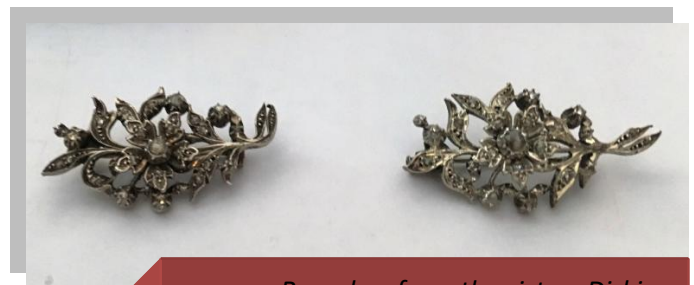


Het nageslacht van Ytzen Lieuwes Tamminga en Hiltje Karsjens Kalma

Report Annual Meeting FNT/ family day FNT April 10th 2017 in Burdaard

Minutes General Meeting

1. Opening. Chairman Lieuwe Tamminga (144.3 N) opens at 11:10 a.m. and welcomes everyone.
2. To determine the agenda, there are no added items.
3. Documents received. Lieuwe Tamminga (N156) from Grand Rapids says hello in a digital way (skype).
4. Minutes Annual Meeting 2016 by Zwaantje Tamminga (N140.1) are officially determined.
5. Financial report. Treasurer Symen Tamminga (N150.3) explains: All payments are made by bank. The current balance is € 403.75. The income is gained by membership contribution (amount of choice, minimum of € 5.-) and the contributions for the annual meeting. The income is used for bank charges, website costs and payments for the annual meeting. A question arises about the content of the membership. Anyone who pays at least € 5.- a year is a member of the FNT union and has the right of speech. Non members are welcome at the meeting but do not speak.
6. Financial annual report. The financial committee, (Anne Cor Tamminga (N273) and Geeske Osinga (154.3 N) advises the General Assembly to grant discharge to the Board. The same financial committee will also look after the cash audit in the year 2017.
7. Any other business. Sari van Dijk - Bosch (221.4 N) brought a silver brooch with brilliants that once belonged to Sara Meiles Miedema, wife of Jan Ytzens (N2). As you can see in the pictures on page 7 in the book "Tamminga Miedema chronicles" of Meile M. Tamminga (N156) her sister Dirkje Meiles Miedema, wife of Karsjen Ytzens (N1), wore a similar brooch. Nowadays, Ymkje Osinga (N154.2) possesses this other brooch. Today, about 140 years later, the two brooches lay next to each other on the table in Burdaard in Friesland. The suspicion that the two brooches are equal, is now confirmed.
8. Meeting closes at 12:00 a.m.



Brooches from the sisters Dirkje Meiles Miedema en Sara Meiles Miedema

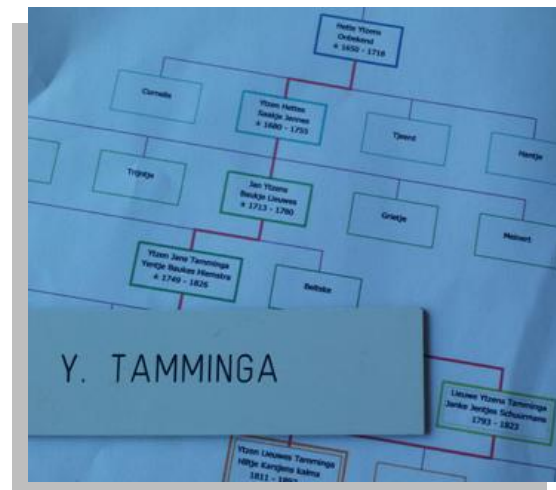
Presentation family history by Ebele Tamminga (N144.7) and Symen Tamminga (N150.3)

Earlier annual meetings of the FNT took place in Boksum and other surrounded places. Our FNT ancestor, Ytzen Lieuwes Tamminga, was born in Boksum about 200 years ago. He lived in Boksum, got married to brightly-owned farmersdaughter Hiltje Karsjens Kalma, got member of the Reformed Church and became rich after that.

The family day today takes place in Burdaard and surrounded areas. The theme of today's family day is "our ancestry between ± 1650 and 1800 ...". This period includes the time of the ancestors of Ytzen Lieuwes, they lived in the triangle of the villages Bartlehiem-Burdaard-Wânswert. The red book of Meile M. Tamminga (N156) "Tamminga Miedema Chronicles" was very helpful to prepare this family day.

Symen and Ebele tell how it once began with the Tamminga ancestors. We descend apparently from Emperor Karel de Grote. Today we go back in time to 1650, the year of Hette Ytzens. From here we follow a little part of the family tree. In order of "father to son": Hette Ytzens ► Ytzen Hettes ► Jan Ytzens ► Ytzen Jans ► Lieuwe Ytzens ► Ytzen Lieuwes ► ► Karsjen Ytzens / Lieuwe Ytzens ► Our grandparents ** ► Our parents **.

Ytzen Jans Tamminga (± 1749-1826) was the first one to take the name "Tamminga", but the name already existed before Napoleon's time. "Tamminga" is linguistic over 2000 years old. "Tamminga" is ancient Saxon, the name is a second name plural. Frisian is an ancient Saxon dialect. Old English (Anglo-Saxon) and Old Frisian were originally the same language. The meaning of Tammings: descendants of "Tamma". "Tamma" is the worn out form of "Tanymar". "Tanc" is the trunk of "tinkan": thinking, thinking ability. "Mar" is the tribe of mare, fame. Because a first name in old German was a wish, pronounced by the name maker, usually a grandparent, we can translate "Tanymar" with: may he acquire fame by his mind.



Our ancestors were farmers and eked out a scanty livelihood to keep the farm going and maintain the family. Some succeeded in gaining wealth, but disasters such as outbreak of the bovine fever could cause the wealth to change into impoverishment. People came to understand: the only way to go forward is to study and develop yourself. Moving and emigration could also lead to wealth, so later relatives moved to other angles of Friesland (including Boksum), Amsterdam, South Africa and America. Photographs of farms, pedigrees and family weapons illustrate the visual and interesting stories of Ebele and Symen.



After the interesting presentation it's time for a walk and talk and get some lunch: soup, bread, milk and buttermilk are waiting. Ytzen Lont (N147.3) wrote a story about his first name and reads this out during lunch. The story fits in perfectly with the program of the day because of the ancestral line with many Ytzens. Even nowadays the name Ytzen still lives on, also in the very young generation. You can read the story on the website of Ytzen Lont <http://blog.stylo.nl/2017/04/ytzen-hoe.html>



Bike and car tour along Burdaard, Bartlehiem, Wânswert

It's time for some action. We want to see the area of our ancestry with our eyes. A route has been set for the cyclists and the motorists, and thus we arrive at the locations where the Tamminga ancestors lived a long time ago. The stories that were told in the presentation earlier, contribute to the image we have of how our ancestors lived in earlier times.



We visit the Reformed Church in Burdaard, where our ancestors went to church. A simple, beautiful church painted in old blue color. The verger who chose the blue color, tells enthusiastic about the renovation. He shows us the huge pulpit bible, with a part cut out on top to hold the pulpit lamp. A lick of paint that was painted by the first painters before the renovation is still visible. "Pink", the verger says misleadingly. He can also play organ though he doesn't read music. It's beautiful.

Some of us start to sing. After all, that's what an organ is meant to be: to sing along, whether you want to or not.

We visit another place, Tergracht alongside the canal Dokkumer Ee. We see land with a small powerhouse at the opposite side of the canal, once the farm of our oldest known ancestor Hette Ytsens stood there. His farm was a monastery of Mariengarde, a farmhouse which was nationalized by the states of Friesland in 1581 but was bought by Hette Ytsens. At this place, which is now used as a dredging depot, we photograph ourselves with the landscapes and the history of our origin in the background.



We continue the journey via curving paths along the canal Dokkumer Ee, while enjoying the clear blue skies and the beautiful views. Friesland is so beautiful with cows, sheep and lambs in the meadow, the trees show their blossoms with many color shades, an aqueous sun accompanies us. We often leave the bicycle and take a look at the places of our family's history: the farmhouse on the "Wirdserterp", "Pastorie Pleats" farm,



"Weeshuis Pleats" farm, Farmers worship at "Tergracht" and the farm "Olbrandsweeren". We wish another picture once again, as a group on Bartlehiem's world-famous bridge. The woman that takes the picture lives in the toll house next to the bridge. This toll house also has a link with our ancestry, previously inhabited by Baukje Jenzes Talsma, mother of Ymkje Tamminga-de Jong. The name Talsma (in Frisian pronounced as Tolsma) is derived from the toll collectors on the canal.

In the village Wânswert a miller waits for us at the Victor mill, he tells us about the history of the mill and about how it works. The mill was built in 1867 to mill for the polder "Ald Piip", and now the mill serves the "Wanswerdepolder". After a walk around the cemetery in Wânswert, we return to Burdaard, to the pub "It Posthûs". We are still talking about the trip, sharing memories and exchanging news. Everyone agrees: how wonderful this day is with interesting information, excellent preparation and a good organization! About five o'clock the Tamminga descendants are leaving, all to different directions in the Netherlands, their thoughts are full of memories and impressions of our family history.



The report is not intended to be complete, but it's meant as a memory of a wonderful family day for the family members who were present in Friesland. May this report help the family members who were not present to get a picture of our family day and let them feel inspired to enjoy the next meeting in 2018.

