



# BERITA MALAYSIA



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## RaonAtti

### First Issue of **BERITA MALAYSIA**



**Today** - 27th day of April 2009, the first 'BERITA MALAYSIA' was launched by Raonatti Malaysia. Raonatti Malaysia team determined to publish this newsletter for better and effective communication with partner organizations in the 21th April daily meeting.

The title of this periodical 'BERITA MALAYSIA' means 'Malaysia News' and it will be published every Monday.

Christine whose major is mass communication took charge of the chief editor of this newsletter and David studying English in his uni-

versity will edit its English version.

It is expected for release of 'BERITA MALAYSIA' to report the news and works to YMCA Korea and YMCA KL regularly, to deliver alien daily life of Raonatti and local news to the families and friends frequently, and to archive our activities systematically for us and next Raonatti. I wish on brisk activities in Malaysia with congratulation on decision of publishing.

by Jeffery



**Jump High~!**

**Fashionistar In Malaysia**



**Getting Fatter, Getting Darker..**

**I Miss You All~!**



**I am still surviving!!**



## I love PASAR MALAM



**Pasar** malam is medicine and street food. held every Monday 6p.m. to 10p.m at Hutan melintang It is similar to Korean traditional market (7day market). And this night market opens all over the nation of Malaysia in different days.

Pasar malam comprises shifting store, which stock anything from household and fresh fruits to folk

Also one of the best advantages of this market might be reasonable prices.



In addition, you could meet Malaysian traditional culture as well as could purchase variety house-

holds in this lovely market.

It is located 3 minute away on foot from our place. Thus every Monday we enjoyed this traditional Malaysian market to buy fruits and foods for a week. At the same time we fortunately feel the true Malaysian local life with this fascinated night market.

by Christine

## Let me introduce my roommate **Trudy**



**We** live with other Bethany volunteer. we met new roommate whose name is Trudy last week. I'd like to introduce our new roommate with Q&A here.



***Please introduce yourself*** My name is Trudy Hooi Wiliam, 22 years old, and from Kota Kinabalu. I came to Bethany home on the 12<sup>th</sup> of April 2009, carrying out my duty as a physiotherapy student to provide physical therapy and rehabilitation to disabled children, meanwhile exposing myself to different environment.

***After staying with us, what do you think of us*** Truthfully, now I think that humanity is getting closer and nationality is not an excuse for being different although our religion or culture is different but we are still able to understand each other, because we want to.

***Please tell me what our strong point is and what our weakness is*** Currently I am only able to say that I envy your pride for your country and your understanding for each members. Since a barrier in communicating in times, and it is still difficult for me to understand each other, sometimes, I'm worrying about that I might do some mistakes.

***Could you tell me the difficulties & strong points as a Chinese-Malaysian*** In my opinion, I think that the difficulties that Chinese Malaysian endures is their advantages, such as Malays always have the majority in decisions, and the government is always giving Malays more supports, this makes the Chinese race to be more united and independent

Thank you. Trudy. Have a good time with us. Nice to meet you again!

by David



# 'Event'



## Picnic to water theme park~



On the 18th of April, The Children's Day sponsored by Kiwanis Club was held in Sunway Lagoon Subang Jaya, which is the biggest water theme park in southeast asia.

Hundreds of children from orphanages, special schools and other youth facilities are invited to this event, including 19 delegates from Bethany Home.

For this event, We Raonatti members took care of 2 children each to ensure their security and safety. The children amused their precious moments, having been disallowed by physical inconvenience, long-distance, and financial difficulty for a long time, with enjoying lots of attractions in the water theme park, such as water slides, big wave pool, artificial beach, boat riding and so on.

After volunteering, Christine commented "It was definitely difficult work to care restless handicapped friends, however I'm very glad to see their lovely smiles and happiness." and added "I hope that more chances will be given to the Bethany Home children for experiencing wider and diverse societies more than instant amusement."



by Jeffrey

## Visiting Group Home



Group home is managed by Bethany Home aiming for the nest of the handicapped in the civil community. There are 4 group homes run by Bethany Home, One is located in Teluk Intan and 3 in Hutan Melintang.

Group homes where 6 to 8 students are living together is situated in the village. And 3 staffs are assisting for the life of the students in each group home.

The students are led a regular life by the timetable. Also they are on duty for cleaning to enhance the independent living abilities by themselves.

Last 16th of April, Raonatti Malaysia, other staffs and foreign volunteers were cordially invited to the group home gathering where all group home families gather together. Bethany Home teachers and other group home students were already there to greet us warmly.

All participants enjoyed together with recreation prepared by Australian volunteers, and group home students and staffs prepared meal and drink for visitors. Everybody joined the program amused himself with nice program and food.

by Kim

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## You all are the **CHAMPION!!**



**Last** April 26, the Special Olympics was held at Majlis Perbandaram in Teluk intan. Special Olympic is one of the biggest events in Bethany Home, and all teachers and students have prepared this event for three months.



Seven schools including Bethany Home took part in this Special Olympic. Parents of students and celebrities were present, so there were throngs in the playground.

At 2 p.m. the Special Olympic started. Students entered into sports ground in a low with marching of a band. The color of uniform was green which was symbol of activeness. After ending opening ceremony, the first 100m running started. Sports events were 50m, 100m, 200m running, 4x100 relay, 25m walking, shot-putting, and long jump.

The International Special Olympic Oath is 'Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt'. The meaning of Special Olympic is not to win and to classify color of medals, but to participate and to try it. Nobody focus on only the winner. They clapped their hands in applause all students who passed the finish line.

Especially, when 100x4m relay game started, all people watched the game breathlessly

standing up to cheer their team. All eyes were turned on racers on the sports ground.

Another noticeable game was '25m walking'. Someone might ask a question in return; How 'walking' could be in Olympic? But they were the physically disabled who can't walk easily. They could not run as fast as the athletes. However, they was so admirable by itself.

After finishing each game, all students were awarded medals. Although it was not real medal, it was enough for students to feel their accomplishment.



Mr. Jayasingh in charge of Special Olympic, said that he was so delight at the fact which is all BH students participated in Special Olympics. Here with, he said that Special Olympic could finish successfully thanks to all teachers, volunteers and donors who worked together for Special Olympics.

**by Sandy**

What is "Special Olympics?"

Special Olympics is an international NGO dedicated to empowering individuals with intellectual. Special Olympics currently serves 2.5 million people with intellectual disabilities in over 180 countries. Special Olympics conducts the Special Olympics World Games every two years, alternating between Summer and Winter Games.

(If you want more information, [www.specialolympic.org](http://www.specialolympic.org))