

Duang Prateep Foundation Monthly Newsletter for May 2022

Jetting Off to Japan

On 16 May, three of our sponsored students departed for Japan to study at Sendai Ikuei Gakuen High School under scholarships generously provided by the school. The girls, Natthaporn Jirapong, Juthaluk Uthairaj and Noparat Tang-On will be away for three years. In preparation for the trip, Khru Prateep took them to buy some essentials items such as suitcases, warm clothing, etc., which was kindly funded by Willies Orphan Fund of Northern Ireland. Facilitating Ms. Noparat's ability to take up this opportunity, by advising on her legal status, was judge Ms. Wasinee Parkthongsuk, whom we warmly thank. The girls' parents and guardians are absolutely thrilled their children have received this potentially life-changing opportunity.



Aramco Team Series Chips in Support for NLPK

The New Life Project (Kanchanaburi) scored a “hole-in-one” when the Aramco Team Series of the Ladies European Golf Tour made it their partner charity for their Bangkok tournament. On May 12, event organizers invited Khru Prateep and two NLPK girls – *Tong* and *Smile* – to help launch the event at Thai Country Club. After a guided tour of the world-class clubhouse facilities, the girls got into the swing of things with some one-on-one tuition from Thai professionals, Moriya and Ariya Jutanugarn, plus other world class of women golfers. Thank you to Aramco Team Series and the organizers, Performance 54, for their kind support for the New Life Project, and for inviting our youths to a new experience and exciting day out.



students followed, and Mr. Charoen then gave a talk on the benefits of a scholarship to a poor student. To conclude, a representative student expressed the thanks of all 121 scholarship students to the KPMG team.



Siam University's Free Tuition for Poor Students

For 13 years, Siam University has generously granted free scholarships to two poor students each year to study at their institution. This year, to celebrate the opening of a new faculty, the university kindly granted two extra 4-year scholarships. President of Siam University, Dr. Pornchai Mongkhonvanit, and Assistant President, Dr. Nantaporn Damrongpong, and other lecturers were on hand to welcome Khru Prateep and scholarship recipients, Ms. Sarika Klinsawang and Mr. Suphachok Prasertsuk, who will study for a Bachelor of Science in Digital Marketing. (27 May 2022)



A Day in the Life of Khru Prateep

On 1 June, a production team from DW media organization came to Klong Toey to film/interview a day in the life of Khru Prateep. The program is part of a new mini-series called 'Her - Women in Asia' that portrays the lives and perspectives of diverse women from Asia. In each episode, women give their perspectives on universal, existential and crucial topics, such as careers in male-dominated professions, mental health, addiction and marriage. Although significant steps have been made to strengthen women's positions in society, nonetheless, in many parts of Asia substantial hurdles still exist, especially in achieving gender equality. The series aims to contribute to the discourse and to give women in the region a platform to share their voices on the challenges they face and what unites them.

On the day, the cameras were able to capture a typical Prateep day involving activities at the DPF kindergarten, English language classes for young children, a get-together with elderly slum residents, home-visits to bed-ridden community residents, meeting with community leaders, etc. From 2 July, the programs can be accessed on-demand on dw.com, DW's social media channels and on DW TV in six languages: English, Hindi, Mandarin, Indonesian, Urdu and Tamil.



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