



## A page from the Family Album

September 2012

### Mark Your Calendars

We're already looking ahead to the 11th Annual Anniversary Party to be held Thursday, December 13, 2012, at the St. Nicholas of Myra Orthodox Church, on Avenue A and Tenth Street in the Lower East Side in NYC.

Our enthusiastic party committee members are planning an even bigger and better party this year at this beautiful new venue.

Please do plan on attending! We love seeing old and new friends, and we encourage our out of town supporters to make a special trip to New York to meet Beverly at the party and enjoy the city during the Holidays.

### We did it!

Thank you to all who helped us to meet the \$4,000 challenge grant from the **Don Splawn**

#### *Critical Role of Volunteers*

The children of Ghar Sita Mutu - House with Heart all have some sort of traumatic background. Either they were abandoned by their parents or orphaned and left to fend for themselves. Many of them have expressed how lucky they are to be a member of the GSM Family and how much they love to meet the volunteers with special skills who travel here who help us out from time to time.

Last year I met Bryce Redmill, a recent graduate of Gloucestershire University in England, who is beginning his career as a sports and music educator with a volunteer stint in Nepal. We made plans for him to spend five months with us.

Bryce arrived this past June and has been a huge help at the House with our children. He tutors our kids before and after school, and he's also very good with the toddlers, having developed a special rapport with our two newest girls Ashika and Ashmita who, once they got used to his height (he's well over 6 feet tall), love to play with him. Our boys especially enjoy their time with Bryce who plays several musical instruments and runs sports programs for our children. He's an excellent male role model which is a critical need at our House.

Bryce also teaches classes in math and English at five different schools in the area, including the one our children attend. This provides him with a good look at the state of education in the area. Many of the teachers in the schools take up teaching because of a lack of other employment opportunities, and he's found their lack of enthusiasm disheartening. In the classroom, Bryce is focusing on getting the students to think for themselves rather than rely on rote learning, which is the typical

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teaching model in Nepal. There's a link on our website to Bryce's reflections on teaching in Nepal.

We are so grateful to Bryce for the time he's spending with us.

Best wishes, Beverly

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