

# EIGHTY CLUB

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*Somehow, not only for Christmas  
But all the long year through  
The Joy that you give to others  
Is the Joy that comes  
back to you  
And the more you  
Spend in Caring, for  
The poor and lonely and sad  
The more their Blessings  
Will fill your heart and  
Return to make you glad.*



*Christmas is a time to  
Expand our giving  
Encompassing the  
Needy..... Near and far  
Christmas is sharing*

**The Management and Fundraising Committees**

**Together with**

**Our Welfare Beneficiaries and Students**

**Wish You All**

**The Joys of Christmas  
And a Peaceful & Prosperous  
New Year - 2018**

**CARING FOR THE LESS FORTUNATE**

## **President's Message**

Once again we are at that time of the year, where each and every one of us, young and old look forward to Christmas. Along with the traditional festivities, it is a celebration of Life, Joy at the birth of Christ.

As the years roll by, we reminisce and remember the Christmas's of yesteryears. A time, irrespective of diverse religious beliefs, ethnicity, country or cultural backgrounds, Christmas was a time of universal unification and celebrated with tolerance, respect and recognition of our diverse religious faiths. It is a time to ponder, take stock of the year gone by, give thanks and celebrate the Joys the season brings. For those of us dealing with misfortune, ill health or obstacles in our life, it is a time to look toward the promise of better times to come and take comfort in the hope for a brighter and better future. We are all so different and yet our goals seem so much the same. It is a season that we all look forward to and wish to celebrate with Peace, Harmony, and the belief that we must co-exist and are here for each other.

This, I believe is what Christmas is all about. A time of Joy, A time of Peace, A time of Hope, a Celebration and a Promise of a Better Future for all.

In today's date and time it is easy to lose sight of the true meaning of Christmas and yet, what takes place at Christmas is no different now, to that day at the birth of Jesus. In the same manner that we welcome the birth of a child in our lives, so do we at Christmas. The giving of gifts is symbolic and comparable to that of the 3 Wise men or Kings bearing gifts. Most important is to remember the manner of his birth. The kindness and generosity of the inn-keeper and the humble stable where He was born. A child not born to riches, who shared his life to better that of his fellow man and gave all he had to those in need. This is the message and spirit of Christmas. We are here to foster and help each other.

It is true, that the spirit of Christmas lives in our hearts all through the year. It is shown by the generosity and kindred spirit that prompts us to reach out and help, at times of natural disasters, personal tragedies, sickness or whatever unfortunate occurrence that may befall someone. A simple act of kindness and in giving, we show that we care. The gift of caring is the greatest gift we can bestow.

As a charity, we have been fortunate that the generosity of our members and well-wishers have made it possible for us, to continue to Care for the Less Fortunate. This year once again we have been able to pay a Christmas bonus of Rs2000 to all our Welfare Beneficiaries. Our generous sponsors have made it possible to educate and see to the welfare of 185 students in Sri Lanka. In addition we have also been able to fund the Christmas parties for the students and Less fortunate in Sri Lanka. A little bit of joy to fill their lives.

Thanks to Rodney and Marie de Kretser and their program 'A Gift for Every Child at Christmas', the students, both in Batticaloa and Colombo will have every child's dream of receiving a gift at Christmas.

A generous donation of \$3000, from one of our members, (who likes to remain anonymous), made it possible to fund the July bonus of Rs1500, for all our beneficiaries.

This indeed is the true story of Christmas. Just as the birth of Christ was to save mankind, so too is the parallel that we need to care for and look after each other, to lend a hand and make this world a better place for all of us.

My wife Shireen, joins me in Thanking you for your Support and Goodwill and we Wish You a Merry Christmas, filled with Joy, Every Happiness, Peace, Good Health and the company of all your Loved Ones around You.

Earle Ferdinand



## **ERROL GORDON JACOTINE – The man he was to many .**

- by Earle Ferdinand

Errol was a man of immense stature and an even bigger heart. His love of life was only surpassed by his love for his 'girls', as he called them, his wife Violet and his 4 daughters, Sharon, Karen, Rochelle, and Romaine. Together with his grandchildren, they were his pride and joy, his greatest treasure and he took great care to be there for all of them. His love of family and friends was evident for all to see. To all those who knew and loved him there was no better friend than Errol. He loved to party, lived life to the fullest and was in his element, sharing a drink and enjoying the company of family and friends.



Errol received many blessings in life. His achievements were many and yet he remained humble at heart and in spirit. His success in life was complemented by his quiet and unassuming philanthropy, as he was quick to help others. You could count on him to be there and no matter what it was, Errol would help you out if he could.

Errol was a great asset on the Management Committee of the Eighty Club Melbourne. Over the years his contribution to the club was immeasurable and joining the club in its formative years, he used his considerable knowledge and business acumen to further the cause and objectives of the club. His vision and goals were tempered by a common sense approach to future directions of the club. A long serving member since 1985 and together with his wife Violet, distinguished themselves on the Fund Raising Committee. The dedication, commitment and passion to the cause of the Less Fortunate, was quintessential to his simple philosophy, to care for and help those in need. Under his stewardship as President in 2006 and in 2007, he was instrumental in organizing and celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations, of the club.

Undoubtedly to him, the world was a wonderful place to be in. Life was meant to be enjoyed and he was quick to share his good fortune with others. There were many, who's lives he touched in every way. During his long battle with ill health, his positive attitude was a lesson in coping with adversity. His many visitors were greeted with a smile and energy that belied his frailty. Errol, I am sure, were it possible at that time, would have liked nothing better than to share a 'scotch' with them. To him, tomorrow and the dawn of another day, was a promise of better things to come. This was the very essence, the nucleus of his core belief on what life should be, and the future he wished for everyone. Errol was very much, 'a man for all seasons'. Kind, generous, full of good humour and the gift of making you feel special. His immense love of family, friends and life itself, is how, we will all remember him.

Errol, to all of us who had the good fortune to know him, was a gift from God.

Unfortunately for all of us left behind, God wanted him back.

Farewell Errol.

***'It's hard to forget someone, who has given you so much to remember'***



At the end of another year, we would like to Say Thank You to All our Members, Supporters and Well-wishers for their continued and ongoing support of the work we do in Caring for the Less Fortunate in Sri Lanka.

I take this opportunity to say a special word of thanks to:

*Our Student Sponsors. Education is the best gift you can give a child and prepare them for the future. All the table hosts who are there at every event with their guests to support our functions and all those who donate raffle prizes.*

*The Silva family, Jude de Silva and Princess Reception Centres for their continued support.*

*Our caterers, Melanie and Mazhar Rauff, Cha's Cabin for the delicious meals they serve at generous rates.*

*The Parish Priest, Fr. Kaz of Good Shepherd Church, Wheelers Hill for the discounted Hall Hire.*

*The President of the DBU and all his staff for their invaluable assistance in co-ordinating our work in Caring for the Less Fortunate in Sri Lanka.*

*The generous member who made the July bonus possible with a donation of \$3000.*

*Errol & Violet Jacotine for their sponsorship of the Christmas Dinner Dance.*

*Rodney de Kretser for making it possible that every child receives a gift at Christmas.*

*Australian International Foods for their support at our Christmas Dinner Dance and other functions.*

*Once again to each and every-one of you for your goodwill, donations and support. Your generosity is the greatest factor in helping all those who depend on us and need our assistance.*

*All this would not be possible, without the hard work of the Management and Fundraising Committees who volunteer with a smile.*

**Thank You. Editor**



## **THANK YOU**

THIS YEAR THE STUDENTS, BOTH IN COLOMBO AND BATTICALOA, WILL HAVE A BIGGER SURPRISE. THE MONEY THAT WAS SO GENEROUSLY AND KINDLY DONATED BY THOSE WARM HEARTED MEMBERS AND FRIENDS FOR MY SPECIAL PROJECT, "A GIFT FOR EVERY SPONSORED STUDENT AT CHRISTMAS", WAS FORWARDED TO THE DUTCH BURGHER UNION, COLOMBO AND THE BURGHER CULTURAL UNION, BATTICALOA. SANTA WILL DELIVER THEIR GIFTS AT THE CHRISTMAS PARTIES SPONSORED BY THE EIGHTY CLUB MELBOURNE.

A VERY BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED, NOT ONLY FROM MYSELF, BUT ALSO ON BEHALF OF THE CHILDREN.

THIS YEAR, I AM HAPPY TO SAY THAT WITH THE MONEY RAISED, WE WERE ABLE TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR THEIR GIFTS.

I INTEND TO KEEP THIS TRADITION GOING, WELL INTO THE FUTURE AND LOOK FORWARD TO RECEIVING FURTHER DONATIONS FOR THE NEXT YEAR.

WITHOUT YOUR ASSISTANCE THIS WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE.

**RODNEY DE KRETSER**

## **The Trials and Misfortunes of Janine P. - Student Sponsorship Program .**

Janine is a 15 year old girl currently being sponsored by a very generous couple in Queensland. This sponsorship together with over 130 other students is administered for the ECM by the DBU in Colombo.

Janine, born on the 18 January 2002, was eight years old when along with her brother Jason commenced their sponsorship in January 2010. Their sponsors who wish to remain anonymous were on holiday in Sri Lanka in December 2009 and generously hosted the two children along with their parents to a Brunch Buffet on the 27th December at the Hilton Hotel in Colombo.



The sponsors present in the Banquet Hall of the hotel, did not reveal their presence to the family. The entire family was enthralled at the variety of food available and the father Mr. P. telephoned the DBU to say how much they enjoyed the meal. Mr. P. was fluent in English, both written and spoken, although his wife, of Burgher ancestry was not as conversant. Mr. P. who had a reasonable job as a Security Guard wrote informative letters giving news of the family and his children's progress in school. He always thanked the sponsors profusely for the support received to assist with the children's education. These letters, received by the Student Sponsorship Coordinator was redirected to the sponsors, complying with their wish to remain anonymous.

However the calm existence of the entire family was thrown into chaos in late 2005 when Mr. P passed away. Unable to cope, Mrs. P. suffered a nervous breakdown and was placed in a mental institution, where she underwent treatment and was released after a period of about 6 months. During this time and the subsequent times Mrs.P suffered a relapse, the children were placed in the care of neighbors and relatives.

Jason left school in 2014 when he was 17 and found employment as a casual labourer.

In 2016 further disaster overtook the family when their house was completely inundated and they took refuge in the local temple for two weeks till the flood waters receded. The family lost most of their possessions and Janine lost her school books and most of her clothes.

Sadly, after the father's death, the correspondence from the family was sporadic and the Administrative Manager of the DBU Mrs. Etienne Jayatunge kept the Sponsorship Coordinator informed as to the current situation, with regular e-mails which were forwarded to the sponsors. However we were unable to get an update on Janine's progress at school as her mother was unwell and was again an in-patient in an institution. The school authorities were not willing to provide any written information on Janine insisting that her mother present herself and request the information.

Unfortunately, due to the lack of correspondence and information from the school the sponsorship was suspended for the first two quarters of 2017. However it was restored in July 2017 when Mrs. P. was well enough to go to the school and obtain a written report on Janine's progress.

Everything was progressing well, the sponsorship restored and the sponsors were pleased with the updates. On receiving a letter from Janine in August 2017 they expressed their intention and desire to meet with Janine and her mother on their next visit to Sri Lanka in 2018; thus ending their anonymous status.

Fate however dealt a cruel blow and it was not long before Janine was once again subject to a great tragedy. In late September her mother, Mrs. P passed away after a short illness.

Janine has now been taken under the wing of her Aunt, her late father's sister and this lady has contacted the DBU and made arrangements to visit the DBU and meet with the Welfare Committee to discuss the way forward. Janine is scheduled to sit for her GCE "O" level examinations shortly. We wish her well.

Behind this unfortunate tale lies a background story of efficient information gathering coupled with great communication in keeping the Student Sponsorship Coordinator informed at every stage and thus the sponsor, of the events taking place

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in this young girl's life. The indefatigable and thoroughly dedicated efforts expended by Mrs. Etienne Jayatunge of the DBU, not just in this case but in all other student sponsorship matters requiring investigation are to be highly commended. It would have been impossible for Janine's sponsorship to continue without the regular updates from Etienne.

The Student Sponsorship Scheme would definitely not be functioning as well as it currently is without Etienne's support, dedication and efficiency. **This sad and tragic story and how it was successfully managed in spite of many obstacles, clearly illustrates the importance and need for ongoing and regular communication between all parties – the students, the parents, the sponsors, the DBU and the ECM.**

**UPDATE:** Young Janine P came on Saturday with her Aunt. She seems very composed and relaxed. Her Aunt informed us that her brother has now started working in a hotel in Negombo and Janine is studying for the GCE O/L exams this year. I was happy to see her.

Presently the DBU are getting ready for a concert with Ishan Bahar to collect funds for the children who complete A/Ls and want to pursue their studies. Last year too with the monies so collected, we were able to sponsor a few children, some, who are still continuing with their studies and some who have already completed. In fact we were very proud to read in the newspapers only last week of one of these children successfully completed a course at Prima Bakery and is doing well for herself. This Bakery course costs approx. Rs.250,000 and recognized worldwide – which is saying something. If not that the DBU stepped in to help her she would have not had this opportunity. This goes for the Eighty Club Melbourne as well. If not for all the help the Eighty Club Melbourne gives our young ones they would not have been able to reach the A/L! Most of the parents realize this and are very appreciative of the quarterly allowance they receive from the Club. Etienne Jayatunga.



### **HELP -NEW SPONSORS NEEDED**

The students currently under sponsorship number 131 in Colombo and 36 in Batticaloa.

We have two (02) students both girls currently in school whose sponsors have reluctantly withdrawn their support due to financial reasons.

**We urgently need two sponsors to take over these ongoing sponsorships.**

In addition fourteen students (14) have sat for their GCE "A" Level examinations and are awaiting the results. It is possible that of these 14 students 4 or 5 may continue to do tertiary studies and the balance will leave school.



**We will be requiring new sponsors to commence about 10 new sponsorships.**

Please contact Trevor Collette (Student Sponsorship Coordinator) to assist by undertaking a sponsorship.

Contact Details: PH: 03 97061084 email: [trevorcollette43@bigpond.com](mailto:trevorcollette43@bigpond.com)



## **WELFARE BENEFICIARY NEWS - Silvereen Jacotine**

*Once again, it's that time of year, when we all look forward to the season of Christmas.*

*The conversation around the festive dinner table will be far different from those of yesteryear. The world around us has changed and many people may perhaps harbor a tinge of trepidation and fear for what the future may hold for themselves and their loved ones. We all make plans for the future, but in reality, we never know, what the future may bring. This is why, we should all spare a thought for those people in real poverty. They too had their plans and aspirations for a better life, but now, bereft of their dreams and hopes for a better future, all they have left in life is to depend on the charity and assistance of others.*

*In my years as coordinator of the Welfare Beneficiary program, it is heart rending to sift through the countless applications, forwarded to me, seeking aid to lift them out of their abject poverty. The circumstances of these appeals are varied in content. Hunger, sickness, a child with special needs and at times a home to rest their weary bodies.*

*Whilst we all revel and enjoy the festivities of this season and be thankful for the standard of living we enjoy in this country, we should also reflect on those to whom we should be reaching out to. Those in desperate need, those who cannot afford a meal, let alone presents.*

*Hope is the attitude and focus we bring to our lives when we need solace from our personal tribulations and trials in life and Hope, is what these poor, destitute people need in theirs. We need to consider and honestly evaluate our lives and make it a priority to share the charity and love in our hearts to those who seek our help. We can all look forward to a fuller and more meaningful life, when we reach out to help one another.*

*We need to have Faith that we can help make a change in this world, give Hope and most importantly, reach out with Love to give and share our good fortune with others.*

*This is my sincere wish to you from my family and I, this Christmas Season.*



***A Warm Welcome to Rienze (Ray) van Sanden and Trish Simpson on joining the Management Committee of the Eighty Club Melbourne. We also welcome their spouses Dellreen Van Sanden and Brett Simpson to the Fundraising Committee.***



***We are pleased to announce that the Eighty Club Melbourne is now on Facebook. Thanks to the expertise and hard work of Trish Simpson, our website is now linked to Facebook and we welcome you to follow our activities and events on Facebook***

***<https://www.facebook.com/eightyclubmelbourne>***

### **MAXIMISING MULTIMEDIA - A QUICK GUIDE ON IT'S MANY USES**

Dear Dad,

I am coming home to get married soon, so get your check book out. I'm in love with a boy who is far away from me. As you know, I am in Australia and he lives in Scotland. We met on a dating website, became friends on Facebook, had long chats on Whatsapp. He proposed to me on Skype, and now we've had two months of a relationship through Viber. My beloved and favorite Dad, I need your blessing, good wishes, and a really big wedding. Lots of love and thanks.

Your favorite daughter, Lilly

#### **The response:**

***My dear Lilly, like wow! Really? Cool! Whatever! I suggest you two get married on Twitter, have fun on Tango, buy your kids on Amazon, and pay for it all through PayPal. And when you get fed up with this new husband, sell him on eBay.***

***Love,***

***Your Dad***

# SOCIAL NOTES



*Many Happy Returns to  
Eileen van Twest  
Who Celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday*



**Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday to  
Mervyn Schoorman  
CONGRATULATIONS**



**CONGRATULATIONS to**

*Michael & Camlin Thompson  
On their  
Sapphire Wedding Anniversary*



Mr & Mrs. Rohan & Trudy Moresi  
Mr & Ms Jude Abraham & Irene Mello  
Mr & Mrs Mohan & Torren Ranatunga  
Mr & Mrs Derrick & Rosemary Kelly  
Mr & Mrs Richard & Trish Groom  
Mr & Mrs Paul & Claudette Gerreyn  
Mr & Mrs Eardley & Faith Alexander  
Mr & Mrs Daya & Dawn Perera  
Mr & Mrs Noel & Feina Hearsey  
Mr & Mrs Chaminda & Chrishni Kurumbalapitiya;  
Mr & Mrs Rachel & Carol Vieyra;  
Mr & Mrs Desmond & Pauline Kelaart -  
Mr & Mrs Michael & Romaine D'Silva;  
Mr & Mrs Mark & Jennifer Robin -

Mr & Mrs Rienze & Dellreen van Sanden  
Mr & Mrs Ramon & Penny Silva  
Mr & Mrs David & Philippa McGuire  
Mr & Mrs Trevine & Rosemarie Rodrigo  
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Mr & Mrs David & Annalene Steer  
Mr & Mrs Bill & Jackie Else -  
Mr & Mrs Roger & Julia Aldons;  
Mr & Mrs Crispin & Sherry Hannibelsz  
Mr & Mrs John & Genevieve Mc Ilwaine  
Mr & Mrs Rennie & Maryanne Raux; - Ms. Kathy Ferdinands;  
Mr & Mrs Stewart & Sue Halliwell - Mr John Drinkwater  
Mr & Mrs David & Vanessa Whitham - Ms Nola Read  
Mr & Mrs Ross & Rosa La Guida - Ms Amy De La Harpe



## ASLEEP IN GOD'S CARE



**CASPERSZ, Dunstan Justus Shakespeare** Passed away peacefully, Wednesday Aug. 9, 2017. Aged 93 years Much loved father of Deirdre, Marie, Ralston (dec. ), Garth, Jennifer, Barbie, Gerard and Jude; father-in-law of Rick, Lyndy, Pauline (dec. ), Lynn, Ron, Seni, Glynis and Dommie. Loving and one of a kind Pop to Rochelle and Andrew, Simone and Col, Jason, Chantelle and Andy, Troy (dec. ), Justin, Jerome and Diane, Jane and Stephen, Jarrod, Darren and Emily, Lisa and Ben, Dani and Anthony, Bradley and Alyssa, Lauren and Ryan, Joshua, Sofie and Marcus. A very special Great Gran Pop to Tiana and Chandler, Matthew and Georgia, Isaac and Max, Zoe, Riley and Indie, Mitchell and Sienna, Ethan, Josiah, Elijah and Laelle, Jack and Maddison. Safe in the arms of Jesus

**de NIESE. Estelle Mignon.** 14.11.1926 - 12.7.2017 Much loved daughter of Esme and Cedric Joseph (dec. ). Loving sister of Vilma and Monica and the late Averil, Alastair, Eudora, Marlene, Dennis and Merrill. Darling bride of Douglas (dec. ), adored and most loving mother of Peter, Stephen, Alan, Christopher, Richard, Valerie, Marion, George, Damian, Paula, Camille and spouses, loving grandmother of 30 and Great Gran of 19. Renowned singer and much loved performing arts teacher at several girls' schools in Colombo. Choir member of St Francis Church Melbourne. Choir Mistress at St Paul's Coburg for over 20 years. you will remain in our hearts forever

**HESSE. Ralph (Buddy).** Born Aug. 26, 1930. Husband of Clarene (dec. ), dearly loved father of Debbie, Melanie, Paula and Tania, father-in-law to Tony, grandfather of Laura, Rebecca, Damien, Jordan and Amelia, great-grandfather of Evan and Connor. Passed away on Sept. 1, 2017. He will be deeply missed.

**JACOTINE. Errol Gordon.** Passed away surrounded by his loving family on Nov. 6, 2017, aged 79 years. Beloved husband of Violet. Dearly loved father of Sharon, Karen, Rochelle and Romaine. Loved father in law of Terry, Craig, Alan and John. Very proud and loving poppy of Laura, Keshia, Chelsea, Timothy, Joel, Liam, Kane Ashlea, Cassidy, Jackson and Kelly. Loved and always remembered. Forever in our hearts. Rest in Peace

**METZELING, Laurian.** 11.04.1929 - 14.07.2017 Laurian passed away peacefully surrounded by family after a short illness. Loved and loving husband of Pamela, brother to Sheelagh, devoted father to Leon, Peter and Michelle, and their partners Julia, Cate and David. Proud grandfather to Liam, Kristin, Eva, Luke, Cassie, Chloe, Daniel and Bailey. Thank you for your love, leadership and guidance over the years. You will be sadly missed.

**MACK Derrick Basil Clive.** Lt-CMDR- RAN, Retired.16.5.30-2.10.17. Devoted husband of Bernice for 61 years. Beloved father and father-in-law of Garvin & Michelle, Karen & Glen, Janine, Brett, Darren & Michelle. Adored Papa of Charlyn, Alicia, Justin, Julia, Corinne, Isobel, Jaiden, Caitlin, Joseph & Lola. A cherished brother to Vivian, June, Douglas & Peggy. Sadly missed & admired by all who knew him. Aged 87 years.

**Rusinko, Marlene** (née Bocks) (Swan) died in London on 27 June 2017

Beloved mother of Mario Michael and Kenneth Swan and sister of Rosemarie Cooke.

**YOUNG - RONALD JEFFREY** - Loved husband of Clarine, beloved father of Sharon, Suzette, Steven, Stephanie & Stuart, fond father-in-law of Tony (late), Arjuna, Sandra & Dishna, darling Papa of Shannon, Ryan, Vanessa, Joshua & Debbie, called to rest on 02nd November. Interment of Ashes at St. Mary & John Church, Nugegoda.

## OUR GRATEFUL THANKS



*There have been many instances where bereaved families have requested mourners to make donations to the Eighty Club Melbourne, in lieu of floral tributes. It is very touching that, in the midst of their sadness and personal loss, individuals and families think of the Less Fortunate persons back in Sri Lanka and decide to help them rather than have mourners spend money on flowers that will wither and die with no benefit to anyone. We, in the Eighty Club Melbourne, thank all such families from the bottom of our hearts for your thoughtfulness. May God Bless you ALL and help you to bear and accept your loss and may your loved one Rest In Peace.*




*A template of a donation envelope can be forwarded to you or the undertakers, if required.*  
**Editor.**

*'What you leave behind is not engraved on stone monuments, but what is woven into the lives of others.'*



## DATES TO REMEMBER 2018 Events



Date	Event	Co-ordinators
11 Feb 2018	<b>Buriyani Lunch</b>	Rienze & Dellreen van Sanden - Ph: 9568 0198 Ingrid & Eric Harmon - Ph: 9904 8982 Pam & Maurice Forster - Ph: 9841 8749
17 Mar 2018	 <b>Dinner Dance</b>	George & Yvonne de Vos - Ph: 9795 0009 Trish & Brett Simpson- Ph: 0400 688 383 Earle & Shireen Ferdinand -Ph: 9512 7265
6 May 2018	<b>String Hopper Pilau Lunch</b>	Tony & Arlene Scarnivel - Ph: 9763 0085 Lorraine Muller - Ph: 9799 4662 Allan & Marie Pinder - Ph: 9700 6178
1 July 2018	<b>Lunch Dance at the Grand</b> 	Rodney & Marie de Kretser – Ph: 9848 4623 Jill & Trevor Collette - Ph: 9706 1084
19 Aug 2018	<b>Roti Lunch &amp; AGM</b>	Silvereen & Peter Jacotine - Ph: 0414 666 368 Annesley & Jennifer Young - Ph: 9548 3920 Denis Williamsz - Ph: 9897 3521
14 Oct 2018	<b>Savoury Rice and Curry Lunch</b>	Leonie Martensteyn - Ph: 9873 1879 Rita Young - Ph: 9557 2364 Jill & Trevor Collette - Ph: 9848 4623
1 Dec 2018	 <b>X'mas Dance at the Grand</b>	Earle & Shireen Ferdinand – Ph: 9512 7265 Rodney & Marie de Kretser– Ph: 9848 4623 George & Yvonne de Vos - Ph: 9795 0009

**All Lunch functions and the Country & Western Dinner Dance will be held at  
The Good Shepherd Church Hall, Wheelers Hill.**

**The July Lunch Dance and the Christmas Dinner Dance at the "Grand on Cathies", Wantirna**

### **YOUR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION IS ESSENTIAL TO THEIR NEEDS**

Our events and functions are our main source of much needed funds necessary to continue our aid to our Welfare Beneficiaries and Students. It also helps us to increase our aid to those numerous poor seeking help. As a loyal supporter, we are asking for your assistance by attending the above events, share our journey and lending a helping hand. Apart from generating the funds necessary to continue the valuable work we do, these functions are also a great place to meet your friends and have a great day

***They need your support to help change their lives.***

## OUR GRATEFUL THANKS TO THESE GENEROUS DONORS

*Donations received from 19th June to 30 October 2017*

Aldons Ione	50.00	Ferdinands Edred Denise	25.00
Anghie Ruth	20.00	Ferdinands Rupert Tamara	20.00
Baines Ron Jacinth	20.00	Fernando Marcia	20.00
Barsenbach John Lisa	20.00	Fernando Maurine	20.00
Bartels Aileen	40.00	Fernando Audrey	20.00
Beattie Margot	20.00	Fernando Audrey	20.00
Bertus Christine	50.00	In memory of Rochelle Cooke	
Bowen Erica	50.00	Fernando Errol Diane	20.00
Bright Terry	100.00	Fernando Mike	45.00
Buultjens Michael Jean	70.00	Foenander Hugh Avril	300.00
Calleja Charles Iona	100.00	Foenander Odath Sandra	20.00
in memory of - Mercy Sivarajasingham		Forster Dennis	20.00
Carron Hazel	200.00	Forster Wilhelm Romaine	20.00
In memory of Brian Carron,		Fraser Peter June	100.00
Trevor & Ralph Melder		Frugtniet Brian Christine	20.00
Caspersz Annesley & GasserF	50.00	Garnier Rodney Carole	20.00
In memory of Dunstan Caspersz		Gauder Muriel	50.00
Caspersz Family	100.00	In memory of Rochelle Cooke	
In memory of Dunstan Caspersz		Gauder Muriel	50.00
Chapman Stan Carina	100.00	In memory of Doreen Gauder	
In memory of Vernon Bartholomeusz		Gauder Muriel	50.00
Collinson Dawn	170.00	In memory of Trevor Buultjens	
Cooke Noeline	20.00	Gerlach Maxwell Joan	10.00
In memory of Rochelle Cooke		Goggin Peter Rosemary	70.00
Crowe Chester Pax	70.00	Gooneratne Gladwin Audrey	20.00
Dabrera Cheryl	50.00	Gray Faye	520.00
Dambawinne Daphne	50.00	Gray Derek	31.00
In memory of Dunstan Caspersz		Greve Derrick Heather	70.00
Daniels Barbara	70.00	Harridge Dawne	20.00
David Dion Kathy	20.00	Harris Dimitri Sarah	145.00
David Frankie	30.00	Harvie Dawn	20.00
D'Costa Sheila Reginald	20.00	Hatch Rita	200.00
De Hoedt Joe Shirley	30.00	In memory of Conraad Hatch	
De Hoedt Ryland Trilby	50.00	Heatherich Martin Patricia	70.00
In memory of Ryland (Jnr) & Andrew		Hepponstall Derek	40.00
De Hoedt Winston Clara	17.04	Herft Esme	20.00
De Jong Patrick	20.00	Herft Angelo Melinda	20.00
De Kauwe Faye Heschell	20.00	Herft Damian Caroline	100.00
De Kretser Desmond & Dianne	70.00	Herft Gerry Gina	150.00
De Kretser Warwick Peggy	20.00	Hickey Kevin Doreen	50.00
De Ley Randall Yvonne	20.00	In memory of Gail Allon,	
De Moore Eileen	100.00	Trevor & Ralph Melder	
De Niese Alan Ramona	200.00	Hogan Gavan & Maureen	70.00
Bequest from Estelle De Niese		Holsinger Heather	100.00
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De Silva Rosemary	70.00	Ingleton Rodney Mignon	50.00
De Zilwa Mervyn Myrna	20.00	Ingleton Rodney Mignon	100.00
Deckker Norman Christine	20.00	In memory of Vernon Bartholomeusz	
DeJong Virginia	50.00	Jansz Jaycinthe	50.00
Demmer Christine	20.00	Jansz Cedric Faye	50.00
Deutrom Bill	70.00	Jansz Christine	20.00
Deutrom Lindsay Crystal	20.00	In memory of Ralph Jansz	
Dickson Rick Betty	70.00	Jilla Homi Marjorie	300.00
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Dunlop Anne	20.00	for the less fortunate	
Durant Lorraine	100.00	Koelmeyer Neil	150.00
Ebert Arnold Kaye	20.00	Kreltszheim Frederick Rosemary	30.00

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Else Jackie Bill in memory of Richard Young	50.00	Perera Dr. Buddhi & Winifred	300.00
Kreltszheim Jeremy Rosemarie	30.00	Presser Karen	20.00
Kreltszheim Mervyn Patricia	20.00	Ragel Florence	70.00
La Brooy Earl	100.00	Reimers Glenn Jill	20.00
La Brooy Vilma In memory of Trevor Labrooy	100.00	Roberts Carmen	20.00
La Brooy Audrey	20.00	Robertson Jack Emily	20.00
La Brooy Audrey In memory of Trevor Labrooy	100.00	Rodrigue Betty	70.00
La Brooy Jeremy Jill	70.00	Scharley Marie	200.00
La Brooy Mirabelle	20.00	In memory of May & Wilford Rowlands	
Lobo Ben Yvonne	50.00	Schoorman Dorothy	775.00
Ludekens Bernie Lorraine	20.00	in lieu of <b>70th Birthday</b> presents	
Ludekens Dudley Pam	20.00	Schoorman Dorothy	20.00
Ludowyk Robin Joan	20.00	Schoorman Peter Shanti	20.00
Mack Bernice	50.00	Schrader Mark Karen	40.00
Mack June	20.00	Schumacher Ivor Eileen	20.00
Mack Brian In memory of Jerry & Margie Mack	50.00	Scovell Elliston Fleur	30.00
Mack Douglas Peggy	50.00	Sethupathy Bryan Michelle In memory of Anton Sethupathy	70.00
Mack Vivian	20.00	Sethupathy Christine In memory of Anton Sethupathy	100.00
Mackay G & Thomas M In memory of Dunstan Caspersz	50.00	Meredith Morrison & Corinne Chapman	
Madawela Percy	30.00	Siebel June	110.00
Maddaford Tania Darryl	20.00	In memory of Haig Siebel	
Makalanda Marky Gillian	70.00	Siebel June	50.00
Maloney Tyrone Pauline	70.00	In memory of Buddy Hesse	
Martinus Priscilla	70.00	Siebel Brian Kathleen	70.00
Martinus Oswald Maeve	20.00	Silva Shirley	40.00
McIntyre Graeme	20.00	Smith Dale	40.00
Michaux- Armel Robert Suzanne	100.00	Soertsz Frank & Daphne	120.00
Michaux Jeanette	30.00	Solomons Lavinia	70.00
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Misso Robin Gwen	70.00	Stellni Ann	35.00
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Moldrich Chris In memory of Constance Moldrich	20.00	Stewart Glenroy Romayne	70.00
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Mortimer Ernie Noeline	20.00	Thompson Michael Camlin in memory of Bianca Vanlangenberg	50.00
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Nicholas Clifford Geraldine	20.00	Tytler Harry June	20.00
Nugara Merrill Arlene	70.00	Van Twest Eileen	70.00
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Ohlmus Fritsz Liz	20.00	Vander Straaten Doris	10.00
Ondaatje Aelian Patricia	20.00	Visser John Diana	70.00
Ondarchie Althea	20.00	Vollenhoven Beverley & Katherine Harvey & Kieran Cashin	90.00
Orchard Keith Judy	70.00	Wambeek Cynthia	50.00
Paternott Roger Jean	50.00	Wambeek Cynthia	20.00
Pears Adrian Dawn In memory of Grant & Maisie Colomb	50.00	Wambeek Keith Lynne	20.00
Pears Adrian Dawn In memory of Leslie & Florence Pears	50.00	Weiman Gordon & Heather	70.00
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		Welsh Russell Valerie	50.00
		Whatmore Margie	20.00
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		Wijeyaratne Anoma	20.00
		Willenberg Cholmondoley Melrose	20.00
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Poulier Ken Lu	100.00	Yates Lindsay Elaine	30.00
Willenberg Ralph	70.00	Young Anita Louise	70.00
Willenberg Shelton S	70.00	Young Anita Louise	40.00
Williamsz Denis	20.00	Young Gillian	20.00
Williamsz Steven Julie	100.00	Young Sonia Ian	70.00
Woodbury John Forrest	70.00	Anonymous Donation	120.00
Anonymous Donation	1,970.00	In memory of Geoffrey Frugtniet	
Anonymous Donation	100.00	Anonymous Donation	100.00
For Joshua Muller		For Jude Reimers	
<b>Anonymous Donations</b>			
3 X \$20	60.00	2 X \$30	60.00
1 X \$40	40.00	5 X \$70	350.00
4 X \$80	320.00	1 X \$144	144.00
1 X \$150	150.00	1 X \$150	150.00
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4 x \$60		\$240.00	

**200 donated by Evelyn & Marc Misso in memory of Moline Mitchell.** - This was inadvertently printed in the last newsletter with the donor showing as Faye & Cedric Jansz. We do apologize for the error. Editor

## Coin Collections



Pears, Adrian & Dawn - \$10.00 ;	Orchard, Erol & Elaine - \$20.00
Krins, David & Raquel - \$24.50;	De La Zilwa, Clair & Jean - \$74.60;
Driberg, Jenny & Dal - \$159.50;	Willenberg, M & C - \$61.95;
VanCuylenberg, Deanna - \$20.40; ;	Fernando, Audrey - \$30.05
De Silva, R & Y - \$4.30; Jenny Y - \$30.60;	Jilla, Homi & Marjori - \$31.50;
Hesse, Rita - \$35.50	Smith, Roger & Sue - \$55.20; Cook, Rowena - \$27.20;
Hickey, Kevin & Doreen - \$50.00	Carron, Hazel - \$25.00 Anonymous - \$35.50

*Thank You*  
FOR YOUR HELP

Below is a brief snapshot of a few of our Welfare Beneficiaries, provided to us by Social Welfare Committee of the Dutch Burgher Union, Sri Lanka.

Date	Name	Amount	Details
03.06.17	Mrs. Olga Rozairo	1,000	66 yrs. Has no income and needs money for medication.
16.06.17	Mr. Edward Rodrigo	500	Needs money for medication.
01.07.17	Mercie Nicholas	1,000	Diagnosed with cancer. Needs money for medication.
05.07.17	Douglas Rozairo	1,000	69 yrs. Has no income and needs to do a cataract operation.
07.07.17	Michael Davidson	1,000	ECOM-WB Wife is sick and they need money for medication.
14..7.17	Hiacinth Yvonne Silva	1,000	Has no income. Lives with daughter but has a lot of problems.
14.07.17	Felicita Felthman	1,000	Has no income. Has cancer and needs money for medication.
26.07.17	Sherine Arnolda	500	Needs money for medication
17.08.17	Flora Roof	1,000	ECOM-WB. Has no money for food and is desperate.
	Total	8,000	



**OUR FIRST EVENT FOR 2018**

**THE EIGHTY CLUB MELBOURNE, INC**

PRESENTS

# ***A FEAST OF BURIYANI***



**SUNDAY, 11th February, 2018**  
**at**

**THE GOOD SHEPHERD HALL, MULGRAVE**

*Coordinators:* Ingrid & Eric Harmon - Ph: 9904 8982  
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**ACCOUNT NAME: EIGHTY CLUB MELBOURNE, INC. - BSB 013479 ACCOUNT NO: 300355583**

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