

Tet Celebration — Join Us!

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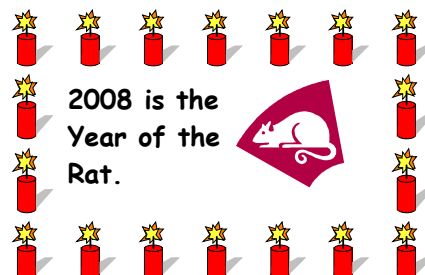
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On Saturday February 2nd the Vietnam Fellowship Group will host a Tet Celebration and Silent Auction Fundraiser for Paul's Kids. Join us from 12-5 p.m. at the Goshen Fire Company Hall at 1320 Park Avenue in West Chester, PA.

Bring your family and friends and join us to celebrate the Vietnamese New Year! Green Papaya Restaurant from Exton will cater a Vietnamese lunch buffet including appetizers, entrees, desserts, and sodas.

To request an invitation, please email: Brenda@paulskids.org. We hope to see you there!



Paul's Corner ...

Since we last spoke, many wonderful things have happened. We continue to change the lives of children in Vietnam. Thanks to our friends and donors, we have been able to sponsor 15 more students in Tho Thanh Village. The entire Pinkerton Family journeyed out to Tho Thanh for the Presentation Ceremony. It was a great experience for all. We enjoyed 2 days at the village and the village enjoyed having us.

Two weeks later, the new soccer field was opened to hundreds of excited children. Even the adults were excited, happy, and thankful. To show off

the new facility, Tho Thanh Village invited eight neighboring villages to come for a weekend of fun and games. It was truly remarkable what was done to that area to make it not only safe, but quite beautiful.

We also opened a second physical training room. This one in the orphanage at Bien Hoa. Almost all of the children there have a handicap of some sort and many of them will now be able to receive therapy to help improve their lives. Many of the children were present at the ribbon cutting ceremony and a really good time was had by all.

On Dec.27, 2007, thanks to a wonderful family who donated \$5,000 and said "Just do something nice." Paul's Kids was able to sponsor our first (of many I hope) open heart surgeries. The recipient was 2-year-old Tran Anh Thang from Tho Thanh. Without this surgery, his life expectancy was only about 10-12 years. Now, he has a bright future with a full life ahead of him.

Thanks to all of you, we continue to succeed. We together are changing and now saving lives.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You!

Life saving heart surgery for two year old boy!
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Stories of the Heart

Tran Anh Thang



On December 27th, 2007 Paul's Kids sponsored our first open heart surgery in Vietnam. The recipient of the surgery was Tran Anh Thang - a two-year-old boy, from a poor family in Tho Thanh village. This operation was essential to give him any hope of surviving past the age of 12.

Paul's Kids funded the entire operation – including flying Thang, his father, and his grandfather to Ho Chi Minh City for testing and pre-operation exams, and the completion of the procedure. Thang is expected to live a healthy, full, long life now!

Thank you to the family who so generously gave the money to save Thang's life!!!

Phu Ly Chen



Jeff with Phu, her mother and grandmother.



Phu Ly Chen, a seven-year-old girl from Cambodia who came to the Heart Institute in Vietnam, desperately needed heart surgery and her mother asked Paul's Kids for help. This need speaks directly to our mission – to help needy children in Vietnam. So, within a few hours Paul's Kids arranged the funds needed for the little girl to get the procedure.

Jeff Grimshaw, Chairman and Co-founder of Paul's Kids, met with the mother and doctors of Phu Ly Chen. She has three defects: ASD, VSD, and pulmonary stenosis. With Paul's Kids funds lined up, the surgery is now scheduled and we'll have results, photos, and assessment of additional need very soon.

Jeff said "Phu's mother was very, very, VERY grateful. It was very moving and I was thrilled to have the opportunity to represent Paul's Kids here today."

"...1700 children on the waiting list for heart surgery."

**How Can
YOU
Save the
Life of a
Child?**

Currently there are 1700 children on the waiting list for heart surgery. Only 200 children per month will get the operation they require because they do not have the funds to pay for the procedures.

Your donation of any size can be directed towards a life-saving procedure. Depending on the severity of the congenital heart issue, surgery & expenses can cost between \$1000—\$5000.

You will not only be changing a life—you will SAVE A LIFE!

Success Stories

Goal!



During the last week in November, with funds and materials supplied by Paul's Kids, the entire village chipped-in to complete construction of the new soccer field in Tho Thanh village.

The village proudly hosted a soccer tournament December 1st and 2nd. More than one thousand children from eight surrounding villages in the Nghe An province attended the historic event to see and play on the field.



New Soccer Field

The new area is surrounded by a wall to keep out the water buffalo and is large enough to contain two soccer fields. It will give the young soccer players of Tho Thanh village a safe place to play their beloved game of football. It will also give the village a great place to hold other community projects and functions.

15 More Scholarships

In late November, Paul had the privilege of returning to Tho Thanh and presented 15 more Spanky Scholarships to needy children in the village. Similar to the first Spanky Scholarship ceremony a few months ago, the village and all the parents of the scholarship recipients gathered for the presentation.

All of us at Paul's Kids join the students and their families in thanking the sponsors who are funding these 15 special children. You are truly changing lives.

To date we have 65 children being sponsored with scholarships. Sponsors and children have started corresponding through letters and photos. The children will be receiving additional school supplies as a gift to celebrate Tet.



Nov. Scholarship Recipients

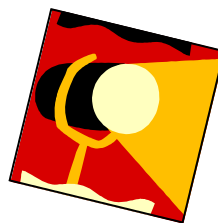
Bien Hoa Exercise Room

On December 7, Paul's Kids proudly opened a physical therapy room at Bien Hoa orphanage. More than 50 handicapped children and staff attended the opening and everyone had a wonderful time playing, singing, and dancing. The children especially enjoyed trying the new exercise equipment. A good time was truly had by all! This room will be used daily for physical therapy and rehabilitation for many of the 250 children who call Bien Hoa home.



Therapy Room

Thanks to all the sponsors and supporters of Paul's Kids these children will be able to improve their health with access to the new exercise room.



Spotlight on Our Sponsors...

Despite physical disabilities and lack of funds, Nguyen Thi Hoa desperately wanted to continue her education. Thanks to a generous donation from Cathy & Mike Tyska, Hoa's wish came true. She can now finish her three remaining years of high school!

Many thanks!!!

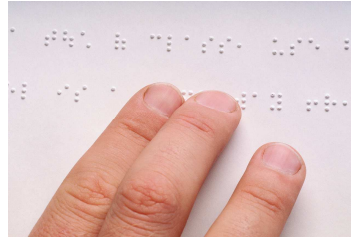


Current Opportunities

Therapy Room: Da Nang

After the enormous success of the Paul's Kids-sponsored physical therapy and rehabilitation rooms at the Go Vap and Bien Hoa orphanages, other orphanages around the country are taking notice. The need is great and Paul's Kids is here to help! We are now raising funds to sponsor a new physical therapy room in Da Nang.

Helping the Blind



Paul's Kids is helping improve the lives of people in Tho Thanh village who live with blindness. Many of them do not have basic equipment needed to get by day-to-day. We are looking for sponsors to fund canes, Braille study books, and audible equipment such as talking watches.

You can designate where your donation is used ...follow your heart

Spanky Scholarships

You can still sponsor a child this school year! Your \$100 donation will allow a boy or girl to have their tuition paid, receive a book bag, school books, supplies, and new school clothes.

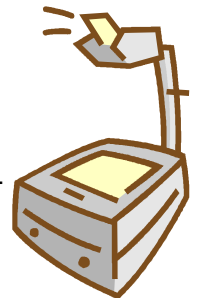
You'll receive photos/updates of your child and you may also exchange letters and visit the child. Make a difference in the life of a child!

Contact heather@paulskids.org



Classroom Materials

Paul's Kids is seeking sponsors to help supply classrooms at the Ho Tong Thoc primary school in Tho Thanh with supplies and equipment. Funds will go to purchasing materials such as new desks, benches/chairs, and study books. Projectors would be especially valuable for the teachers to display classroom material since not all children have the study books.



Painting the School



Paul's Kids needs volunteers to help apply a new coat of paint to the primary school in Tho Thanh during summer 2008.

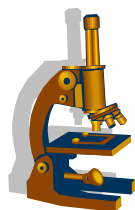
Wheelchairs

A friend of Paul's who is also a Vietnam Veteran, has committed to providing over 200 wheel chairs in support of Paul's Kids. He and his family hope to travel in the spring to hand-out the customized wheelchairs. We are most grateful for your generosity!

Current Opportunities (continued)

New Science Classrooms

Paul's Kids wants to build and furnish two new science classrooms for the Ho Tong Thoc school in Tho Thanh. We need to raise \$18,000 USD to make this happen. There are



approximately 950 students in grades 6,7,8, and 9 in this school that would benefit greatly!

Tho Thanh Handicapped Shelter

A run-down shelter for handicapped children in the Tho Thanh village desperately needs rebuilding. Paul's Kids needs to raise \$40,000 USD to purchase a new piece of land and rebuild a more accommodating facility.



Giang Headed to University

During a recent trip to Vietnam, Paul traveled to Tho Thanh village and visited the home of Nguyen Thi Giang to share with her the good news - Paul's Kids will fund her sponsorship to the University next year! She and her family were very happy to hear this news.

Nguyen Thi Giang made a promise to Paul, "I will not to disappoint my sponsors and will study very hard to become a teacher." Paul and all of us at Paul's Kids know that she will stay true to this promise. She and her parents send a big THANK YOU to Paul's Kids and the two sponsoring families who have made her dream of becoming a teacher a reality.

We still need to raise \$2,500 for Giang for the rest of her University years. Can you help her become a teacher so she can return to her village and teach others?

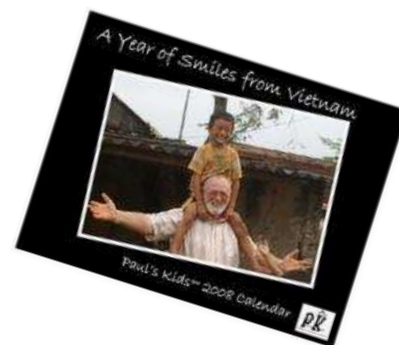
Samaritan Medal

Paul and Sandy Receive Samaritan Medal for Peace and Humanitarian Achievement



On Saturday, December 29, 2007 Paul and Sandy were presented with an award from The Samaritan Medal Foundation in honor of their great work and everything Paul's Kids is doing for children in Vietnam.

The Samaritan Medal for Peace and Humanitarian Achievement is awarded for distinguished service, and Paul and Sandy are appreciative and humbled by the recognition. Paul says, "Sandy and I are honored, and receiving this award made today a great day for us and Paul's Kids."



All Smiles in 2008

To celebrate the New Year, Paul's Kids is giving back to its donors with a year of smiles! "A Year of Smiles from Vietnam" is a 2008 calendar featuring 12 months of the smiling faces of children you helped last year. When you donate \$25 or more to Paul's Kids this year - you'll receive this special gift. But don't wait too long to get your 365 days of smiles, there's a limited number left!

Donate / Volunteer

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To Make a Donation:

On-line: at www.paulskids.org

By mail: payable to "Paul's Kids"

Attn: Amy Amundson

Paul's Kids

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Volunteer Opportunities:

- Partnership development
- Grant research and writing
- Host a fundraising event...wine and cheese party, walkathon, golf tournament, online auctions, spaghetti dinner, Tastefully Simple or other home party.

Questions? Contact brenda@paulskids.org

Help Paul's Kids

By Shopping!

Donate money to Paul's Kids when shopping online. Sign up at iGive.com and select Paul's Kids as your cause by using the following link:

<http://www.iGive.com/PaulsKids>

Over 680 online stores are currently participating and Paul's Kids can earn up to 26% of each purchase without costing you anything.

Support Paul's Kids by Searching!

GoodSearch.com is a new way you can help support Paul's Kids just by searching the Internet (it doesn't cost you anything!). Instead of using Google or Yahoo to search the Internet, just visit GoodSearch.com and type in Paul's Kids as the charity you'd like to support. Then, every time you do a search using GoodSearch, it will donate a penny to Paul's Kids.

Our Mission:

Help Needy kids in Vietnam—especially those in orphanages who are unlikely to be adopted. Our projects focus on improving living conditions, medical care, educational opportunities, and overall quality of life.



Comments/ Suggestions/ Questions?

We would love to hear from you! Contact heather@paulskids.org

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