



# Duang Prateep Foundation

## Monthly Newsletter for December 2016

### *Swedish Supporters visit DPF*



On December 8, Mr. Bengt Norman and Ms. Am Sornsakul, benefactors from Sweden, visited the DPF to meet Khru Prateep and update themselves on the foundation's projects. Discussions were also held on possible new activities to develop the children's quality of life in the future.

### **Ho, Ho, Ho, Santa Claus Comes to Town**



At this time every year, children at the Hands Across the Water homes are eagerly anticipating the arrival of Santa Claus ("Tony Love-Linay" to his friends – shhh, it's a secret!). Also on his rounds this year Santa Tony found time to swoop in to the Duang Prateep Kindergarten on December 13 and, drafting in honorary elf, Dominic Bond (HATW partnership manager), he brought joy, gifts and lunch for the kiddies, after they had first welcomed him with popular songs and dances. Similar good cheer and happiness were spread to the children at New Life

Kanchanaburi the following day, before Santa sadly had to leave. "Thank you" Santa for bringing some happiness into the lives of underprivileged children, each year.



## Sailors “Come Aboard” DPF



On December 19, crew members of the Royal Caribbean International Family, sailing under the Azamara Journey flag and led by Mr. Bert Van Middendorp and Ms Emma McIntosh, cruised into the Duang Prateep Foundation and Kindergarten on a mission of goodwill. They were docked at the nearby Klong Toey Port for three days and wanted to learn more about life for the urban poor and to provide some support. The crew undertakes similar activities for charities across the globe, and during their visit with us they provided lunch, gave gifts to the children and elderly residents and toured a part of Klong Toey slum. At the end of the day, we bid the Azamara Journeymen calm seas and fair skies for the rest of their journey – and hope to welcome them back when next they drop anchor in port.



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