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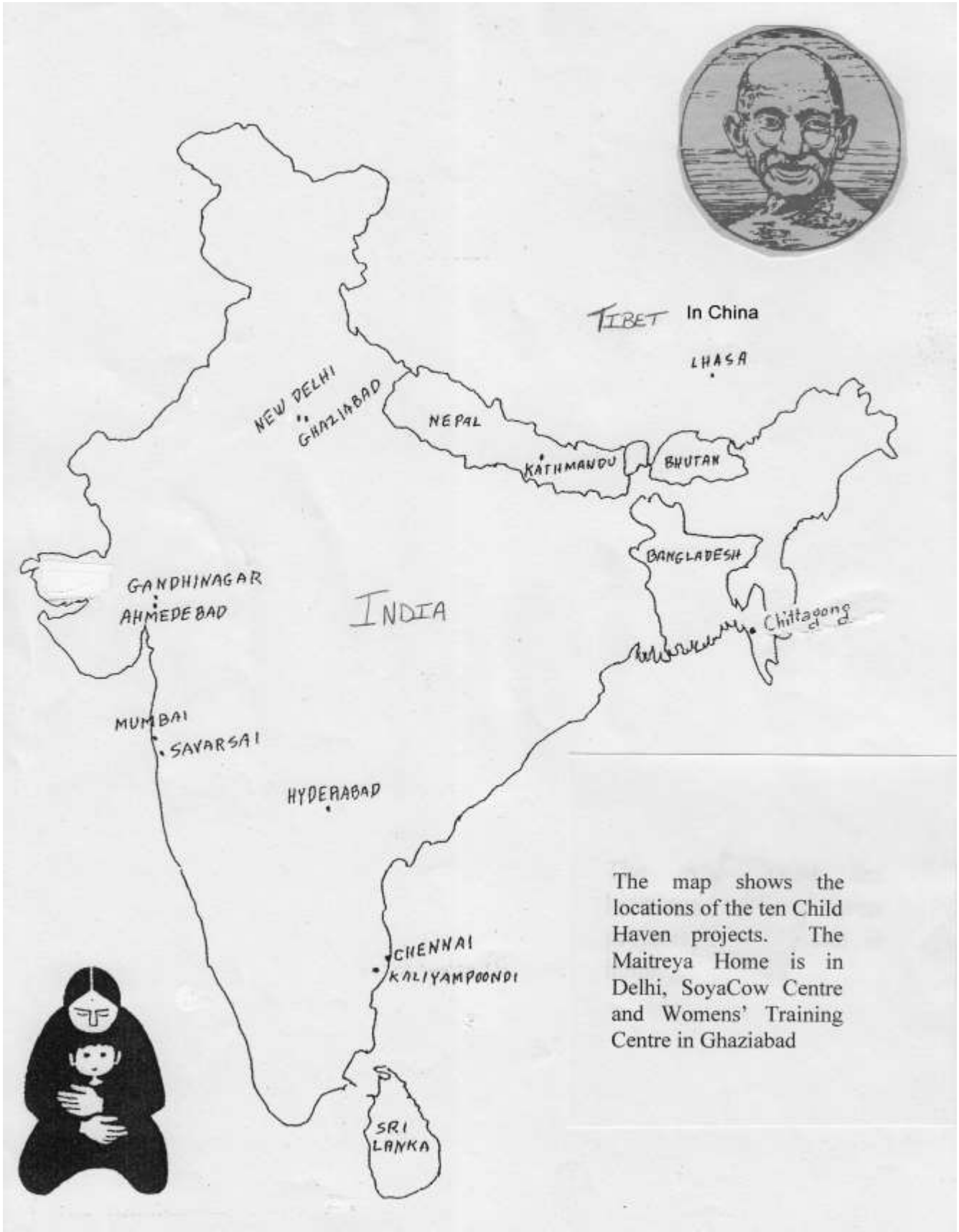
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Hyderabad – Some of our thesbian children hamming it up for Volunteer-Intern Pam Hellstrom on her recent visit to the Home.

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The map shows the locations of the ten Child Haven projects. The Maitreya Home is in Delhi, SoyaCow Centre and Womens' Training Centre in Ghaziabad

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Child Haven Homes

Meu (Gandhinagar), Gujarat, India 52 children 8 women, Language: Gujarati
Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, India 192 children 15 women, Language: Telegu
Kaliyampoondi, Tamil Nadu, India 297 children 35 women, Language: Tamil
Maitreya Foundation, New Delhi, India 24 children 1 woman, Language: Tibetan & Hindi
Savarsai, Maharashtra, India 48 children 4 women, Language: Mahrathi
Kathmandu, Nepal, 203 children 22 women, Language: Nepali
Tibet in China, sponsoring 14 children 4 women, Language: Tibetan
Chittagong, Bangladesh, 72 children 15 women, Language: Bengali
Ghaziabad, India (informal education) 30 children 50 women, Language: Hindi
Tribal Home, City of Pen, near Savarsai Home, 55 children, Mahrathi plus tribal languages
(Many other children are sponsored for education, but are not living in one of our Homes.)



Savarsai - Indika, age seven, shows how well she is able to climb the metal pole supporting the porch roof. She has learned to hold herself up using just her feet. This skill was doubtless perfected as she and other kids climbed and scoured the top-most branches of our mango trees for ripening fruit. During mango season there is no worry about mangoes on our trees over-ripening and going to waste as they are constantly monitored, by dozens of keen eyes, and harvested at the first hint of ripeness. Tiny Indika's dexterity and fearlessness in tree-climbing are now legendary.



Savarsai A highlight of Bonniema's recent trip was a play put on by Yogesh, Divya, Vijay and Manashi about saving girl children. Foeticide of female fetuses remains a wide-spread plague. While the use of ultrasound and subsequent operations for this purpose is strictly illegal, the practice persists. In Mumbai, the ratio of girls to boys is 874 to 1,000. An estimated 15 million girls were simply not born in India over the last decade. The play presents a family discussion on the impending birth of a girl child. At the conclusion of the play, Divya, age 16, gives an impassioned soliloquy in Marathi demanding to know why girl children are not wanted. She states, "Now, women are doctors, lawyers, engineers. We can do anything men can do. Plus we take better care of our parents. There is no reason for girls not to be born!" Purveyors of injustice take note – a new generation of truth-speakers is well on their way.

Tribal Children's Home - Nurse Shobha, right, resides at the Tribal Children's Home with her husband, Home Supervisor Sanjay. She is holding their daughter Mansi, the most beautiful baby in the world. She also works in a local Primary Health Center.



Below, reach to the sky for the Grand Finale of this dance by some of our girls for visiting guests. Being of shorter stature, their saris are tucked up around their waists.



Kaliyampoondi - Sivakumar has lived at Child Haven for the last several years. He is from a nearby village and is the first person from his village to receive his High School diploma. Several other children from the village have moved to the Home. The village is comprised of many very low-income families who struggle to make a living. Below are all the children from that village currently at our Home.







Kailyampoondi – After months of drought the rains finally came! (above) With 300 kids there is not always enough rain gear to go around, but luckily, the rain brings relief from the heat so a little wetness can be rather pleasant. We rely on the rains to replenish the wells. The new building continues to take shape (below). The girls will be moving into their new digs very soon!



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Thanks loads!!

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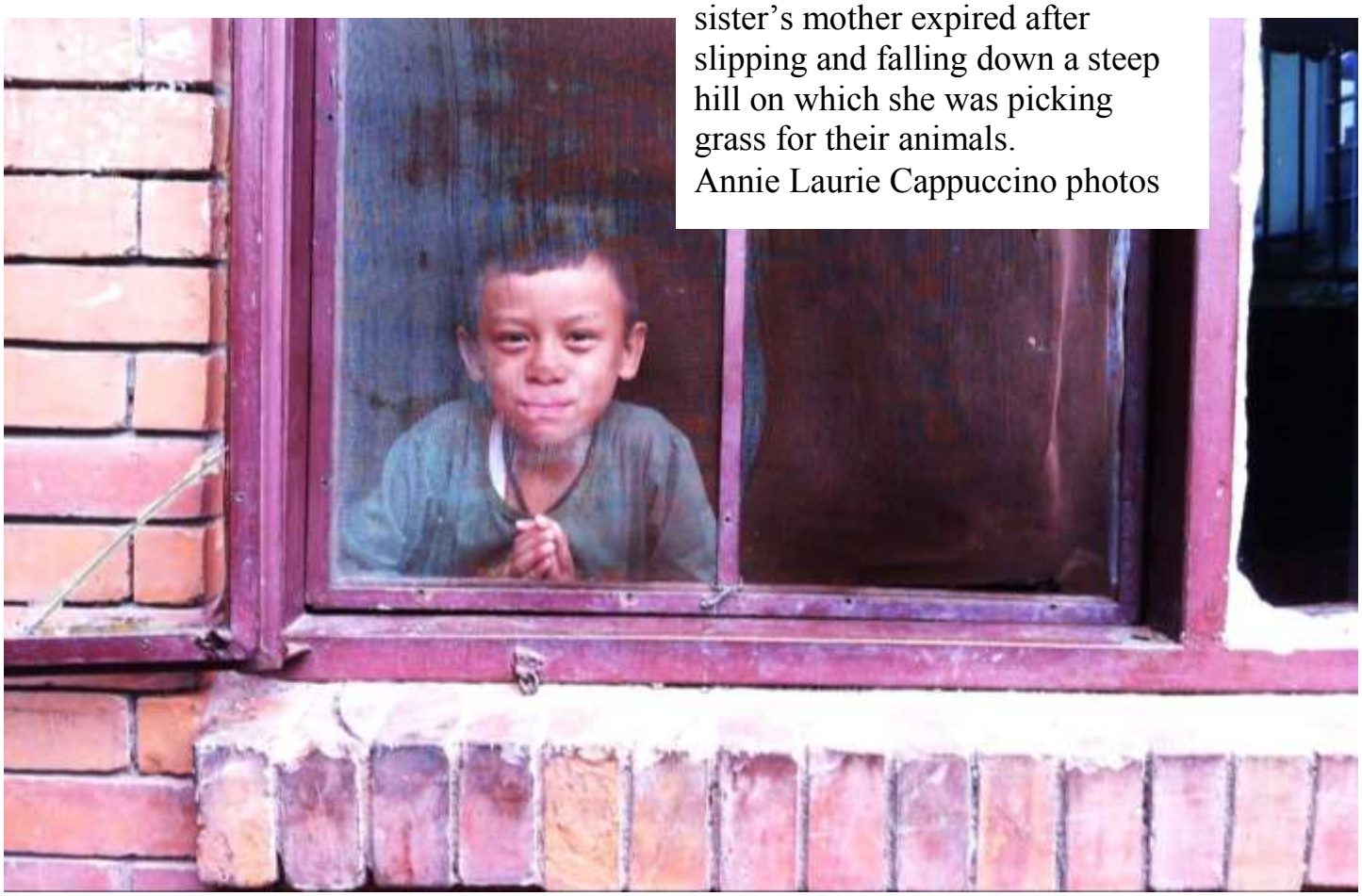
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To ensure you receive your 2014 tax receipt your contribution must be received by December 31.

If you made an earlier contribution and have not yet received your 2014 receipt please let us know.



Nepal – Ramita (above) loves to garden. She is taking good care of these beans, and the marigolds are coming along well also. Sudeep (below) and his older sister's mother expired after slipping and falling down a steep hill on which she was picking grass for their animals.
Annie Laurie Cappuccino photos





Nepal - Above, Ankita and Bimala playing a hand game. Bimala is in college and back at the Home for a visit. Below, long-time kitchen manager Badri, left, teaching Dipendra how to make soya-milk with the Home's SoyaCow. Dipendra will make two twelve liter batches every day. He has to work around the power outages that are scheduled every day in Kathmandu.





Nepal - Sahil studying during one of the two scheduled study periods at the Home. Sahil came to Child Haven as a little boy. His single mother is deaf and was not able to care for him. He is a good student.



Future scientists Nishanth and Raman conducting experiments on the dynamic viscosity and preternatural turbidity of rain-water on the roof of the Children's Home after a much appreciated shower on a sultry Kathmandu afternoon.



Meu, Gujarat - The Opening Ceremony for our new buildings in Meu were attended by Ramma and Deepak Kamra, (left above) whose family's generous donation made the construction possible. To Bonniema's right above is Kulwant Shah, who also attended with her husband, Dr. Nat Shah of Cornwall, Ontario, a Child Haven Founder and Canadian Board Member. Also on hand were many Child Haven All-India Board Members. The children performed some wonderful dances and songs, a few brief speeches were made and awards given to the Home's top scholars. The new space makes it possible to eventually double the number of children in our care in Gujarat. Among the 12 new children who have recently joined the Home are (left to right) Vijay and his sister Dharmistha. After their mother died, their father who is an itinerant farm-worker was unable to provide for them. Kalpash's mother died some time ago and his father more recently of tuberculosis.







BONNIE LORE

(an occasional column by her long- suffering husband)



Multi-purpose Purse

Bonnie has a big purse. It has band-aids, currency from seven different countries. It has tooth paste. It has a double dorji for power. It has some things she confiscated from her husband for fear he would lose them. These are buried near the bottom.

One day I put my foot down. I decided I had a right to search for my stuff - since she couldn't readily find it, and didn't want to waste time looking - she had more important things to do, like cooking supper.

So I got a sheet of paper and started listing the items in her purse: combs (4) toothbrushes (3), eye drops, [one eye doesn't close completely, so she must add drops several times a day].

I was getting confused looking down into the cavernous inside, so I took courage and dumped it all out on the table: old dollar bills (2), chopsticks (3 pair in paper cover unbroken), spare rings for her fingers, a key for the house where we lived in Maryland 48 years ago, a photo of Richard Gere with his hand on her shoulder [she said, "Mr Gere, I'll give you just 20 minutes to get your hand off my shoulder."] There is a tube of balm for a cow's udder [we had cows back in the last century].

That's just the purse she keeps at home. She has another one she takes to India. It's much heavier. She doesn't have time to sort out stuff, so she just dumps everything into the India purse - then adds stuff: her U.S. and Canadian passports; her travellers' cheques, a book or two, a small roll of duct tape in case the purse strap needs repair, an assortment of serviettes from various memorable events that still have some use in them, [she doesn't like to waste anything] She says if it's full of lots of stuff, nosy customs officials are less likely to find things she'd rather they didn't see. In India it's called the *Magic Bag* whatever you need is there.

Of course having a chivalrous husband she rarely has to carry the blooming thing, but then she always did take advantage. She knows I am totally enchanted with her.



Hyderabad - Cooks escape the heat of the rice and dal cooking in the kitchen by bringing greens out onto the dining hall porch to trim in the light breeze and get help from some of the children. Later in the day a water truck brings a load of drinking water to fill the reservoir in the courtyard, under the supervision of the littler boys. The water available from the town pipeline is suitable for washing and bathing but not pure enough to drink. Because of the multiplicity of these kinds of expenses for our 1,300 Child Haven children our monthly donations just barely meet monthly expenses in all our Homes.





Hyderabad – Bharath (left) was at the top of his class in Grade 5. He skipped a year and now is in Grade 7. He continues to do very well in school. He is holding Madhava, who is in Kindergarten. Madhava came after his mother died and he was found wandering door to door asking for food. His father is an alcoholic whose whereabouts are not known.

Below, our "dhobi" Dasarath and his wife get some help with clothes washing from Manoj. Treading a vat full of clothes in cold water can be refreshing on a hot day!





Bangladesh - Montessori teacher, Farzana Easmin, (above) helps some of her students learn from the materials in her classroom. Our Home's Montessori School goes up to Grade 4. Of the 55 children in the school, 20 are from our Home. The rest are children of rickshaw drivers, garment workers and other low-income members of the community who pay 78 taka, about a dollar, per month to attend the school which also includes lunch, school uniform, and books.

Child Haven also supports the education of 13 young people in the community. One of them, Namus Sakib (right) comes to visit with his father who lost a leg in a motor-cycle accident. Prior to the accident he had a thriving poultry business, but now struggles to make ends meet. Child Haven agreed to support Nazmus' college studies, and he has scored 86 on his recent exams.







Bangladesh - Rozena, Morium and Asmaul, the most beautiful baby in the world, (above) share the love.

Radhuan and Akkhar (left) do the same. It can be very comforting to have so many "siblings" when one feels alone.

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Mar 20	**Cornwall, ON**	Elaine MacDonald 613-938-7763
Mar 28	**Kingston, ON**	Andy Rush 613-542-6992 or 343-333-1974
Apr 11	**Calgary, AB**	Dave Greene 403-816-1705
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Apr 25	**Mississauga, ON**	Shyam Sheth & Leena Motwani 416-357-3478, Tushar Mehta 416-839-1938
Apr 26	**Waterloo, ON**	Deepti Celetti 519-846-0505, Carol Burrows 519-744-8449
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May 01	**Beaches, Toronto, ON**	Michelle Lalonde 416-699-5199
Sept 19	**Vancouver, BC**	Venilal & Lilaben Sisodraker 604-985-5540, Katherine Doyle & Ian Cameron 604-255-4077, Ron & Ann Perrick 604-929-6674, Yamini and Sam Gandesha 604-476-0264, Neelam & Narendra Amin 604-294-6759
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Sept 25	**Montreal, QC**	Sheila Laursen 514-697-4195 and Conny Belanger 514-542-3260
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Oct 03	**Edmonton, AB**	Sylvia Krogh 780-454-6216
Oct 15	**Comox/Courtenay, BC**	Heather Holm 250-338-2181
Oct 16	**Qualicum/Parksville, BC**	Leona Matte 250-752-7404
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Please check the web site for updates



Kaliyampoondi – Latha, Idhara and Meera are three of the cooks at our Kaliyampoondi Home responsible for feeding 300 children, 40 staff, numerous local senior orphans and guests three times a day!

CHILD HAVEN INTERNATIONAL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ended December 31, 2013

	General Fund	Endowment Fund	2013	2012
REVENUE				
Bequest	$ 22,000	$ -	$ 22,000	$ -
Canadian charities	59,638	-	59,638	91,921
Donations	1,353,282	1,352,303	2,705,585	1,083,543
Foreign exchange gain (loss)	15,066	-	15,066	(72)
Investment income (loss)	(98)	2,586	2,488	(3,765)
Net fundraising activities (Schedule 1)	179,602	-	179,602	100,237
	1,629,490	1,354,889	2,984,379	1,271,864
EXPENDITURES				
Amortization	3,438	-	3,438	4,643
Automotive	10,901	-	10,901	10,126
Bank charges	11,596	-	11,596	12,018
Canadian programs	9,485	-	9,485	14,775
Insurance	3,097	-	3,097	3,143
Newsletter	39,724	-	39,724	34,932
Office	66,482	-	66,482	48,778
Professional fees	2,000	-	2,000	2,000
Projects	209,525	-	209,525	251,033
Telephone	4,217	-	4,217	4,304
Training	399	-	399	516
Travel	81,074	-	81,074	85,984
Wages, benefits and contract services	186,338	-	186,338	177,012
	628,276	-	628,276	649,264
SURPLUS BEFORE TRANSFERS	1,001,214	1,354,889	2,356,103	622,600
TRANSFERS TO FOREIGN ORGANIZATIONS (Note 4)	747,525	-	$ 747,525	698,233
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	253,689	1,354,889	1,608,578	(75,633)
FUND BALANCE, beginning of year	93,445	-	93,445	169,078
FUND BALANCE, end of year	$ 347,134	$ 1,354,889	$ 1,702,023	$ 93,445

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OVERSEAS INTERNS NEEDED:

We have space for more volunteers who will pay their own travel and commit three to six months interning in India, Nepal or Bangladesh.

Please contact our office in Maxville: fred@childhaven.ca or 613-527-2829.

A $50 fee covers processing costs and your attendance at a two day orientation in Maxville. An additional $200 donation to partially cover overseas room and board is also asked of first-time Interns.

Fred Cappuccino's notes on the 2013 Financial Statement:

The **Travel** item is monies paid by our Volunteer Interns for their travel to and from India. It is put through our account so they can receive a tax receipt for it. It is not money Child haven can use any other way.

The Fund Balance (last line) is due to "year end transfers," monies donated in one year and spent in the next. It does not mean that we had that much extra that e could use.

The entire eleven page Audited Statement is on our web site.



$\mathcal{MVP}$ – (Manav Vikas Parishad – a local NGO funded entirely by Child Haven)
Measuring out a pattern at our tailoring program for women in Ghaziabad (above) while below hand treadle (left), and foot treadle (right) sewing machines are used.









Tibet in China- Bonniema with Suu Yang Ani, (above) Like many Buddhist nuns, Suu Yang Ani became homeless when her convent was closed by government authorities. Child Haven has provided her with some small support for many years to supplement the small income she received as a spinner and seamstress. We currently support several senior orphans, and the education and living expenses of 17 children.

To the left, flowers blooming in one of the Buddhist nunneries in Lhasa that was not closed.



Maitreya Home – Above, the children look down from the balconies of the 2nd and 3rd floors, and roof-top of their new Home. Below, Rene, Annie-Laurie and Bonniema Cappuccino with Dakpa Rinpoche, Pam Hellstrom, and Konchok sitting on the roof with the five recent high-school graduates at the Home.





Maitreya - Tashi Yangzom holding the most beautiful baby in the world, Dhundup Sengay

Let me light my light, says the star,
And never debate if it will dispel the dark

Rabindranath Tagore



Nepal - Sundira holding the most beautiful baby in the world, her little brother Sushant. Their mother Mina is a care-giver at the Home. Sushant has special powers. Don't look at him for more than three seconds or he will be able to look into your soul. He knows whether you are going to donate to Child Haven. But, alas, he won't tell us until he learns to talk.

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