

## “Pennies from heaven” Freemasons NZ’s \$30,000 Donation for Camps for Children in Grandparent Care



It was a night of entertainment and enlightenment at the North Shore Freemason’s black tie charity dinner on Friday 29 July 2016, complete with the Fawly Towers crew in the kitchen creating a ruckus followed by a poignant and inspiring key-note speech from award winning broadcaster Amanda Gillies as ambassador for Foster Hope.

Raising money for children in grandparent care to attend school holiday camps was their objective. As the North Shore Freemason’s Lodge cheque of \$15,000 was presented to Grandparent’s Raising Grandchildren Trust NZ’s Communications and Business Development Manager, Kate Bundle; in a wonderful surprise it was generously doubled on the spot by Chairman David Mace on behalf of the Freemason’s Charity Foundation.



Speaking with Gerard Smith on Face TV’s the Beat Goes On (NZ’s longest running chat show) GRG Founder and Executive Trustee, Diane Vivian described the Freemason’s donation to Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Trust NZ as “pennies from heaven” for 100 grandchildren in grandparent care.

This wonderful support from the Freemasons means that 100 grandchildren will be able to attend school holiday camps at the YMCA Shakespeare Lodge providing a fantastic experience for the children and much needed respite for their grandparent caregivers.

Our sincere gratitude on behalf of the children and their caregivers who will benefit from these funds to the North Shore Freemasons, the Freemason’s Charity Foundation and to Foster Hope for their fantastic efforts and contribution to this initiative.

The Beat Goes On interview can be viewed [here](#) or by clicking on the image below.

