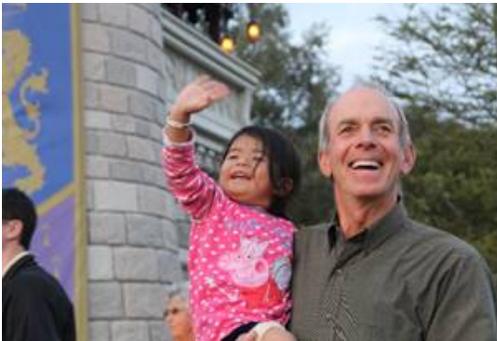




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PAPA'S UPDATE



In late January Hope, Anita and I flew to America where Shriners Children's Hospital in Boston had accepted her as a patient. Shriners would be a great model for how the planet should work. Phenomenal medical personnel, incredible attention to detail and bedside care beyond belief.

Everyone on "Hope's Team" deserves special mention, but the head of it all, Bernadette Hannigan, will never be forgotten.

[Continue reading Papa's Update here...](#)

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: ELA'S TIME WITH CENTER FOR AWARENESS PROMOTION

By Ela Furdas

I signed up for three weeks with Volunteer Nepal, but had a feeling I might like to stay longer, so left my departure date open. In the end, I stayed for almost three months. It was my first formal international volunteer placement. I've been wary in the past, concerned that many programs seem to lack a sense of humility, of collaboration with or direction from the cultural contexts in which they work.

However, I still had a desire to offer useful service, and while researching potential organizations, I was attracted to the sense of transparency, authenticity and heart that was offered by NOH and the Volunteer Nepal program. I am happy to say that I leave with those same impressions. [Continue reading here...](#)



DOCUMENTARY FUN-RAISERS!

In an effort to share our recent NOH Documentary "What It Takes to Be Extraordinary" far and wide, some of our NOH Board members are/have been holding private screenings in their local areas. Following screenings in Davidson, NC; and the Bay Area of California, the film was shown at the Capitol Theater in Cleveland, OH.

The fundraising event featured an audience of native and not-so-native Clevelanders (many of them long-time supporters of NOH), Nepali-born students from nearby universities, Nepali-speaking Bhutanese refugees (now resettled in Cleveland), former volunteers, as well as three members of our NOH boards: Carola Drosdeck, Toni Thomson, and Michael Triozzi.

The audience was clearly moved by the film and asked numerous questions of film's creator Toni Thomson. They were excited to hear details of the many stories featured in Papa's update (see above) and were enthusiastic in their greeting to the children of NOH as featured in the photo below.

We are truly grateful to all friends and NOH supporters for attending. For those in Australia, NOH Board Advisor Laurie Levine will be holding a fundraiser and private screening in New South Wales on July 17, 2016. For more information please contact

Laurie directly at laurieleahlevine@gmail.com.

Also this month, Canadian supporters of NOH tuned in to the Film's Canadian premiere on CBC's documentary channel -- and will continue to air for the next six years!

For more information regarding upcoming film screenings & contact information, please visit: WhatItTakesToBeExtraordinary.com and follow our film on [Facebook here](#).





DISPATCHES FROM THE CITY OF GLORY: CHILDREN SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES AT PAPA'S HOUSE (PART 2)

When we asked the Class 10 students to tell us about their life in Kathmandu, they were thrilled to share their personal stories. The students partnered up and wrote essays in English, detailing their experiences and perspectives on school, family, friends and life at Papa's House. We loved reading them and we hope you will too.

While Papa, Anita Sister and Hope

Angel Went to America

By Sapana

I am Sapana from NOH reporting about how the members of NOH felt when Papa, Anita Sister and Hope angel went to America on January 26, 2016.

We all remember everything from when we came to live with Papa at NOH. We used to share our feelings and what happened during the whole day and how we reacted because he had become one of our best friends, parents, and most trusted guides.

When there used to be any occasion, we used to make small cards. This time, Valentines Day came, but we missed making the small card in which we used to write, "Happy Valentines Day Papa" because he was out of the country with Anita sister and Hope Angel for her treatment. We missed him a lot.

We felt as if we were missing some organs from our body. I asked small Gita C., she said, "I missed them a lot. I hoped our Hope angel will be fine and soon we will get our happy family together again." Now, myself, I felt very sad when Papa went to America with Hope Angel. I missed her smile, the way she used to call us, the way she used to make us laugh by doing funny activities.



I really felt that not only me, but the whole family of NOH were missing one of the happiest and most special members of NOH. Now, we have Papa back with us again and we all have have a joyful life again.

Hope's Birthday

By Ram and Aspara

We are Apsara and Ram S. and we have been part of the NOH family for 10 years. Now we study in Grade 10. Hope, who was just 6 weeks old, became a part of our family. She is so cute and we all love her very much.

Time passed so fast that we just celebrated her third birthday. So, on her birthday, which was on Saturday, April 30th, we all were invited. Right at four o'clock, we reached her house and there we waited for the others to come.

After everybody arrived, we all wished her a happy birthday. She was looking so cute. She was dressed up very beautifully with a green and black kurta. She cut her cake and we all had the cake with an ice cream and coke. We all enjoyed it all. We played some music and asked Hope for a dance. She really wanted to dance with Sujan who is also a very small boy of four years old, but he declined. He looked nervous, so Hope danced with one of her sisters from her house. Papa took many pictures of her dancing, too. She was given her birthday present by many brothers and sisters. She looked very happy.

Finally the party was over and we came home to our respective houses. So this is how we celebrated Hope's birthday.



Volunteers at Papa's House

By Nama and Ramesh

People generally do not like to remain in one place. Life becomes monotonous. They want to travel to different places for different purposes. For example, many tourists or volunteers at often visit Papa's

House.

Volunteers from different parts of the world visit NOH every year. They are so kind to us in ways we can't even imagine. Every time they visit, we find something new in our life. They teach us about our self which helps us improve our quality of life. We find many differences between before and after they visit.

They give us knowledge about many things that we do not know. They have also taught us to run our life more easily and comfortably by telling us to "think cool" instead of hurrying. Helping others is the best lesson we got from everyone at Papa's House from Papa and others. They see our hard work and they want to help us which makes us more



happy.

Especially at holidays, we have much fun with them. They teach us challenging and fun games we like to play. Some of the volunteers are here for a short period of time and some for a long period of time. They give information about their countries which makes us curious about them. They converse with us about what is right and what is wrong and correct us when we do wrong. We have no way to forget the lessons they have given us. They taught us to increase our confidence.

Before we used to be so nervous to talk with any newcomer or volunteer, but they taught us things to build up our confidence, so we are like friends to everyone who comes to visit us. For this we are very much thankful to Mr. Michael John Hess who is regarded as Papa for giving us such a golden opportunity. We, all the kids of Papa's House (NOH), are thanking all the

volunteers who visit us and help us in everything. And all the other volunteers who are willing to come, you are always welcome from the bottom of our hearts.

Papa

By Anu and Kokila



The word "Papa" itself is very important in everybody's life. It's the person of loving nature who always cares about their sons and daughters.

Our Papa's name is Michael John Hess. He is 63 years old. He is not the Papa of only one or two kids. He is the Papa of many homeless, hopeless, helpless, needy and poor people. Papa's Hobby is to make others happy.

He has helped so many people directly and indirectly. He always does this work for the sake of others and for goodwill. He never goes against anybody and never wants to hurt others' feelings. He only wants to see others happy. His care and love is unconditional. He is selfless and always tries to hide his pain.

He has given us everything that our own father and mother never could.

Student Life

By Ram and Tilak

Among the different stages of life, student life is one of the most important. Student life is full of preparation to acquire knowledge and skills.



First, a student studies at school. They spend all their time in studies and entertainment. The student has to work hard in this stage. His success in life depends on his education. If he receives a good education, he can succeed in life.

If he cannot receive a good education, he cannot prosper in life. Students acquire knowledge of many different subjects, such as: languages, mathematics, history, geography, social studies, science and so on. They become practical for their future life.

Besides textbook knowledge, they learn discipline, punctuality, regularity, cooperation, etc. These qualities help them to make changes in society when they finish their studies. If the student learns all these things, then he/she becomes an ideal citizen of the country.

The main duty of a student is to study, but many students do not realize their duty.

They waste their time in unnecessary activities. If students engage themselves in bad activities, then they spoil their future.

Student life is the most important part of life. Every student should know the importance of education. Students are the future leaders of a nation. The prosperity of the nation depends on its students. So, it is the duty of parents, teachers and the government to pay great attention to students.

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