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Introduction

The St Kilda Rotary Club is currently working on a project that involves the production of a recipe book with recipes contributed by local restaurateurs.

The proceeds from the sale of this book are to be donated locally to the Sacred Heart Mission and internationally to ShelterBox.

Information about the publication

58 restaurants contributing recipes from the Melbourne Bayside area, the publication will be full colour with over 3,000 copies produced. The book is due for public release in early November and will retail for \$14.95.

Project Co-ordinator, Julia Topliss says: *"The project has proven to be an exciting phenomenon with many people within the local community embracing the concept including sponsors (please see below), participating restaurants & cafes, trading associations and individuals. I can easily see that this project can become a regular part of the St Kilda landscape and continue to support organisations like Sacred Heart Mission & ShelterBox. It has been a long time since our community has seen a project that brings so many people together for a really good cause and has the potential to raise significant funds to impact the lives of people in our immediate community as well as overseas. Additionally the book is a true celebration of our local cafes & restaurants and promotes the diverse range of food that they offer."*

Julia Topliss is a St Kilda based resident and business owner who recently became a member of the St Kilda Rotary Club. *"I joined Rotary because I wanted to join an organisation where I could contribute my skills to make a difference and not just make a monthly financial donation. This is my first project with Rotary and I never would have believed that I could have so much fun making a real difference in my community. Joining Rotary and working on this project has allowed me to connect with people I would not normally meet in my neighborhood, as well as develop friendships with a group of people who have similar values and community spirit - together I feel we have created something really special with this recipe book, and I believe it will be something that a wide range of people can enjoy and benefit from in different ways."*

Dedication to Donlevy Fitzpatrick

The recipe book is dedicated to Donlevy Fitzpatrick, a local restaurateur who created the Dog's Bar in the late 80's and then restored The George - two of St Kilda's iconic landmarks. He was also responsible for tackling the Victorian liquor licensing laws so that food establishments could serve food & wine in informal

settings including street fronts and footpaths - something that we take for granted these days as an integral part of Melbourne. "Unfortunately Donlevy passed away earlier this year and we felt that it was fitting to pay homage to his contribution to the Melbourne food and wine scene by dedicating this publication to him." Julia says; "The St Kilda Rotary Club felt that as business people, they should take the opportunity to recognise a remarkable man whose business vision has had such an impact on the cafe, bar and restaurant industry and especially the St Kilda area."

About the Charities

The Sacred Heart Mission provides support including the provision of meals, crisis support, health & personal care in the St Kilda area. Last year the Sacred Heart Mission served 137,099 meals in their dining hall. In addition to providing nutritious 3-course meals, the Dining Hall gives isolated people opportunities to develop friendships and a sense of connection with the local community.

ShelterBox is a Rotary International organisation that provides disaster relief in the form of a box that contains a 10 person tent and living implements for a prolonged period of time. Recent deployments include Haiti after Hurricane Gustav, Nepal after severe flooding, Burma after Cyclone Nargis and China after the earthquake. (Please visit their website, www.shelterbox.org for more information including hi-res images.)

Current Project Sponsors

Gold Sponsors: Elwood Community Bendigo Bank, Red Scooter, Rotary International

Silver Sponsors: City of Port Phillip, St Kilda Melbourne Traders Group, Panomatics, Web Prophets

Bronze Sponsors: Donovan's, Kraft, Megabus Pty Ltd, St Kilda Village Traders Group

How to Purchase

Counter Displays

Most participating restaurants will display copies for sale

Local shops to display Recipe Books

(currently Chronicles & Fitzroy St Newsagents)

Sales from Recipe Book blog (www.relishrecipes.com.au)

Sunday 9th November

Camberwell Market, Camberwell

Saturday 6th December

Veg Out St Kilda's Farmer's Market, Peanut Farm Reserve

Sunday 14th December

Camberwell Market, Camberwell

Saturday 20th December
Gasworks Farmer's Market, Gasworks Arts Park