking on the blue button, on the homepage of our website www.havonos.nl, or at the top of this page. Or on the website of Wild Geese, following this link:

<https://www.wildeganzen.nl/pivanhetjaar/realisatie-gemeenschapshuis-mullikulam-sri-lanka>

Thank you very much, and enjoy reading this newsletter!

Widows project is on the Dutch TV, project of the week at Wild Geese

We will first dwell some more on Wild Geese, because our widows project has been selected by Wilde Geese as Project of the week, under the name 'an income for 150 women'! It means that on **Sunday 13 December** our project is on the **Dutch TV (NPO2, around 12.20h)** and can be heard on Radio 5, at 10.58h. Will you watch and listen with us?

The revenues of the Harvest Festival (Stöppelhaene) 2015

On Tuesday 6 October, several Board members of Havonos gathered in the Annahouse. This was because we were invited by the Working group Development Aid Raalte (WOR) to receive the revenues of the Harvest Festival (Stöppelhaene) 2015.



We were very surprised, the room was full of people. There were representatives of



the WOR and also of the organization of the Harvest Festival (Stöppelhaene) 2015. What a warm interest.

In front of these visitors, Cor and Sieni received a check with the wonderful amount of 29.350 Euros. We can help so many widows with this money, to literally build a living and new life perspective from 'the ground'. Raalte, en surrounding villages, thank you for your kind gifts.

A bit later, the message came that even more money was collected, which make the total amount €30.150 Euros. Wild Geese participated in this project, so it means that they will add 50% of this amount to the revenue. So we will be able to spend an amount of € 45.000 to this project. Fantastic.

The widows that were selected for this project have been informed. The first transfers are made, the first items are bought. This project is running! We receive thankful, enthusiastic messages from Sri Lanka, and we would like to pass these thanks on, we couldn't have reached this without your help!



Soroptimistenclub Doetinchem-IJsseloever

The Soroptimistenclub Doetinchem-IJsseloever developed activities in 2015, and the revenues of that were meant for our Widows project and sewing school. On

December 16, two members of their activity committee surprised us with a check of 3000 Euros! This was raised on a book selling in July and a sale of clothes in October. What a fantastic result. We give the ladies of the club and those who have helped them many thanks.

Donation of second hand store 'de Oude Kassa' Veenendaal



For years we have been on the list of 'Good Causes' of second hand store 'de Oude Kassa' in Veenendaal. This means we receive a part of the monthly revenues of this store, to be able to do our work. This year we received the wonderful amount of € 1.300 Euros. What a wonderful gift, we can do so much with that. This year the money will go to the project of the school of crafts/technical school in

Navalady. You will read more about this project below. Customers and employees of the 'Oude Kassa', many thanks for your donation and the work you put into it. You can be sure it will be well spent.

Technical school (a school for crafts) in Navalady



Recently, we have adopted a new challenge, **youth getting started**.

Also with this project, Wild Geese will support us. We are very thankful for Wild Geese and also we need help urgently, later more about this.

The project is to build and start a technical school (a school for crafts) in Navalady, for youngster who have spend time in camps and never received education, and therefore can run the risk to go astray culturally, economically and spiritually. .

We want to help this youth to be educated in a professional technical, IT, and/or handicraft profession and to enable them to receive professional help

This is the most extensive project that we are starting in the 10,5 years existence of Havonos, with the help of Wild Geese. We really look forward to it. A lot of money is needed for this project. Building the school alone already costs 45000,- Euros. The costs of the furniture and equipment are yet unknown. We ask for your help for this project because we cannot, and don't want to, realize this school alone. Wild Geese already is on board. In case you feel sympathetic to our project, then you can help us tremendously, by voting for Havonos in the competition that we are joining in. You can vote by clicking on the blue button, on the homepage of our website www.havonos.nl, or at the top of this page. The Prize for the winner is an amount of € 10.000- Euros and we would like to spend this on the School of Crafts.

Of course you can also donate directly. You can do this by donating on Banknumber NL53 INGB 00000 40 000 of Wild Geese, under the name: of P.2015.0227 'Bouw ambachtsschool in Navalady'. With the realization of the craft school, a long wish of the local population in Sri Lanka, and Havonos, comes true. Will you help us realize it?

This was our newsletter for now. In Decembers newsletter, we will we will look back on this year. Thank you for your interest and support of our work us and we wish you well.

Kind Regards,

August

It has been a while since we placed a newsletter on the website. That's how it goes during the summer. That doesn't mean the projects are not continuing. On the contrary! But in the Netherlands, we are enjoying the summer holidays and everything slows down. We hope you too found new energy and rest, to face the autumn and winter that are coming.



On 18 July 2015, a traditional day is organized in Raalte, that is dedicated to the harvest of the rye, called 'Roggemaaiersday' (the day of the mowing of the rhy). During that day, it was announced who is the new 'Farmer of Salland': Marriijn van den Berg. Martijn was the ambassador of the Harvest Festival (Stöppelhaene) project, a project in Sri Lanka that provides widows with agricultural aid. Havonos has been working in this destroyed area for years. Together with the Working group Development Aid Raalte, Havonos was present on the Roggemaaiersdag. The weather was good, and there were many visitors.

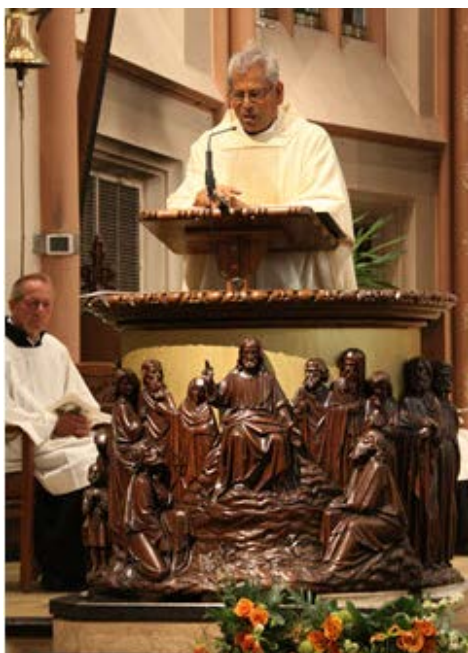
Stöppelhaene 2015: it was a great party.

It was again a wonderful feast this year, with much to offer by the organization and beautiful weather. Perhaps you saw us at the Farmers Market where we shared a stall with the Working Group Development Aid Raalte. Many, many people visited us there, which we enjoyed enormously.

For many it was a great surprise to see Father Paul, who especially came to Raalte for this day.



This is not so strange, because this year the Harvest Festival collection revenues are going to a Widows project in Sri Lanka. Our partner organization, the OMI, to which Father Paul also belongs, is coordinating the project in Sri Lanka, and we, Havonos, do this from the Netherlands. We can announce the news that Wild Geese supports this project: to every Euro they add 50 eurocent. Isn't this great? And did you happen to see the lovely decorations on the Pimpernel, for the third time the most beautifully decorated street in Raalte. They were inspired by the Widows project in Sri Lanka, it was very well done, our compliments!



Father Paul enjoyed the festivities and his visit to Raalte. You could meet him during a cabaret evening, during a church meeting in the Basiliek H. Kruisverheffing, on the public gallery during the floral procession,



and during the Farmers Day at our stall. A beautiful end to his visit was his part in a church service on Sunday morning.

The Harvest gift until now....



Traditionally, the Working Group Development Aid Raalte officially hands the revenues of the collection held during the Harvest Festival (Stöppelhaene) to those who represent the chosen project, in October. So this year, it will be handed to us (Havonos). We will tell you the final amount when we know it.

Already we can announce that so far, 23.620 Euro was raised. It makes us silent in thankfulness. To all the people who donated, we thank you all!

This was the news for now. In September we will start several new activities, the next newsletter will be coming soon.

June

Did you read the big news in the newspaper? A project in Sri Lanka has become the 'good cause' to which the revenues of the collection during the Harvest Festival of the Workinggroup Developmentaid Raalte (in Dutch: WOR) is going this year. In this newsletter you will read more about this. Also, we have other big news, so continue reading!

‘Van de grond af aan’



Oogstgave 2015

Landbouwproject in Sri Lanka

A beautiful detail: during the Festival, Fr. Paul of the OMI will be visiting Raalte, to tell more about the project and to celebrate with you and us. We are looking forward to it tremendously and hope to see many of you.

Harvest Festival collection revenues are going to a Widows project in Sri Lanka

With great gratitude we can inform you that our widows project has become the good cause to which the revenues of the collection held during the Harvest Festival (Stöppelhaene) in August this year, will go to.

Months ago, we had a meeting with the Working group Development aid Raalte (in Dutch: WOR). We were allowed to give a presentation on one of our main projects in the northern part of Sri Lanka. Widows will receive agricultural aid: a cow, a goat, chicken, or seeds to grow. With this, they can supplement their own diets (with milk, eggs, and the products of the land). This will all happen under the supervision of the Fathers of the OMI, who will support and help them. With the revenues of the so called 'harvest gift' (a collection that will be made among the population of Raalte during the Harvest Festival), we will be able to help many, many widows. In the project area live many widows, young and aging, who have lost their husbands in the war. They await the results of the collection expectantly. When you receive a brown envelop through your door, then please give generous. It is a good 'good cause', we can assure you.

Building a technical school for crafts: a dream come true!

For years, we have facilitated sewing education for women and girls in our project area. Also for men and boys, we wanted very much to do something. However, until recently, this was not possible. Fortunately, now, NGOs have better access to the north of Sri Lanka, and we can, finally, make this dream come true: to build and start a technical school (a school for crafts). The location has been chosen: a former, destroyed orphanage of the OMI. Now, the utmost is being asked of us: because the demolition of the old building, and the building and furniture of the school will cost a lot of money.



It looks like this is going to be the most extensive project that we are starting in the 10,5 years existence of Havonos. But we look forward to it! For this project we will start several new activities to raise money. You can share your ideas or activities with us: info@havonos.nl. In our next newsletters you will, no doubt, read more about this project.

The travel of Cor and Sieni to Sri Lanka

Cor and Sieni recently returned from Sri Lanka (Sieni is still working on a report of their journey, more about this later). Besides visiting the projects, they did much more. They went on an 8-day trip with Fr. Ramesh, to visit the surroundings of the widow project. They were filled with courage, but, due to the extreme conditions on the road, they had to return.



Also, they visited the place where the technical school is supposed to arise, a site that is owned by the OMI. On the website www.omijaffna.com you can see impressions of Cor and Sieni's visit to the north.



Furthermore, Cor and Sieni were able to open the second community centre, with the usual celebrations and ceremony, very impressive. It is a pleasure to see that the money that is collected for the projects is so well and carefully spent in Sri Lanka.

Lous Meulenbeld, a new board member of Havonos

The fact that our sponsor dinner was so successful, not only led to positive reactions, but also to a new board member. Lous Meulenbeld came forward to be our new secretary, and we are very pleased with this. She replaces Marja Overmars who became too busy to fulfill these tasks. We want to thank Marja for her work for Havonos. She continues to care for the work of Havonos, and still contributes with small services. Marja, many thanks! Lous, we welcome you on our board and we hope to work long and pleasantly with you.

Asperge-Festival 2015

Two fabulous days of the Asparagus-Festival 2015 were spent with Family the Weerd, co founders of

Havonos. Cor and Sieni, who just returned from their trip to Sri Lanka, went to congratulate the family with their 35 anniversary.



It was a crowded and pleasant meeting. Very big was the surprise that Sieni and Cor were offered a gift of 675 Euro for Havonos, by the family the Weerd and other holders of the market stalls on this festival. These stand holders didn't need to pay for the position of their market stalls, instead they could donate a free gift to the cause of Havonos. They gave generously, as the wonderful amount proves. Families the Weerd and all market stall holders, thank you!! We wish you all the best for the coming 35 years. The asparagus were delicious; the festival was pleasant and well organized.

Action of the Soroptimists in Doetinchem IJsseloever

The Soroptimists chose Havonos in 2015 to be the good cause of their activities. Their contributions are especially meant to support the sewing school. In case you are in the neighborhood: on 16 July 2015, the Soroptimists have a book stall in Doesburg, during a Doesburg Festival (Doesburg Binnenste Buiten), and on 10 October they are present at the Clothing Fair in Dieren, with their own stand with clothes. How suitable is this! We wish them good luck and a good result.

JUMBO supermarkets in Zwolle donate a gift

During the month of May, the JUMBO supermarkets in Zwolle campaigned for Havonos. And this made it possible that Cor and Sieni received a gift of € 591,95. A wonderful amount, with which we can do a lot. We thank the shops and their customers, for this wonderful gift.



Gift of the Church (Hofkerk) in Oldenzaal

We are very grateful for the gift of the protestant church in Oldenzaal. This church has adopted Havonos as a good cause for years. We are very grateful for the gift of 500 Euros, which we will spend well. Thank you very much!

This was our last newsletter before the summer holidays. After the summer, we will be pleased to return to you. Of perhaps, during the summer, with news on the Harvest gift and the Working group Development aid Raalte (WOR). We wish you a good summer. For those of you who will go on a travel: we wish you great holidays and please return safely.

Kind regards,
The board of Havonos

May

Gratefully we look back at the celebration of our 10th anniversary which took place on March 22nd 2015. It was a wonderful party from which we are still recovering. We received donations long after the party was finished, but proudly we can now present the final amount gathered that afternoon: € 5.957,75.

Isn't that a wonderful amount?

Major sponsor / fasting activity school 'De Horizon'



Pupils of a school called 'SBO De Horizon' have run and swam many laps and with this great effort they have been able to collect a wonderful amount of over € 2.800,-.

The school board and teachers had already decided earlier that part of revenue of the fasting activity 2015 would be given to Havonos.

After Cor and Sieni had given a presentation at school about the life in Sri Lanka and the projects of Havonos the same school board and teachers decided to donate the complete revenue, including the sponsor running and swimming, to Havonos. No doubt about it that all pupils totally agreed with this decision as we can see from their efforts and the results. Thumbs up for all of you!!!



Currently we are talking with the Fathers in Sri Lanka on how to spend this money. One thing is already clear: the money will be fully spend on a goal for children in Sri Lanka. What the exact goal is, will be kept secret for a while... You will read more about this in the next news letter. For now we would like to thank the pupils, teachers and school board of 'De Horizon' for their wonderful activity.

Donations PKN church Raalte

We are just as thankful for the donations of PKN Raalte. We will definitely be able to find a good purpose for that as well. Thank you very much!

Within short notice we will consult with our contact persons in Sri Lanka. For that reason this news letter will be kept short. At the end of next month we expect to have a longer and more detailed news letter.

Again we thank you for your attention and support for our projects. Without that support we could not

have done what we have done so far and what we are still doing. We realize that again and again, so once more: thank you very much!

April

Yield sponsor dinner Havonos overwhelming!

Very great was the surprise that Ton Zwakenberg has made the halls, help and staff available for free, alongside all the advice he gave. Korbeld Liquor accounted for all beverages and Ronny Cents, of DDMC / print, also did not charge any fee again. All for a good cause for the projects Havonos in Sri Lanka. Through this amazing sponsoring the final amount has become: € 5723, -.



We are very happy with this. More than 200 people had signed up to the sponsordinner. They could enjoy a truly Sri Lankan dinner buffet of Catering Thaya: www.tamilfood.nl (and many wouldn't mind doing so again). The atmosphere was great and the people are very enthusiastic, what could we want more. It is great to live in an area like Raalte and environment and life. To care for your neighbors, to be willing to care for each other, it was felt by all present. This is where Havonos stands for: Heart for North Eastern Sri Lanka.



Maart

The countdown has begun: only a few days, and then we celebrate – together with you? – our 10-year anniversary. On Sunday 22 March 2015, at 15: 00 (until 19: 00), we celebrate the anniversary party of Havonos Foundation with a Sri Lankan sponsor dinner at zalencentrum Zwakenberg, School Street 11 in Raalte.

There are already nearly 200 party participants and we can accommodate up to 220 people. So if you want to join us and did not have opportunity to register, please send a quick email to: sieni@havonos.nl. We will let you know as soon as possible if there is still a place available. Information about the costs and the like can be found elsewhere on our site and in our newsletter of January 2015.

Meanwhile we are busy preparing. That gives lively and sometimes stressful activity. The organisation of such an event involves a lot of things to take care of. Determining the menu,



making arrangements with the catering and making an attractive menu, and making arrangements on how to arrange the lottery. We have over 150 rewards to offer, which we received from the entrepreneurs in Raalte and surroundings. Fantastic! And we hope to surprise a lot of guests with these prizes on March 22nd. We welcome all our guests on 22 March, we are looking forward to meet you. If you are not able to come, then we look forward to another moment of encounter.

Surprise visit from Father René

Father René had already told us he would come to Europe and that he wanted to visit us. Yet his visit still came as a surprise. While Father René was in Germany, he contacted us and asked if he could come, to stay one night. One night became two nights and we had very pleasant days. Father Meno Basti from Germany brought Father René to us. They joined us for dinner and Father Meno Basti returned to Germany later in the evening. It was a cozy evening. [Click here for the pictures.](#) Father René came exactly on one of the rare days this year that snow had fallen. For him, it was the very first time he experienced snow and where could we take him better than to the Lemelerberg to experience it?

There happened to be a journalist around, with the result that a nice article on the new experiences of René followed in the newspaper. With Father René, we made some typical Dutch trips. We visited the factory in Luttenberg making wooden shoes, we drank hot chocolate with whipped cream, and we visited the – working – mill in Ommen, where he got an explanation of the miller.

Also we spent visiting the Coop supermarket in Lemelerveld, to show Father René how the bottle deposit return receipts work that we use to collect money for Sri Lanka.



All in all, we had intensive, but very fine days. The great thing about the visits of the Fathers is that we come to understand each other better. And that we can make good agreements, which benefit the cooperation and mutual band.

You don't have to wait again two months to receive the next newsletter. At the end of April we would like to report – with photographs – on our anniversary party on 22 March. Until then, our best regards.

Below you will see the congratulations from students from Sri Lanka, thank you very much!

Wish you a happy Anniversary

TO THE MEMBERS OF HAVONAS

Wishes from the Present Batch

The present batch girls would like to share their joy with you on the occasion of 10th Anniversary of HAVONOS.

Director

Another year... another bloom!

Blessings 'n' wishes on your Anniversary!



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01.	அ. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்காக பிரார்த்தனை செய்கிறோம்.	We will pray for you
02.	உ. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு நல்ல வாழ்க்கை.	live long.
03.	கி. மகிழ்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	praprou's life to all
04.	கி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	praying for your health.
05.	கி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	" " "
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09.	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	appriacating your health.
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11.	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	God Bless You.
12.	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	wishing you good mission
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17.	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	wish "you all the best
18.	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	We will not forget you.
19.	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	appriacating your mission
20.	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	" " "
21.	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	We pro Have a good
22.	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	praying for you. Life.
23.	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	God will be with you.
Wishes from staff			
01	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	We appreciate your service.
02	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	We pray to God
03	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	live a long life.
04	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	We share our joy
05	பி. சஞ்சயன்	உங்களுக்கு அனைத்து நன்மைகளும்.	" " "

10-year anniversary

This year it has been 10 years since Havonos was founded. We want to celebrate with you, on Sunday 22 March, with a benefit dinner. Most invitations are already mailed and the first 70 people have already made a reservation, but there is still space for many more people to enjoy the delicious Sri Lankan food. If you so happen to have received no invitation, do consider this letter than as an invitation to the Jubilee to come celebrate with us.

When	Sunday 22 March 2015
Where	Zalencentrum Zwakenberg, School Street 11, 8102 EL Raalte
What time	from 15: 00 to 19: 00
Cost	€ 20 per person (adult); children up to 12 years € 10

Refreshments for own account



You can sign up to 12 March via the registration form and you can indicate the number of people (adults and children) to come. Also we kindly ask you to transfer the amount of money in time for dinner. But keep in mind full = full.

You can read a newspaper article via this link:

<http://www.weekbladvoorsalland.nl/2015/01/31/havonos-viert-10-jarig-bestaan-met-sponsordiner> (Dutch)

January

Outside it looks rather like fall instead of winter. Are we moving toward spring, or should we still expect more snow and ice? We will see it and experience it .



We will show you a few pictures of the Christmas parties, as is celebrated (in different locations) with song, dance and games.

In any case we want to inform you in this first newsletter of the New Year 2015, about the developments around Havonos. A lot has happened in recent times. And Havonos sizzles! We are busy with the preparations of our anniversary party, about which you can read more in this newsletter. Let's start to bring you up to date.

Fr. Jeeva on visit

On 28 December, Fr. Jeeva visited us. He was invited to come in Paris, France. And If you're there, then you're not so far from Raalte, Netherlands! We found it great to see him and to speak to him. Of course we were talking about the projects and he informed us about the latest developments. Fr. Jeeva also came up with a wish list for new projects, but above all he expressed convincingly the gratitude of the people who by the support of Havonos, so by you, have gotten new possibilities for their lives.



The enthusiasm and energy of the people in the



project area are both moving as well as admirable. FR. Jeeva also enjoyed his visit to us. After his visit to Raalte fr. Jeeva went back to Paris, where he became ill. Now he is back in Sri Lanka, but has not fully recovered. We wish him a speedy recovery.

New vice chairman, Ed van Houselt, introduces itself

In our last newsletter we told you about the expansion of the Board with a new vice President, Ed van Houselt, which officially has strengthened our Board on 1 January 2015. Officially, unofficially because Ed has already deployed a number of activities in the last few months for us and he has represented us in various meetings. Ed introduces himself here:

"My name is Ed van Houselt and I live in Raalte. I have a mechanical engineering training and I have worked at several companies in management positions. These companies were engaged in the design and construction of water treatment plants.

My interest in Sri Lanka started after the Tsunami. In 2007 we have been on vacation and we were very impressed by the country. In March 2014 I went with retirement and then I went to look for volunteering work at an organization involved with development aid. So I ended up at Havonos. Since September I joined the Board as Vice-President and I hope I can contribute to the continuity and success of Havonos.

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We are come at the end of this newsletter. Comments we would like to see! We close with our thanks and gratitude of the people in the project area, for your support, commitment and interest.