

SLEEPING CHILDREN AROUND THE WORLD

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NEWSLETTER 1985

1970-1985. Yes, SCAW has reached an historic milestone. On August 17, 1970, I distributed the first 50 kits to an Anglican Church Orphanage, (St. Crispins) in Poona, India. Since that time we have put 85,500 children into bed in 18 countries. At the time of my Retirement Dinner I projected a target of one million dollars. We have long since surpassed this figure and are now shooting for one million kits, and with your help we will achieve this, too.

For the first time in 14 years I was unable to make the long distribution trip. With Margaret in ailing health I just did not want to get trapped somewhere in the boondocks of the developing world. Again, friends and donors rallied to our support ... prayers were answered. **Dr. Gordon Brown** and his wife, **June**, from Essex, went again and took with them **Jim and Bette Sergeant** from Tillsonburg to form Team #1. Then two weeks later, **John and Marjorie Quinney** from Strathroy followed, taking **Mabel Wilmut** from Westmount, Quebec, and **Nancy Martin**, from Thunder Bay. Each Team covered 3 countries and distributed 4,500 kits. Rotary, Kiwanis, Jesuits and the Salvation Army were the co-operating agencies. All in all, the distributions were successful with less photographic 'biffs' than normal. They had some rugged experiences (**Jim** lost 27 pounds!), but all expressed a desire to do it again sometime. We are so thrilled to have such dedicated people coming to our rescue and hope more of you will offer. So many people do travel anyway, but selfishly. Here is an opportunity for humanitarian travel. I guarantee you will feel better about yourself for having done it. Again, the requisites are: love of children, knowledge of photography, and able to cope with the physical, emotional and financial demands. While accommodation and meal costs are quite modest, air fares are not. The total fares for the eight were in excess of \$31,000. - all paid personally and without tax deduction consideration. I am real proud of them. (Cabinet Ministers, Federal and Provincial, take note!)

Again, we owe the media a great debt of gratitude. Recent "block buster" articles by **Jane Anderson** in the **Christian Science Monitor**; by **Frank Jones** in the **Toronto Star**, and by **Dan Proudfoot** in the **Toronto Sun** brought us significant donations. The **Heart Beat** programme on **CTV** reminded so many old donors that we were still functioning. We appreciate, too, publicity extended by almost countless newspapers and periodicals with lesser circulations.

Service clubs, schools, churches, and the corporate provide the bulk of our multiple donations, but 75% of our donors are still 'one-bedders' who send us \$25 each year. We continue to send \$28 to the supporting agencies, relying on bank interest, sales at our family day **Christmas Tree Drag**, which last year represented \$9,860., plus \$1,363. from **Lakeshore Kiwanis** who operated the Refreshment Stand.

Apropos - our book **"With God, Nothing Is Impossible"**, will finally be released in early June. Here, again, as with our son **Ken's** book, we hope to raise money for SCAW on its sale, plus royalties. The hard cover edition sells at \$19.95 and in soft cover, \$14.95. Cheques should be made out to SCAW and marked "book". All books will be autographed by us if desired and mailed Prepaid.

A word about the "toques". You almost buried us! They came at us in every color and design, and from every corner of Canada. When we encountered a real problem in getting them airlifted to the Himalayas and discovered mailing to be exorbitantly expensive, we had to silence the knitting needles. Only in late January were we able to get them in a container destined for **Mother Teresa** in Calcutta. They were able to squeeze them in the cracks and crevices between the foodstuffs. Next winter's distribution through the Jesuits will hopefully show 1,500 children sporting this warm and colorful headgear! Thanks again for your beautiful display of love. I wish we could find a way to send some more.

There are so many to thank. We appreciate your thoughtfulness in tucking in the odd stamp with your donation. Self-addressed envelopes for receipts also help. Please give us your zip code. Let us know if you do not receive your receipt by January 31st. It is not always our fault. We are indebted

to **Michael Landgraff** for volunteering to do a new logo for SCAW. Thanks to **Russ Cosman** of the **Printing House** in Islington for continuing to print and donate our receipt forms. We have been on the receiving end of envelopes, record books and felt marking pens. Away back in 1978 we carried back an Indonesian style slumber kit from the Central Celebes. Since that time it has been used in hundreds of presentations and loaned out to various groups, and it had become bruised and battle-scarred. **Peggy Girvan** of Weston came to our rescue in completely replacing the casing, as well as providing a carrying bag for it. Just another nice gesture from a SCAW friend.

Brian Martin, Principal, and staff of **Father Sullivan's Catholic School** at Brampton, broke records for the third time in their annual **"Christian Focus on Christmas"** programme, raising sufficient money to put 524 needy children into bed. This school has also been instrumental in spreading the good word to numerous other schools who have in turn adopted this project.

Many of our donors remark favourably about the happy faces of these children all "toggled out" in their new kit. Occasionally, though, we do get a letter almost decrying that they look so good and wondering if they really are needy. This thinking puzzles us. It seems some would prefer us to reveal everything a la TV documentary. We steadfastly refuse to use the shock approach and destroy the dignity of a child by displaying its puny, scarred body with the distended belly. Our policy will continue to stress the positive and we are sure you will agree with us in this regard.

Margaret and I wish it were possible to write a personal acknowledgement of your kind and thoughtful letters. Every day we make a rush for the mail, and let me tell you, your messages are real "buckeruppers!" More and more donations are being made "In memory, birthday greetings, wedding anniversaries, birth of a first grandchild, graduation congratulations, Christmas, children who have everything". Would you please be specific with your label instructions?

Reports From Teams 1 and 2 re: 1985 SCAW Distribution - The following are letters from our Teams who delivered 9,000 kits earlier this year:

"April/85 - Dear Murray - Our second trip has also been rewarding. It is interesting to go a second time to fill in details of the first. We had heard of the work the **Rotarians** are doing around Bombay. This year we saw more evidence of it. We saw again the dedication of the **Salvation Army** in Indonesia. And the **Kiwanians** in the Philippines are providing much needed assistance. There was less begging on the streets of Bombay; however, just as much poverty. The children at one school in Palu, Indonesia, sang their national anthem for us. It is a very stirring anthem. When we heard of the devastation caused by the eruption of a volcano in the Philippines, I wondered if we should give all our allotment in that area. Then we went to where a fire had wiped out many homes. It is difficult to decide who needs us more. The bedkits in each country were excellent, meeting many physical needs. In Palu the children were given two T-shirts; one was printed with **YESUS TERANG DUNIA**, meaning "Jesus, the light of the world", the other **YESUS - JURU SELAMAT - "Jesus Saves"** - emphasizing the spiritual need. Giving bedkits to children is an expression of love. It gives us much pleasure to be there and represent that love. Sincerely, (signed: Marjorie Quinney)."

"1985-04-11 - My first trip to India, Indonesia, and the Philippines as part of the SCAW distribution team was an experience I will always remember. Three things stand out in my mind: (1) The immense need in these countries for something as basic as a sleeping kit. The 4,500 kits we distributed put into action the Christophers motto: **It is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness.** (2) The dedication of the **Rotarians** in Bombay, the **Salvation Army** in Indonesia, and the **Kiwanians** in the Philippines, through whom we distributed the kits. Their genuine concerns for their less fortunate countrymen was awe-inspiring. (3) The children themselves, and their parents and guardians. There is no language barrier to the expression of gratitude. Their appreciation was very evident when they would come to us, touch their heart, and then either shake hands with us or bow to us. There was also no greediness, no "gimme-itis" among them. In many, perhaps most, instances several children in the family would benefit from the kit, and we could see that the sharing would be done with love. **God bless all our donors.** Sincerely, (signed: Mabel Wilmut)."

"April 9/85 - I return to Canada very grateful for the opportunity to have been involved with **"Sleeping Children Around the World"**. In Bombay we had a very busy week, from 7 am to midnight each day, but a very rewarding one also, while working with the **Rotary Club** there. One of the things that struck me was the extent of the poverty, but meeting the children and their families and seeing the joy and gratitude on receiving the kits was truly heartwarming. Also, being able on some occasions to share with them about **St. Andrew School** and our interest in them through our small donation was a good experience.

In Indonesia the distribution went very smoothly through the organization efforts of the **Salvation Army** team. 1,500 kits were distributed in 3 days, a marvellous feat in such rugged conditions! We had a few exciting adventures getting to our points of distribution. Not only did we go over river beds, but once one wheel of the land rover went right through a poorly constructed bridge, just after we finished a very large distribution in one of the villages. The next day we travelled up a mountain in the pouring rain on a very narrow, treacherous road to Wayu, along which we kept sliding in the mud, fearful of going over the edge of the mountain. However, we arrived safely to distribute over 300 kits to children who had walked for **two days from areas not accessible by road.**

In the Philippines (working with the **Kiwanis**, also a fine group of people), the distribution went very smoothly, with 300 kits given out each day for 5 days. On one of those days we left very early in the morning from Manila to fly to Lagazpe, where there had been a volcano eruption in October, followed by mud flows in January due to rain. The mud, along with huge boulders, simply covered everything in its path and many families and homes were lost. Three hundred children who were victims of this disaster received kits that day - a very excited group they were!

This just touches on a few of the highlights of our trip. In my mind, there was certainly no doubt as to the need of all the recipients. I was also impressed by the commitment and dedication of the **Rotary, Salvation Army and Kiwanis Clubs** responsible for the extensive organization needed on their part in their various countries.

It was such a privilege to be part of the Distribution Team with **John, Marjorie and Mabel**, and also to be able to meet the **Browns and Sergeants** in Bombay. I took most of the pictures on our team and some of the conditions were not always the best, so I hope they turn out reasonably well. Congratulations, **Murray and Margaret**, on the work you're doing, and thanks again for the chance to share in it. Sincerely, (signed: Nancy Martin)".

"I am happy to report to our many supporters that with the help of my wife, **June**, and **Jim and Betty Sergeant**, we have witnessed the distribution of 4,500 sleeping kits in India, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka in February and March, 1985. The mountain area of northern India, because of the extreme cold as well as the poverty, continues to be a priority area for our help. The work of the staff at the **Jesuit Mission** in planning and co-ordinating the distributions deserves an A+!!

Our work in Bangladesh was ably carried out by the **Rotary Club of Dacca**. The need there is great but somewhat more difficult to reach the needy because of the terrific concentration of people. Crowd control is a problem. I must take this opportunity to say hats off to **Rotary International**. We were housed in **Rotary** homes and had the utmost in hospitality extended to us. They were our vehicle for the program in **Hubli and Ranibennur**, where the planning and the quality of the kits were indications of a job well done.

In **Sri Lanka** the **Inner Wheel (Wives of Rotarians)** intricately planned a week of distributions in 13 different locations, one of which was a refugee camp where a few hundred people, driven out of the northern part of the island by the Tamils - had taken refuge in a Catholic Church. They were sleeping on the cement floor. Ninety of these families had witnessed their husbands and fathers lined up and shot. A water truck came in once a day, as well as a food truck. We had only 100 kits for this great need. Our hearts really went out to these people!

As a general overview of the areas that we covered we could see considerable effort being put forth by good people with means to help those less fortunate by providing medical services and education on a voluntary basis. Many small industries have been established to provide work. Progress is slow - our help will be needed for years to come. **After seeing how these people have to live, we came back feeling that God has been very good to us.** Home has never looked so good to us before! (signed: June and Gordon Brown)."

Dear Murray and Margaret: We are just back after 5 weeks in India, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka. We want to thank you for the privilege of helping you with the distribution this year. We talk of our working poor in Canada, and it is certainly a struggle in life; but when you have nothing - and the future holds nothing - that is the kind of poor we were seeing!

From Dacca, Bangladesh on February 19th we wrote: "We landed in Delhi and were promptly given the culture shock treatment. Ten million people, and I'm sure they were all on the streets at once. So little regard for life and the beauty and wholesomeness of living. Women on construction work carrying

the loads of stone for excavations on their heads or their backs. Hundreds of thousands with nothing to do."

Then we flew north and east to Darjeeling in the Himalayas, where we froze and never had our clothes off from Sunday to Sunday. I had 8 layers of clothes on and the poor wretched souls standing in front of us had rags, dirty from age, and half shoes on their feet! We distributed 528 kits the first day. We saw cleft palates like you couldn't believe - gaping holes in their faces. Other days it would be scabies or rickets. 60% of the people have TB of the spine or lungs. The last 3 days we have been in unbelievable Calcutta. Went to Mother Teresa's yesterday. Much world money goes there, and I think it is better to send the help in the north where they are short of medicine and clothing. At least in Calcutta, they don't have the cold to contend with all year.

Today at Dacca we were met at the airport by some **Rotarians** (and some beggars). The beggars are in the thousands. The slogan over here is **"give me a rupee and I eat for a day; teach me to weave, and I eat for a lifetime"**.

Murray, we would be remiss if we didn't say something about our **contact people** in these 3 countries. The work they did in assembling the kits, getting the names of the recipients, delivering the kits and looking after us when we arrived was just phenomenal. We can't name them as space wouldn't allow it, but we say a big **"THANKS"** to all of them.

The difficulties that we experienced were over-shadowed by the warmth of the people. This program is so well known that when we would go to a village or a school, they would crowd around us putting garlands of flowers on us and greeting us with bands, dancers or choirs. Even though their wealth is not measured in terms of money, they had so much more to offer in warmth and affection in showing their gratitude.

We would love to go back again to help with the distribution another year. They certainly need all the help that we can give. Best regards, (signed: Jim and Bette Sergeant).

April 12, 1985 - Dear Murray:

Marjorie and I are just back home after our 2nd year of encircling the globe for **"Sleeping Children Around the World"**. A rewarding journey! Our team of 4, which included 2 school teachers, **Nancy Martin** from Thunder Bay, and **Mabel Wilmut**, from Montreal, left on February 14th for Bombay, India, our first distribution area. We provided 1,500 beds to children in the slum areas of Bombay and Nagpur assisted by **Rotary District 314** under the direction of **Gov. Jyotindra Vakil and Chairman Manohar Advani**.

We made an exploratory trip to Bangkok and Thailand with a tentative plan of 500 kits for next year. A nervous country at this time - trying desperately to protect its border from invaders.

Moving on, we landed at Jakarta, Indonesia. We were met by **Captain Roy Frans** of the **Salvation Army** and transferred on the first domestic flight the following day to Palu Celebes. We distributed 1,500 beds to the children of the primitive people in the rugged jungles of Sulawesi. We have tremendous respect for the **Salvation Army** there, including **Captain and Mrs. Abner Laua, Captain and Mrs. Matsari, Lt. Made Petrus**.

Our next objective was Manila and the Philippines, where our agent was the **Kiwanis Club**, under **Gov. Rafael A. Lo** of the Luzon district. We gave 1,500 beds to the children referred to as the squatters effectively assisted by **Chairman Ronaldo E. Calinawan, Lt. Gov. Benito F. Trinidad Jr., and District Secretary Crisanto B. Baclagon**. Included here were 300 beds in the province of Legaspi area, where the devastating volcano erupted last Fall leaving thousands homeless. The sleeping kits in all countries were of excellent quality with up to 15 items in each one. Certainly full value for the \$28.00 Canadian we provided.

We recall so many exciting and satisfying experiences encountered in each of the countries we serviced this year - India, Thailand, Philippines and Sulawesi, Indonesia. Every country is hoping and praying we will return again next year. The respect and esteem that **SCAW** has developed in the eighteen Third World Countries that it has serviced is tremendous. This mission to S.E. Asia again in 1985 for **SCAW** has been the highlight of our experiences. It is a marvellous project and a challenging undertaking in the international scene. We appreciate the opportunity of being part of the program. Sincerely, (signed: John F. Quinney, Strathroy, Ontario.)

The following is a letter received from one of our **organizers in India**:

Dear Mr. Dryden: On behalf of the **Inner Wheel Club of Colombo**, I wish to express our sincere thanks and gratitude to you for channelling the distribution of the 1,000 Sleeping Kits to the needy little ones in our country.

Mrs. Pali Guantilike, a past president of our club, explained the project to the members of the club and formed a **SCAW Committee** consisting of eight members; namely, **Rotarian Richard & Pali Guantilike, Rotarian Kenneth and Bernie Abeywickreme, Rotarian Hugh and Dawn Fernando, Dushy Wickramanayake and L.** The secretary, **Mrs. Jean Fernando**, and the Treasurer, **Mrs. Kamala Nadesan**, were coopted as ex-officio members. It was quite an experience selecting, purchasing, collecting and organizing the stitching of the various garments in a short space of time. The stitching of the garments was farmed out to various organizations such as the **Salvation Army** and the **vocational training centre of a Buddhist Temple**. Finally, we enlisted the support of the **Red Cross Society** to store the goods and assemble the kits. The members of our Club supervised and assembled the kits.

My husband and I are very happy to have been associated in this project. It was, indeed, a pleasure to have provided home hospitality to **Jim and Betty Sergeant**. Mr. Dryden, our humble home is always open to you or your friends whenever you wish to visit our country. I trust **Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sergeant and Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Brown** have taken back very pleasant memories of our beautiful island. The members of the **Inner Wheel Club** extend a warm welcome to you, and we trust you will visit us sometime in the near future. Thanking you, with kind regards,

Yours in Inner Wheel,
President, Inner Wheel Club of Colombo.

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1st March, 1985.

Dear Murray,

All is well that ends well. All the 1500 Kits allocated by you to Dist 314 have been given to needy and deserving children.

John was a little worried whether we would be in a position to distribute your generous donated quantity of 1500 slumber kits and kept on telling me that he did not want any surprise on the last day - and we did not give him any.

John and Marjorie Quinney make a very fine team. They are simply tireless and this work of slumber kits is very close to their heart. Even though Marjorie had a cold, she just kept on working. On most days, our work day was from 7 in the morning till around midnight. They were ably supported by Nancy Martin and Mabel Wilmut.

If I may be permitted to say so myself, the slumber kits put together by us were excellent. We had the following items in each kit.

- 1 Good Quality Mattress
- 1 Pillow
- 2 Bed Sheets
- 2 (1 set of 2) Kurta and Pajamas
- 1 full size heavy gauge steel plate (thali) for eating
- 2 Heavy Gauge vatis for vegetables.
- 1 stainless steel tongue cleaner
- 1 towel
- 1 Heavy quality excellent blanket (similar to one used by most of us).

1 Bucket
Total...14 items

Your friend Shamaldas was a big help in putting the kit together. You should have seen the smiles in the faces of children, when they received the kits. We gave kits to over 200 mentally and physically handicapped children too.

The need for the beds is so great that even a large quantity of 5000 beds would not be difficult to distribute judiciously. I am sure John and his team were more than satisfied with arrangements made by us.

The pace set by us was deliberately made very hectic after reading your guidelines, which mentioned that you are willing to handle 16 hour days. This is exactly what we did. However, the pace can and should

Mr. & Mrs. John Quinney and their party arrive in Bombay on Sunday 17th February 1985 to give away 1500 Slumber kits to needy and deserving children from Low Income Group families.

be slackened in future to enable the team to have some much needed rest in-between. Otherwise the heat and the dust can be really taxing on a person.

Murray you are an amazing man & NO you are like an Angel to children of District 314. You & really are a JEWEL, and your friends John and Marjorie are too. Keep it up. May God bless you, Margaret and your friends. May He give all of you the strength so that you continue to do this noble work. Although our contribution is nothing as compared to yours, we were only too happy to be of whatever service that was required of us. Your team will send you the full report on the work done jointly by us.

I have no words to express fully ^{my} appreciation and that of District 314, Governor Vakil, Dist Sec. Manubhai Mody, Dist. Treasurer Hans Khimji and our club President Dr. Atul Modi.

Our R.I. Fiscal Agent PDG Naval Ardeshir has been a great help and it was mainly due to his guidance the project was possible this year. I am personally grateful to Dist. Governor Vakil and to PDG Naval Ardeshir, Rtn. Manubhai Mody and Rtn. Hans Khimji for all the help they have rendered.

Please do convey our regards and thanks to every one connected with the project.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,
Manohar Advani
Manohar Advani

We are very happy to send this money for Sleeping Children around the World!

We made cookies last Sat. morning and Sat. afternoon we took two cars and canvassed for SCAW giving cookies as a gift for a donation. We raised \$96.50 in one afternoon driving all over our countryside. (We live on farms.)

We hoped to raise enough money for 1 slumber kit but we almost raised enough for 4. (We got a last minute donation to bring the total to 100\$.) We are very happy to help with such a worthwhile cause. The Magnet Church Sr. Sunday School

The following poem was written by **Pali Gunatilake**, our contact person in **Sri Lanka**, and we are pleased to include it with this Newsletter:

Once again this year our students in Kindergarten to Grade Six have decided not to exchange Christmas cards or gifts at school.

FROM SCAW -- WITH LOVE (March 3/85)

You may be black, brown or white,
Six, eight or just a mite,
What would you get
From SCAW -- with love.

They have brought the money they have saved to school so that it can be donated to your Sleeping Children.

Please find enclosed our cheque for \$204.11.

Your tousled head fast asleep,
No room to stretch your little feet,
What would you get
From SCAW -- with love.

The children here are looking forward to adding the photos to the 22 already on display.

A soft downy pillow, sheets to keep you warm,
A prayer, that God keeps you from harm,
That's what you'll get
From SCAW -- with love.

May I express once again, my gratitude to you for your initial inspiration and encouragement to our students. I am sure that they have come to realize more deeply their true Christian responsibility.

It has been a few months since you visited our school to speak to our students about the need for donations to Sleeping Children Around the World. At that time, we committed ourselves to this end and have since organized a Craft and Carnival Sale to raise funds.

No more cold nights to start and shiver,
Night clothes to wear! Oh! Bless the Giver!
That's what you'll get
From SCAW -- with love.

I am pleased to enclose a cheque in the amount of \$700.00 earned from this event. We are especially delighted since this represents participation by the part of all of our students, staff, and a great many parent volunteers. Since each bed kit cost \$25.00, our donation will purchase 28 kits. Please find this amount on behalf of the following classes and/or individuals.

Maybe sometime, some day in the distant future,
Perhaps you'll wine and dine in splendour,
And with affection you will remember,
From SCAW -- with love.

(To SCAW - with love,
From Pali, Sri Lanka.)

I have been writing a resume of your project on the back of the pictures that I have and have been leaving them at phone booths for terminals or anywhere I travel. I still have more to do.

Thankyou for the letter, and my photo. It is a great deal to me. I have a cheque for another sleep kit and would like the contribution to be given in my mother's name. Beryl Putt, as a father's name. For many years now she has been both mother & father to me. What better way to give a gift. My mother has given to me all the

I have had your communication put by on my desk for so long that eventually I got caught by the devaluation with which our new Government has lumbered us this week!

The Church school children of **St. John's Episcopal Church**, (Lake Crystal), have saved their money since November to provide a slumber kit; money enclosed. (March 23/85, Minnesota.)

Still I think that this is one of the most worthwhile charities that I support in my very humble way so even if it does cost me twenty per cent more, I am convinced that it is well worthwhile.

Continuation of Letters and Poems Received From Donors:

Just For A Moment:

When I lay down my head at night
And hasten into dreams
May I just for a moment
See a child and what it means
To have a bed, however small
To lay a weary head
To forget the pangs of hunger
And a future filled with dread
To know that somewhere in this world
A person cares enough
To lovingly provide for me
A refuge filled with love.

- by Mary E. Matthew

May you both be given the strength and plenty of helpers to continue your work in this field.

In this evening hour
In the last minutes
Of a long day -
I am grateful for the joy
Of clean sheets and a pillow,
For the prospect
Of seven or eight hours
Of physical rest,
For the pleasure of closing my eyes.

Lord of the evening -
Thank you for the night
For my bed - and for sleep!

- by Mrs. Jean Johnson, Dundas, Ontario.

"Ever since I read of your project in the **Christian Science Monitor**, I have wanted to send you my support. I think the enclosed will be the beginning of more. Thank you for your selflessness. (Orlando, Fla., Jan. 10/85).

Dear Mr. Dryden:

Kilbride United Church chose the **Sleeping Children Around the World** as their Christmas project. We held a craft night at the church, where we learned to make pine cone wreaths.

That night we made 11 wreaths which we then sold. The children were responsible for all of the cones. The people who came out to make the wreaths learned a new craft and the fellowship of other people. People who bought the wreaths had a lovely Christmas.

We raised \$183.00 after expenses. Please use this money for the sleeping children. Thank you for such a caring idea. (Signed: **H. Comba**, Sunday School Teacher, **Kilbride United Church**)

Criteria for Selection of Children to Receive Sleeping Kits:

"The criteria for selection of children by the **Ranibennur Rotary Club, India**, include: children of families, below age of 12 years, must be school-going, and preference was given to children who have adopted family planning. A Committee of the **Rotary Club**, headed by **Rtn. Dr. K. S. Nadiger**, did the best job of selecting good quality cloths and material directly from the mill at wholesale dealers, and for dresses of children."

Excerpts From Letters of Appreciation From Donors:

Please accept the enclosed donation of \$35.50 for the **Sleeping Children Fund** as part of the Lenten Projects of the children of **St. Ignatius of Loyola School**. (April 3/85).

The Kiwanis Club of North London is pleased to forward to you a further donation to assist you in distributing an additional number of slumber kits. We continue to be impressed with the work that you are carrying out throughout the world. (April 9/85). Please find enclosed a bank draft for \$125.56 Canadian, representing a donation to the **Club of \$200.00 New Zealand**. (April 2/85).

The United Way is pleased to forward herewith a cheque in the amount of \$250.00 as a special designated contribution for this year only to your organization, from the office of the **Royal Bank of Canada**. (March 26/85).

I am enclosing a cheque for \$25.00 plus \$3.00 stamps, and would like to pledge \$25.00 for at least the next six months. Although I had a bed of some sort during the year, it was not always a comfortable one, and so as a child my sleep patterns were not always ideal. Perhaps this is my reason for relating to your wonderful idea in providing sleeping kits for children who have so very little. (March 28/85).

On Christmas morning I will place a white envelope, with a copy of this letter, upon the Christmas tree for him to open.

Please find enclosed \$50. for 2 sleeping kits. Thank you for photographs received and for being able to help such a worthy cause. God Bless you and your team of workers. (Ireland). Enclosed is a cheque for \$100.00 from the ladies of the **Edmonton Unaffiliated Christian Ladies Group**. We appreciated pictures of the children with their kits. (Jan.16/85).



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