

# Service Without Frontiers

#### International Service Newsletter of

**ROTARY CLUB OF PERTH – WESTERN AUSTRALIA** 

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Dear ROP International Service friends

Welcome to the last issue of Service Without Frontiers for 2016! It has been an extremely exciting year for our Club's International Service...

Lea, our inbound International Exchange student hasn't stopped impressing us with her manners and positive attitude. In this issue she is playing our 10 out of 10 game...

Parkland Mazda's houses in Cambodia were built and delivered to the poor ones while thanks to Mike Gurry , funds of more than \$880,000 have been donated to House That Jack Built and Nokor Tep women's Hospital, under our Club's name in 2016.

Cambodia Family support is in full progress too and on top of the funds that Helen and Vin Keane managed to raise in the name of our Club, there is a new project team formed to assist the next fundraising wave from Macquarie Bank and Emma Cork.

Our lunch with the India Consul General opens a new page in our exposure and cultural exchange with the international communities in our city, while our Club's visit to RC of Seminyak, Bali was sealed with one more international project!

A big Thank You to all International Team members for a great year of service!

Yours in Rotary service,

Vangelis Katsaitis

International Service Director

**Rotary Club of Perth** 



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Lea, our Swiss exchange student plays our "10 out of 10 game" and unfolds her personality and background. Well done Lea!

Project Head : Wesley Sim wesley@simconsultancy.com.au

- 1. Born: January 11th 1999
- 2. Other brothers/sisters: Just a dog!!!
- 3. Favourite subject in school: Human Biology
- 4. Favourite job to do as a grown up: Heart/neuro surgeon
- 5. Favourite sport: ballet dancing and gymnastics
- 6. Best and worst dish: Best: everything that my mom cooks. Worst dish : Sea food and Egg
- 7. Best memory in life: Every place I've been traveling to will stay as my best memory
- 8. Biggest fear: Not to have a happy life!
- 9. Best moto: We are all here on earth to help others; what on earth the others are here for I don't know.
- 10. Your dream in life: If I was like everybody I would just say peace in the world but I rather say free chicken nuggets for everybody because chicken nuggets make people happy and if the people are happy then we can consider having peace all around the world.

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#### The House That Jack Built & Parkland Mazda

Project Head : Mike Gurry gurry@iinet.net.au

We are thrilled to announce that thanks to our Newsletter sponsor Parkland Mazda, 2 more poor Cambodian families have now a new and safe home! Thank you Parkland Mazda!

The House That Jack Built Group, built 17 houses in their last session. Many of the beneficiary families were very young only just married from Popei village in Siem Reap province and 36 children benefited in total. Well done House That Jack built Team!

### **Cambodia Family Support**

Another Literacy Center is nearing completion and latest cycle of Water & Sanitation project (funded by ROP is finishing by the end of this month. The animal Bank project has started a trial of goat-raising. Most Cambodians do not eat goat or sheep/lamb. But there is a market for goats among the Cham, Muslim Cambodians who mostly live north of Phnom Penh. Also Dr Samnang, CFS Director, visited Perth where he met with members of the ROP project team.

Regarding our Club's contribution to Cambodia Family Support for 2016, it is \$52,782 thanks to the work and the efforts of Helene and Vin Keane. A big thank you ! Project Head : Helen & Vin Keane vandhkeane@gmail.com



## **Cambodia Family Support Fund Raising**

Project Head : Emma Cork emma.cork@macquarie.com

The Helping Hand Fundraiser hosted by Macquarie in 2016 was an enormous success!

This single event raised over \$50,000 for Cambodia Family Support and forever changed the lives of many poor families in Cambodia.

The International Service Committee is actively seeking members to join this sub-committee to provide sustainability of Cambodia Family Support.

CFS Committee will work in collaboration with Macquarie Foundation to host a fundraising event in October 2017.

Following the event, the CFS Committee will organise a team visit to Cambodia. IF you are interested in being part of this exciting team – please contact emma.cork@macquarie.com . The first meeting is proposed for Thursday 12 January 2017 5pm in Macquarie Boardroom Level 4 Bishop See 235 St George's Terrace. Be there!



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# **ROP Contribution to Cambodia**

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We are thrilled to announce some very important numbers regarding our Club's contribution to Cambodia.

Rotary Club of Perth has raised over **\$880,000** in 2016 for The House That Jack Built and Nokor Tep Women's Hospital in Cambodia!

In specific, over \$740,000 has been raised for **building 548 houses, 3** schools and **518 water wells** and over \$140,000 have been raised for the Tabitha Nokor Tep Womens Hospital Project.

Our House That Jack Built and Nokor Tep Women's Hospital champion Mike Gurry reported these remarkable numbers and we would like to thank him through the lines of our newsletter for his continuous support, project guidance and contribution to the above outcome. We really appreciate and admire your work Mike!





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PERTH'S FAVOURITE MAZDA DEALER FOR OVER 40 YEARS **cultural Exchange Lunch** 

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otary Club of Perth International Service under its scope of enhancing members' and community's knowledge of international understanding, goodwill, and peace, had its inaugural Cultural Exchange Lunch with the Indian community in Perth.

It was a unique Indian flavoured event at the Parmelia Hilton with Guest Speaker, Mr. Amit Mishra, Consul General of India in Perth. Great Indian menu and Bollywood dance performance made this lunch a great attraction for a pleasant ending in the working week. We were also delighted to meet a number of distinguished Indian representatives from the local business, political and community life of WA.

Cultural Exchange lunches will continue in the new year with other local communities of non Australian heritage. The other highlight of that lunch was the induction of City of Perth Councillor and candidate of the Liberal Party for Mirrabooka, Ms Lily Chen. Lily's induction on the day of our Cultural Exchange Lunch signifies our International Service's scope for International understanding.



c Project ROP & RC of Seminyak



Our Club visit to Bali and in particular to the RC of Seminyak in November was sealed with a joint project for Tista.

Our Club agreed to provide the funding for building 5 houses for the unprivileged ones. It's very exciting that after Cambodia we can now provide shelter to the poor Indonesians too and the project team consisting of President elect Stephen Inouye, Past President Ray Della Polina and President elect Alex for the Seminyak Rotary Club will be definitely an asset to the International Service of our Club.





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