

DON'T FORGET!

Don't forget to book for the fundraising dinner on Friday 30 May 7pm at the Hume Global Learning Centre, Broadmeadows. The guest speaker will be the Publisher of The Dili Weekly, Emanuel Braz, who will speak about the role of the media in Timor-Leste. There will be a Middle Eastern Banquet with drinks included, a raffle and live music from the Mystic Trio. Ticket are \$50 each. Contact Richard Brown on 0407 091 004 or at rbrown@moreland.vic.gov.au

Moreland Mayor and Hume councillor visit Aileu

The Mayor of Moreland, Cr Lambros Tapinos, and the Chair of the Friends of Aileu Community Committee, Hume councillor, Cr Helen Patsikatheodorou, visited Aileu between 28 April and 3 May. They were accompanied by the Friends of Aileu Project Coordinator, Richard Brown

While in Aileu, they met with District officials and representatives of local organisations which Friends of Aileu and its partners support.



The District Administrator, Sr Martinho Matos (c), with the certificate of appreciation.

To commemorate the 14th anniversary of the friendship relationship, they presented the Aileu District Administrator with a commemorative plaque and a certificate of appreciation.

While in Aileu, they also visited the Laulara Birthing Centre, the Aileu Resource and Training Centre,

the Uma Ita Nian Parish Clinic, the St Francis of Assisi Disability Workshop, the District Health Clinic, and the Cristal Institute, They also had meetings with District health officials, teachers and scholarship students, and the Deputy Police Commander for Aileu.



Staff at the Aileu Resource & Training Centre, (l-r) Maria Diamantina Martins, Guida Pereira and Sister Rosalva Sandi

While in Aileu, they gave the District Health Director a box of medical equipment donated to the Laulara Birthing Centre by Merri Community Health Services, and four soccer balls donated to Aileu Rotaract by the Greenvale Rotary Club in Hume.

In Dili, the delegation met with senior government officials and had briefings on local development and the progress towards elected municipal government. They also met with the President of the Alola Foundation and the wife of the Timor-Leste Prime Minister, Kirsty Sword Gusmão, and the Australian Ambassador to Timor-Leste, Peter Doyle. ...2/.

Oral Health Team in Aileu

Dr Martin Hall and his team have again visited Aileu to continue the work of the Aileu Oral Health Program.

This time he was accompanied by Dental Nurse, Sally Vong and two recently-graduated Oral Therapists, Rooni Lai and Hieu Tran.

During the visit they worked with local dental staff, Senior Dental Nurse Manuel Soares and Dental Nurse Maria Santana. They ran a number of clinics for the local community and oral health screening for students at Malere Primary School.



Preparing a patient for treatment at the Dental Clinic

Children's Art Show opens at Moreland

On 14 May, the Mayor of Moreland, Cr Lambros Tapinos, opened an exhibition of children's art from Moreland and Aileu at

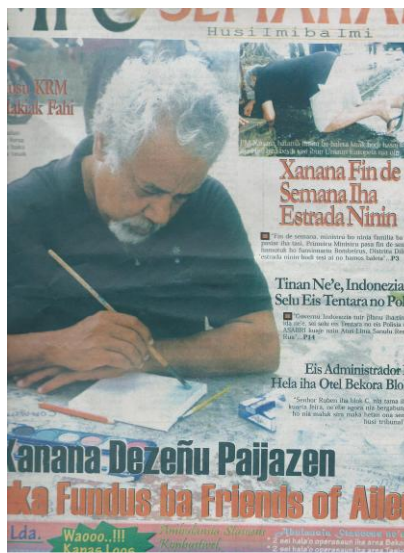
the Coburg Town Hall Art Space. The forty works were done by students at Brunswick North West Primary School and Sarlala Primary school in Aileu on the themes of 'my school - games I like to play and 'my family'.



Moreland Mayor, Cr Lambros Tapinos and Richard Brown, with students from BNWPS at the opening.

When he was in Aileu, the Project Coordinator, Richard Brown, gave the principal of Sarlala an album of the works done by the Brunswick students, together with letters from them in English and Tetum.

Xanana's painting arrives!



Xanana doing the painting

The small landscape painting, done especially by the Timor-Leste Prime Minister Xanana Gusmão for the Friends of Aileu, has arrived in Melbourne.

It has been mounted and framed, free of charge, by the PG Printmaker Gallery in Fitzroy

The painting was front page news in the Dili newspaper *Tempo Semanal*, with a photo of Xanana doing the painting.

The painting will be offered for auction at the Friends of Aileu Trivia Night at the Coburg Town Hall on 29 August.



The painting by Xanana

For more information about Friends of Aileu, visit our web pages at:

www.moreland.vic.gov.au - (go to Friendship Cities), or www.hume.vic.gov.au (go to About Council), or contact: Richard Brown, Project Coordinator
Mobile: 0407 091 004,
Email rbrown@moreland.vic.gov.au