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In this newsletter you can read a thank you to all from one of our students, some reflections on the year 2018 and find a link to Pär´s TEDx-Talk about his book whose title in English can be translated to "Solved on the spot. Men travelling together ".

Some reflections over the year 2018 from KMCH ´s point of view

In year 2018 we have completed the second floor on the house we built in 2014. We have decorated it with beds, smokeless stoves and other things so we can wellcome 20 new children this spring. Then there will live 67 children at the school home. The problem with the has been solved and we have continued to plant fruit trees within our replanting project TPP (Tree Planting Project).



Cleansing vegetables and playing outside our Houses.

Work, studies and playing in a good mix we believe.

During 2017 we invested with the help of New Hope in educating a few from KMCH and some villagers in planting and caring for fruit trees. We also bought planting equipment

and cuttings for planting. During 2018, we sent a teacher at the school home on a course in starting and attending a nursery. We still have the hope that the acquired knowledge will gradually spread to nearby villages and that this project can be the start of an important process for the area, which may involve the creation of orchards in several villages and in the long run also reforestation.

Three of our kids, two boys and a girl, passed this year class 10. They will write their final exams, the so-called SLC (School Leaving Certificate) in April this year. Up to now eight children from KMCH who have done that SLC have been entitled to further studies. Thanks to support from The Society for Street Children in Nepal and the Family Olofsson Foundation all have been given the opportunity to continue their studies. Two of our students are studying in the Simikot, the capital of Humla and five in Kathmandu. One has completed his studies to be a teacher.

As has been mentioned in previous newsletters, we are gradually trying to make the living easier for the children. The plan for this year is to build a shower room and two new toilets.

KMCH SG has for several years received support of vital importance for the operations from The Olofsson Family Foundation. The New Hope Foundation has also supported us for several years. The firm of lawyers Fardnicklasson has supported us almost from the start. Extra income has come from the selling of the book "Solved on the spot. Men travel Together" by Pär Nord. However, the large number of donors is found among all individuals who have chosen to support us.

KMCH Support Group has been and still is the main sponsor of KMCH Nepal. Significant contribution to KMCH Nepal is coming from a group in Switzerland, Humla - Schweiz. Since some years The Adara Group also has supported KMCH Nepal. Adara Group is an Australian NGO that is one of the most important contributors to education and health care in Humla.



Work with the new waterpipes. All is done by hand.

Not so much snow on this photo, but a lot in Humla now.

Our head of the school home, Lakpa Nurbu Lama, was 2018 awarded a Letter of Appreciation for his contribution towards our children's school, Shree Mahabauddaha Secondary School. As we previously have reported, in 2017 the school was appointed to be one of Nepal's best schools in the so-called "remote areas". Both awards are an evidence of that even small organizations as KMCH can be appreciated for and feel as part of the development of Humla. It is very positive.

Losar -The Tibetan New Year.

On February the 5th we left the Earth Dog year 2145 and entered the Earth Pig year 2146. Losar is one of the most important festivals in the Tibetan cultural circle and thus also in the part of the Humla in which KMCH works. LOSAR is like a combination of Christmas Eve, New Year and birthday for us. No special birthdays are celebrated. All celebrations are concentrated to LOSAR.

Look at Pär's TEDx-Talk about his book "Solved on the Spot. Men travelling together"

The speech was held in Karlskrona in October 2018. Do you want to see it so use the address below or visit our website <u>www.KMCHumla.se?</u>

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dVy8HzLw0i4

New Year and thus time to renew your membership or become a new member of KMCH Support Group.

We are happy to see that more of our donors also become members of the association. It costs 100 SEK. Payment can be made separately or together with a gift, but do not forget to announce that you wish to become a member. Please also indicate your e-mail address.

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"Thank you" from one of our students.

Below you can read a letter from one of our students.

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Dear, Sponser,

Firstly, I would like to Say Toshi delek ond Nomaste to you all I and we know student are fine here and I also hope you all are fine there. To day I woomt to say heartfelt thomk to you all because of your support I get a opportunity of Study and you all Creente or big pocilities for children wheare born in very poor pomily you oil gives a big chome to us. You all always care or bout us. you all are like onmy parent, like my god. Who always love on Scare me. Support of you i passed the classes & to Bond Finorly This year sort I see sou left the know hostel but i remember my hostelilite all time. It is one memanopole moment for me. which is one importomt part of my life. In this 7 year i forced morny defficulties but it is very important for me. You all sponser are one rale model of the my life. You all help me to morke a strong base for my study. I am proma medium formily I have a small formily, mather and three sister, when i was sin years old my forther death. So they is no person, in my formily who com earns or money. There is econo. mical problem in my formily. I wome to continue my study optioned I want to be a great person, But economical pro Elemon my pomil i commot continue my study. You all are support me in pastomditions you will be Support me in Juture. Please he ip me to continue mushing offer my see exam. I want to continue my study like a one ther children thomk you very very much per your big contribution or Supporn on me and other children like me. Now i Stop writting and waiting for the reply from you, thonk you. Bye

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Greetings

from the board of

KMCH Support Group

by Hans



PS. On 16 April, a group of eight persons will go to Nepal to visit the school home. It will be exciting to meet all the children, now 67, and visit the school, the new health clinic and the monastery. Perhaps we can have the opportunity to challenge the monks on a match in volleyball. We have a revenge to demand. DS.

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