



January 2009 Newsletter

Events:

Gaza Rally – Saturday 10 January. Friends of Palestine WA is holding a rally in Fremantle and is calling for everyone who wants to express their anger and sorrow over Israel's continuing assault on the citizens of Gaza to join them. Friends of Palestine WA is calling for an immediate end to the Israeli military assault, the lifting of the siege of Gaza, and an end to the occupation of Palestine.

Each and every person, each and every State, should have the right to natural justice, the right to liberty, peace and security. For sixty years the Palestinian people have had their rights denied while the mainstream international media has distorted their rights and arguments with an almost fanatical prejudice. Fair and equitable mutually agreed territories with agreed international borders seem the only path to any real solution.

**RALLY & MARCH FOR THE PEOPLE OF GAZA - LIFT THE SIEGE, STOP THE MASSACRE, HUMANITARIAN AID NOW
THE ESPLANADE PARK, FREMANTLE**

Gather from 12.00pm – speeches from prominent speakers begin at 12.30pm. The rally will be followed by a march through the streets of Fremantle.

There is further information about the current conflict in Gaza, provided by the FOPWA, on the SWB website news page. [Read it here.](#)

Youth Tree – Wednesday 14 January & Tuesday 20 January. Youth Tree is a creative collaboration to grow and strengthen relationships between young people, and non-profit organisations that involve and empower young people. It is aimed at propelling people into volunteering of just about any kind through their participation in two incredible days.

Day One (14 January), held at the Moores Building, Fremantle, aims to network volunteer organisations and young people through their participation in building a 3 meter high tree sculpture out of industry and household waste. This creative and fun activity, coupled with inspiring guest speakers, will create a positive, open environment in which participants can interact, discuss volunteering opportunities, and sign up to volunteer with an organisation on the spot.

On Day Two (20 January), the tree sculpture will be placed in the middle of Murray Street Mall, where participants from Day One will engage the public by discussing thought-provoking questions about solutions to the world's problems with them. Responses to the questions will be drawn, painted and written on 'leaves' of re-used material as a means of seeding socially oriented thinking in the broader community. Organisations will also be present to raise their profiles and recruit the passers by intrigued by the tree.

News/Updates

SWB is setting up a new office in Rockingham. If you live in the Rockingham area and would like to get more involved with SWB, please contact Vicky – swb@guild.murdoch.edu.au

Volunteering/Paid Opportunities:

RSPCA Work Experience

The fundraising department at RSPCE is putting together a magazine which will go to print in late February. It will be a glossy magazine with a print run of around 30,000. In order to make it a success they need to put in a substantial amount of information.

They need the help of a work experience student with a marketing background who would like to be involved with the editing of this magazine. Their main role will be to edit information provided by other departments to maintain a high and consistent standard throughout the magazine. They will be working closely with our fundraising manager so will have the opportunity to learn about the challenges a charitable organisation confront in this financial climate.

For more information please contact Pauline Green by phone on 9209 9341 or via email - paulinekay@rspcawa.asn.au. Pauline is overseeing this project and will be happy to discuss her requirements with you.

8Ball Computer Recycling Program

Do you have good IT skills? Can you spare a couple of hours each week to help refurbish computers? The 8Ball Computer Recycling Program needs you!

We are currently preparing to send up to 500 computers overseas and need as many volunteers as possible to help us achieve our goal. If you can help please contact Vicky Edwards – swb@guild.murdoch.edu.au

We also need more computers – if you have any surplus computers that you are willing to donate to the 8Ball Program, please contact Vicky Edwards – swb@guild.murdoch.edu.au Computers must be no more than 5 years old, monitors must be minimum 17” and in good working condition.



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